

1926-27.

THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA  
CANBERRA.

No. 108.

## VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

## HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

WEDNESDAY, 12TH OCTOBER, 1927.

1. The House met, at three o'clock p.m., pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker (the Honorable Sir Littleton Groom) took the Chair, and read Prayers.
2. PAPERS.—The following Papers were presented, pursuant to Statute—
  - Canned Fruit Bounty Act—Return for 1926-27.
  - Cotton Bounty Act—Return for 1926-27.
  - Defence Act—Control of Defence Areas Regulations—Statutory Rules 1927, No. 109.
  - Export Guarantee Act—Return showing assistance granted up to 30th September, 1927.
  - Iron and Steel Products Bounty Act—Return for 1926-27.
  - Papua and New Guinea Bounties Act—Return for 1926-27.
  - Power Alcohol Bounty Act—Return for 1926-27.
  - Shale Oil Bounty Act—Return for 1926-27.
  - Sulphur Bounty Act—Return for 1926-27.
3. PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE—REFERENCE OF WORK—EXTENSION OF MAIL-HANDLING APPLIANCES, SYDNEY GENERAL POST OFFICE.—Mr. Hill (Minister for Works and Railways) moved, pursuant to notice, That, in accordance with the provisions of the *Commonwealth Public Works Committee Act 1913-21*, the following work be referred to the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Public Works for investigation and report, viz.:—Sydney General Post Office—Extension of the Installation of Mail-Handling Appliances.  
Question—put and passed.
4. PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE—REFERENCE OF WORK—MAROUBRA, NEW SOUTH WALES—AUTOMATIC TELEPHONE EXCHANGE.—Mr. Hill (Minister for Works and Railways) moved, pursuant to notice, That, in accordance with the provisions of the *Commonwealth Public Works Committee Act 1913-21*, the following work be referred to the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Public Works for investigation and report:—Maroubra, New South Wales—Automatic Telephone Exchange.  
Mr. Hill having laid on the Table plan, &c., in connexion with the proposed work—  
Debate ensued.  
Question—put and passed.
5. PORT AUGUSTA TO RED HILL RAILWAY BILL.—The Order of the Day having been read for the second reading—Mr. Hill (Minister for Works and Railways) moved, That the Bill be now read a second time.  
Mr. Charlton moved, That the debate be now adjourned.  
Question—That the debate be now adjourned—put and passed.  
Ordered—That the resumption of the debate be made an Order of the Day for the next sitting.
6. COMMONWEALTH BANK (SAVINGS BANK) BILL.—The Order of the Day having been read for the resumption of the debate on the question, That the Bill be now read a second time—  
Debate resumed.  
Mr. Yates, addressing the House, and not having concluded his speech, the House ordered that the honorable Member have leave to continue his speech when the debate is resumed.  
Ordered—That the debate be now adjourned, and that the resumption of the debate be made an Order of the Day for the next sitting.

12th October, 1927.

7. MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.—LOAN BILL (No. 2) (1927).—Mr. Speaker announced the receipt of the following Message from the Senate :—

MR. SPEAKER,

Message No. 99.

The Senate returns to the House of Representatives the Bill for "*An Act to authorize the Raising and Expending of certain Sums of Money*," and acquaints the House that the Senate has agreed to the Bill without amendment.

The Senate,  
Canberra, 12th October, 1927.

JOHN NEWLANDS,  
President.

8. ADJOURNMENT.—Mr. Bruce (Prime Minister) moved, That the House do now adjourn.  
Debate ensued.  
Question—put and passed.

And then the House, at five minutes past ten o'clock p.m., adjourned until to-morrow at half-past two o'clock p.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT.—All Members were present (at some time during the sitting) except—Mr. Anstey, Mr. Bell, Mr. Blakeley, Mr. Bowden\*, Mr. Donald Cameron, Mr. Albert Green, Sir Neville Howse\*, Mr. Hurry, Mr. Lacey, Mr. Lambert, Mr. Latham, Mr. Lazzarini, Mr. Ley\*, Mr. Makin, Mr. W. Maloney, Mr. Mann, Mr. Parker Moloney, Mr. Parsons, Mr. Stewart, and Mr. Thompson.

\* On leave.

E. W. PARKES,  
Clerk-Assistant, House of Representatives.