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THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA.
CANBERRA.

No. 174.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

FRIDAY, 18TH MAY, 1928.

1. The House met, at eleven o'clock a.m., pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker (the Honorable Sir Littleton Groom) took the Chair, and read Prayers.
2. PAPER.—The following Paper was presented, pursuant to Statute—
Public Service Act—Appointment of A. C. White, Home and Territories Department.
3. THE LATE HONORABLE HERBERT EDWARD PRATTEN.—Mr. Speaker informed the House that he had received from Mr. H. G. Pratten, a son of the late Honorable Herbert Edward Pratten, a letter, on behalf of his mother, thanking the House for its resolution of sympathy.
4. MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.—DRIED FRUITS BILL.—Mr. Speaker announced the receipt of the following Message from the Senate :—

MR. SPEAKER,

Message No. 132.

The Senate returns to the House of Representatives the Bill for "*An Act relating to Trade and Commerce with other Countries and among the States in certain Dried Fruits*," and acquaints the House that the Senate has agreed to the Bill with the Amendments indicated by the annexed Schedule, in which Amendments the Senate requests the concurrence of the House of Representatives.

JOHN NEWLANDS,
President.The Senate,
Canberra, 17th May, 1928.

Ordered—That the foregoing Message be taken into consideration in Committee, of the whole House, at a later hour this day.

5. CONCILIATION AND ARBITRATION BILL (No. 2) (1927).—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. Hughes addressing the House and not having concluded his speech at the termination of the time allowed by Standing Order No. 257A—the Right Honorable Member was given leave to continue his speech.
Mr. Gregory 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. MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.—WINE EXPORT BOUNTY BILL (1928).—Mr. Speaker announced the receipt of the following Message from the Senate :—

MR. SPEAKER,

Message No. 133.

The Senate returns to the House of Representatives the Bill for "*An Act to amend section five of the 'Wine Export Bounty Act 1924-1927'*," and acquaints the House that the Senate has agreed to the Bill without amendment.

JOHN NEWLANDS,
President.The Senate,
Canberra, 18th May, 1928.

7. COMMONWEALTH EMPLOYEES' COMPENSATION BILL.—The Order of the Day having been read for the second reading—Mr. Earle Page (Treasurer) moved, That the Bill be now read a second time.
Mr. Lacey 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.

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8. MESSAGE FROM THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL.—AUSTRALIAN BRITISH EMPIRE EXHIBITION BILL.—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor-General was presented, and the same was read by Mr. Speaker :—

STONEHAVEN,
Governor-General.

Message No. 98.

In accordance with the requirements of section 56 of the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Australia, the Governor-General recommends to the House of Representatives that an appropriation of revenue be made for the purposes of a Bill for an Act to authorize the holding of an Exhibition in Australia.

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Ordered—That the foregoing Message be taken into consideration, in Committee of the whole House, forthwith.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole.

(In the Committee.)

Mr. Bruce (Prime Minister) moved, That it is expedient that an appropriation of revenue be made for the purposes of a Bill for an Act to authorize the holding of an Exhibition in Australia.

Question—put and passed.

Resolution to be reported.

The House resumed ; Mr. Bayley reported accordingly.

Mr. Bruce moved, pursuant to contingent notice, That the Standing Orders be suspended, to enable the remaining stages to be passed without delay.

Question—put and passed.

The Resolution reported from the Committee was read, and, on the motion of Mr. Bruce, was adopted by the House.

Ordered—That Mr. Bruce and Mr. Latham do prepare and bring in a Bill to carry out the foregoing Resolution.

Mr. Bruce then brought up the Bill accordingly, and moved, That it be now read a first time.

Question—put and passed.—Bill read a first time.

Ordered—That the second reading be made an Order of the Day for a later hour this day.

9. DRIED FRUITS BILL.—SENATE'S AMENDMENTS.—The Order of the Day having been read for the consideration in Committee of the whole House of the Amendments made by the Senate in this Bill—Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole.

(In the Committee.)

The Committee proceeded to consider the Amendments made by the Senate, which are as follow :—

SCHEDULE OF THE AMENDMENTS MADE BY THE SENATE.

No. 1.—Page 2, clause 3, line 19, after "Where" insert "the Minister on report by".

No. 2.—Page 2, clause 3, line 22, leave out "prescribed authority", insert "Minister".

On the motion of Mr. Thomas Paterson (Minister for Markets), the Amendments were agreed to, after debate.

Resolution to be reported.

The House resumed ; Mr. Bayley reported accordingly.

On the motion of Mr. Thomas Paterson, the House adopted the Report.

10. AUSTRALIAN BRITISH EMPIRE EXHIBITION BILL.—The Order of the Day having been read for the second reading—Mr. Bruce (Prime Minister) moved, That the Bill be now read a second time.

Mr. Edward Riley 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.

11. 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 four o'clock p.m., adjourned until Tuesday next at three o'clock p.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT.—All Members were present (at some time during the sitting) except—Mr. Anstey, Mr. Bell, Mr. Bowden, Mr. Coleman, Mr. Corser, Mr. Grosvenor Francis, Mr. Jackson, Mr. Lambert, Mr. Ley, Mr. W. Maloney, Mr. Mann, Mr. Maxwell, Mr. Nelson, Mr. Parkhill, Mr. Theodore, Mr. Thompson, and Mr. Watt.

E. W. PARKES,

Clerk of the House of Representatives.