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THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA,
CANBERRA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

No. 144.

FRIDAY, 15TH MAY, 1931.

1. The House met, at half-past ten o'clock a.m., pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker (the Honorable Norman J. O. Makin) took the Chair, and offered Prayers.
2. WAYS AND MEANS [CUSTOMS TARIFF AMENDMENT (No. 9) AND EXCISE TARIFF AMENDMENT (No. 9)].—The House, according to order, resolved itself into the Committee of Ways and Means.

(In the Committee.)

[See proposed Resolutions for Customs and Excise Tariff Amendment of the 26th March, 1931 (pages 508-569).]

Item numbered 73 debated—

Question—That the Item be agreed to—put.

The Committee divided (The Chairman, Mr. McGrath, in the Chair)—

Ayes, 33.

Mr. Anstey	Mr. Lyons
Mr. Beasley	Mr. Makin
Mr. Blakeley	Mr. W. Maloney
Mr. Brennan	Mr. Martens
Mr. Chifley	Mr. Parker Moloney
Mr. Coleman	Mr. Edward Riley
Mr. Crouch	Mr. Rowe
Mr. Cunningham	Mr. Scullin
Mr. Cusack	Mr. Theodore
Mr. Fenton	Mr. Tully
Mr. Forde	Mr. Ward
Mr. Frost	Mr. Watkins
Mr. Gibbons	Mr. White
Mr. Albert Green	
Mr. Holloway	
Mr. Keane	
Mr. Lewis	
Mr. Long	

Tellers:

Mr. Jones
Mr. E. C. Riley

Noes, 21.

Mr. Bell	Mr. Morgan
Mr. Donald Cameron	Mr. Nairn
Mr. Bernard Corser	Mr. Parkhill
Mr. Josiah Francis	Mr. Thomas Paterson
Mr. Gabb	Mr. Price
Mr. Roland Green	Mr. Prowse
Mr. Gregory	Mr. Stewart
Mr. Gullett	
Mr. Hill	
Mr. Mackay	
Mr. Marr	
Mr. Maxwell	

Tellers:

Mr. Bayley
Mr. Gardner

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Item numbered 74 agreed to.

Item numbered 78, viz. :—

	British Preferential Tariff.	Intermediate Tariff.	General Tariff.
78. By omitting the whole of sub-item (D) and inserting in its stead the following sub-item :—			
“ (D) Unshelled, n.e.i. - - - - - per lb.	2d.	2d.	3d.”
By omitting the whole of sub-item (E) and inserting in its stead the following sub-item :—			
“ (E) Kernels n.e.i., Pastes n.e.i., and Meals - - - per lb.	4d.	4d.	6d.”
By adding a new sub-item (G) as follows :—			
“ (G) Peanut Butter - - - - - per lb.	8d.	8d.	1s.”
By adding a new sub-item (H) as follows :—			
“ (H) Almonds, viz. :—			
(1) Unshelled, and Kernels n.e.i. - - - per lb.	4d.	4d.	6d.
(2) Kernels as prescribed by Departmental By-laws -	Free	Free	Free.”

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Debate ensued.

On the motion of Mr. Forde (Minister for Trade and Customs), the Item was amended by inserting the following after sub-item (E) :—

“ By omitting the whole of sub-item (F) and inserting in its stead the following sub-item :—

	British Preferential Tariff.	Intermediate Tariff.	General Tariff.
(F) Peanuts, unshelled	2d.	3d.	4d '.

On the motion of Mr. Forde, the Item was further amended by adding the following to sub-item (H) :—

	British Preferential Tariff.	Intermediate Tariff.	General Tariff.
(H) Almonds, viz. :—			
(1) Unshelled	4d.	4d.	6d.
(2) Kernels for use in the manufacture of marzipan, as prescribed by Departmental By-laws	Free	Free	Free
(3) Kernels, n.e.i.	6d.	6d.	9d.
(3) Kernels, n.e.i. And on and after 1st January, 1934	9d.	9d.	1s."

Item, as amended, agreed to.

Item numbered 79 agreed to.

Item numbered 80 debated and agreed to.

Item numbered 82 debated and agreed to.

Item numbered 85 debated and agreed to.

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.

3. ADJOURNMENT.—Mr. Scullin (Prime Minister) moved, That the House do now adjourn.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and passed.

And then the House, at fifteen 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. Malcolm Cameron, Mr. Culley, Mr. Eldridge, Mr. Guy, Mr. Hawker, Mr. Hughes, Mr. James, Mr. Killen, Mr. Latham, Mr. Lazzarini, Mr. Marks, Mr. Mathews, Mr. McNeill, Mr. Earle Page, Mr. Riordan, and Mr. Thompson.

E. W. PARKES,

Clerk of the House of Representatives.