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THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA,
CANBERRA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

No. 71.

WEDNESDAY, 16TH JULY, 1930.

1. The House met, at half-past two o'clock p.m., pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker (the Honorable Norman J. O. Makin) took the Chair, and offered Prayers.
2. DISCHARGE OF ORDER OF THE DAY.—The following Order of the Day, General Business—
Tobacco-growing Industry in Australia—Select Committee—Report—Motion for Printing Paper—Resumption of debate upon the motion of Mr. Thompson, That the Report be printed—
was, by leave, called on, and on the motion of Mr. Thompson, was discharged.
3. ALTERATION OF HOUR OF NEXT MEETING.—Mr. Scullin (Prime Minister) moved, That the House, at its rising, adjourn until eleven o'clock a.m. to-morrow.
Question—put and passed.
4. WAYS AND MEANS [CUSTOMS AND EXCISE TARIFF AMENDMENT, SPECIAL CUSTOMS DUTY, AND PRIMAGE DUTY].—The House, according to order, resolved itself into the Committee of Ways and Means.

(In the Committee.)

- [See (a) proposed Resolutions for Customs and Excise Tariff Amendment of the 19th June, 1930 (pages 211-262), which includes Items in the proposed Customs Tariff Resolutions of the 21st November, 1929 (pages 12-41), and the 11th December, 1929 (pages 73-78), and also includes the proposed Excise Tariff Resolutions of the 21st November, 1929 (pages 42-43), 22nd November, 1929 (pages 46-47), 12th March, 1930 (page 95), and 26th March, 1930 (page 113);
(b) proposed Resolutions for Customs and Excise Tariff Amendment of the 9th July, 1930 (pages 294-295);
(c) proposed Resolutions for Special Customs Duty of the 3rd April, 1930 (pages 125-127), and of the 19th June, 1930 (pages 262-264); and
(d) proposed Resolution for a Primage Duty of the 9th July, 1930 (page 296).]

General debate ensued on the first Item of the Customs Tariff.

Mr. Gregory moved, as an amendment to the first paragraph of the proposed Resolution of the 19th June, 1930, viz. :—That the Schedule to the *Customs Tariff* 1921-1930 be amended as hereunder set out, and that on and after the twentieth day of June, One thousand nine hundred and thirty, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, reckoned according to standard time in the Territory for the Seat of Government, Duties of Customs be collected in pursuance of the Customs Tariff as so amended—

That after the word "That" (first occurring) the following words be inserted :—“consideration of the Tariff be postponed with a view to determining what action is advisable with a view of granting relief to the producers and people of Western Australia whose progress and prosperity are seriously imperilled by the high tariff policy of the Commonwealth.”

Debate continued.

Progress to be reported, and leave asked to sit again.

The House resumed; Mr. McGrath reported accordingly.

Resolved—That the House will, at the next sitting, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

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5. MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.—CENSUS AND STATISTICS BILL (1930).—Mr. Speaker announced the receipt of the following Message from the Senate :—

MR. SPEAKER,

Message No. 37.

The Senate returns to the House of Representatives the Bill for “ *An Act to amend the ‘Census and Statistics Act 1905–1920’* ”, and acquaints the House that the Senate has agreed to the Bill without amendment.

The Senate,
Canberra, 16th July, 1930.

WALTER KINGSMILL,
President.

6. ADJOURNMENT.—Mr. Fenton (Minister for Trade and Customs) moved, That the House do now adjourn.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and passed.

And then the House, at twenty-six minutes past ten o'clock p.m., adjourned until to-morrow at eleven o'clock a.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT.—All Members were present (at some time during the sitting) except—Mr. Bayley, Mr. Chifley, Mr. Coleman*, Mr. Gibbons, Mr. Guy, Mr. Hughes, Mr. Killen*, Mr. W. Maloney, Mr. Marks, Mr. Mathews*, Mr. Theodore, and Mr. West.

* On leave.

E. W. PARKES,
Clerk of the House of Representatives.