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THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA,  
CANBERRA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

No. 193.

THURSDAY, 8TH OCTOBER, 1931.

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. DEATH OF GENERAL SIR JOHN MONASH.—Mr. Scullin (Prime Minister) having announced, with deep regret, the death, that day, of Sir John Monash, moved, by leave, That this House expresses its deep regret at the death of General Sir John Monash, G.C.M.G., K.C.B., V.D., places on record its appreciation of his meritorious public service, and tenders its profound sympathy to his daughter and other relatives in their bereavement.  
And Mr. Lyons (Leader of the Opposition) having seconded the motion, and other Members having addressed the House in support thereof, and all Members present having risen in silence—  
Question—passed.  
Resolved—That Mr. Speaker be requested to transmit to Mrs. Gershon Bennett, daughter of the late Sir John Monash, the foregoing Resolution, together with a copy of the speeches delivered thereon.
3. MINISTERIAL STATEMENT—LOANS TO LOCAL BODIES FOR PUBLIC WORKS.—Mr. Scullin (Prime Minister), by leave, made a Ministerial Statement with regard to Loans by the Commonwealth Bank to Local Bodies for Public Works.
4. PAPERS.—The following Paper was presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor-General—  
Tariff Board—Report and Recommendation—Cotton Yarns classifiable under 1930 proposed Tariff Item 392 (A) (2).  
Ordered to lie on the Table, and to be printed.  
The following Paper was presented, pursuant to Statute—  
New Guinea Act—Ordinance of 1931—No. 30—Native Labour.
5. WAYS AND MEANS [CUSTOMS TARIFF AMENDMENTS (NOS. 9, 10 AND 11) AND EXCISE TARIFF AMENDMENTS (NOS. 9 AND 10)].—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 Amendments of the 26th March, 1931 (pages 508-569), and of the 29th July, 1931 (pages 780-2).]

8th October, 1931.

Item numbered 291, viz. :—

	British Preferential Tariff.	Intermediate Tariff.	General Tariff.
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(H) Timber, undressed, n.e.i., viz. :— Other—			
(1) In sizes of 12 inches x 10 inches (or its equivalent) and over per 100 super. feet	10s. 6d.	10s. 6d.	12s. 6d.
(2) In sizes of 7 inches x 2½ inches (or its equivalent) and upwards, and less than 12 inches x 10 inches (or its equivalent) per 100 super. feet	12s.	12s.	14s.
(3) In sizes less than 7 inches x 2½ inches (or its equivalent) per 100 super. feet	13s. 6d.	13s. 6d.	15s. 6d.
(I) (1) Timber, undressed, n.e.i., in sizes not less than 4 inches in width and not less than 3 inches in thickness for the manufacture of boxes, as prescribed by Departmental By-laws - - - per 100 super. feet	1s.	1s.	1s.
(2) Timber, undressed, cut to size for making boxes - - - per 100 super. feet	12s.	12s.	12s.
(J) Timber, for making boxes, being cut to size, and dressed or partly dressed per 100 super. feet	14s.	14s.	14s.
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(L) Timber, dressed or moulded, n.e.i.; Timber tongued or grooved or tongued and grooved; Weatherboards per 100 super. feet	22s.	22s.	24s.
Provided that the rate of duty payable on timber classifiable under this sub-item which was reported in accordance with Paragraph (a) of Section 64 of the Customs Act 1901-1930 before the 20th March, 1930, and which was in licensed Customs warehouse on the 31st December, 1930, shall be per 100 super. feet 12s. (British Preferential Tariff) 14s. (Intermediate Tariff) and 20s. (General Tariff).			
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further considered.

Sub-item (H)—

Mr. Parkhill moved, That the sub-item be amended by adding the following :—

	British Preferential Tariff.	Intermediate Tariff.	General Tariff.
" And on and after 9th October, 1931 (H) Timber, undressed, viz. :— Douglas Fir ( <i>Pseudotsuga Douglasii</i> )—			
(1) In sizes of 12 inches x 6 inches (or its equivalent) and over (a) For use underground for mining purposes as prescribed by Departmental By-law -	Free	Free	Free
(b) Other per 100 super. feet	8s.	8s.	8s.
(2) In sizes of 7 inches x 2½ inches (or its equivalent) and upwards, and less than 12 inches x 6 inches (or its equivalent) per 100 super. feet	9s. 6d.	9s. 6d.	9s. 6d.
(3) In sizes less than 7 inches x 2½ inches (or its equivalent) per 100 super. feet	11s.	11s.	11s."

Debate ensued.

Closure.—Mr. Gullett moved, That the question be now put.

Question—That the question be now put—put.

8th October, 1931.

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

Ayes, 47.		Noes, 6.
Mr. Blakeley	Mr. Long	Mr. Culley
Mr. Brennan	Mr. Lyons	Mr. Hawker
Mr. Malcolm Cameron	Mr. Mackay	Mr. Morgan
Mr. Chifley	Mr. W. Maloney	Mr. Yates
Mr. Crouch	Mr. Marks	
Mr. Cunningham	Mr. Marr	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. Curtin	Mr. Maxwell	Mr. Gabb
Mr. Cusack	Mr. McNeill	Mr. Parkhill
Mr. Fenton	Mr. Parker Moloney	
Mr. Forde	Mr. Nairn	
Mr. Frost	Mr. Thomas Paterson	
Mr. Gardner	Mr. Prowse	
Mr. Gibbons	Mr. Edward Riley	
Mr. Albert Green	Mr. Riordan	
Mr. Roland Green	Mr. Rowe	
Mr. Gullett	Mr. Scullin	
Mr. Guy	Mr. Stewart	
Mr. Hill	Mr. Thompson	
Mr. Holloway	Mr. Tully	
Mr. Hughes	Mr. White	
Mr. Jones		
Mr. Keane		
Mr. Killen	<i>Tellers:</i>	
Mr. Latham	Mr. Martens	
Mr. Lewis	Mr. E. C. Riley	

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

And the question—That the amendment be agreed to—being accordingly put—  
The Committee divided (The Chairman, Mr. McGrath, in the Chair)—

Ayes, 15.		Noes, 37.
Mr. Malcolm Cameron	Mr. Parkhill	Mr. Beasley
Mr. Gabb	Mr. Thomas Paterson	Mr. Blakeley
Mr. Gregory	Mr. Prowse	Mr. Brennan
Mr. Hawker	Mr. Stewart	Mr. Chifley
Mr. Hill		Mr. Coleman
Mr. Killen	<i>Tellers:</i>	Mr. Bernard Corser
Mr. Marks		Mr. Crouch
Mr. Marr	Mr. Nairn	Mr. Culley
Mr. Maxwell	Mr. Thompson	Mr. Cunningham
		Mr. Cusack
		Mr. Fenton
		Mr. Forde
		Mr. Frost
		Mr. Gibbons
		Mr. Albert Green
		Mr. Roland Green
		Mr. Guy
		Mr. Holloway
		Mr. Hughes
		Mr. Jones
		Mr. Keane
		Mr. Lewis
		Mr. Long
		Mr. Lyons
		Mr. Mackay
		Mr. W. Maloney
		Mr. Martens
		Mr. McNeill
		Mr. Parker Moloney
		Mr. Edward Riley
		Mr. Riordan
		Mr. Rowe
		Mr. Scullin
		Mr. Tully
		Mr. Yates
		<i>Tellers:</i>
		Mr. Gardner
		Mr. E. C. Riley

And so it was negatived.

Question—That the sub-item be agreed to—put.

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

Ayes, 37.		Noes, 13.
Mr. Beasley	Mr. Jones	Mr. Malcolm Cameron
Mr. Blakeley	Mr. Keane	Mr. Gabb
Mr. Brennan	Mr. Lewis	Mr. Gregory
Mr. Chifley	Mr. Long	Mr. Hawker
Mr. Coleman	Mr. Lyons	Mr. Hill
Mr. Bernard Corser	Mr. Mackay	Mr. Killen
Mr. Crouch	Mr. W. Maloney	Mr. Maxwell
Mr. Culley	Mr. McNeill	Mr. Parkhill
Mr. Cunningham	Mr. Parker Moloney	Mr. Thomas Paterson
Mr. Cusack	Mr. Edward Riley	Mr. Prowse
Mr. Fenton	Mr. Riordan	Mr. Stewart
Mr. Forde	Mr. Rowe	
Mr. Frost	Mr. Scullin	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. Gardner	Mr. Tully	Mr. Nairn
Mr. Gibbons	Mr. Yates	Mr. Thompson
Mr. Albert Green		
Mr. Roland Green	<i>Tellers:</i>	
Mr. Guy		
Mr. Holloway	Mr. Martens	
Mr. Hughes	Mr. E. C. Riley	

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

8th October, 1931.

Sub-item (i)—

Mr. Forde (Minister for Trade and Customs) moved, That the sub-item be amended by adding the following:—

	British Preferential Tariff.	Intermediate Tariff	General Tariff.
—			
“ And on and after 30th July, 1931			
(i) (1) Timber, undressed, n.e.i., in sizes not less than 4 inches in width and not less than 3 inches in thickness for the manufacture of boxes, as prescribed by Departmental By-laws per 100 super. feet	Free	Free	1s.
(2) Timber, undressed, cut to size for making boxes per 100 super. feet	12s.	12s.	14s.”

Debate ensued.

Amendment agreed to.

Sub-item, as amended, agreed to.

Sub-item (j)—

On the motion of Mr. Forde, the sub-item was amended, after debate, by adding the following:—

	British Preferential Tariff.	Intermediate Tariff.	General Tariff.
—			
“ And on and after 30th July, 1931			
(j) Timber, for making boxes, being cut to size, and dressed or partly dressed per 100 super. feet	14s.	14s.	16s.”

Question—That the sub-item, as amended, be agreed to—put.

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

Ayes, 40.

Mr. Beasley	Mr. Keane
Mr. Blakeley	Mr. Lewis
Mr. Brennan	Mr. Long
Mr. Chifley	Mr. Lyons
Mr. Coleman	Mr. Mackay
Mr. Bernard Corser	Mr. W. Maloney
Mr. Crouch	Mr. Marks
Mr. Culley	Mr. Marr
Mr. Cunningham	Mr. McNeill
Mr. Curtin	Mr. Parker Moloney
Mr. Cusack	Mr. Morgan
Mr. Fenton	Mr. Edward Riley
Mr. Forde	Mr. Riordan
Mr. Frost	Mr. Rowe
Mr. Gardner	Mr. Scullin
Mr. Gibbons	Mr. Tully
Mr. Albert Green	Mr. White
Mr. Gullett	
Mr. Guy	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. Holloway	Mr. Martens
Mr. Jones	Mr. E. C. Riley

Noes, 11.

Mr. Gabb
Mr. Gregory
Mr. Hawker
Mr. Hill
Mr. Killen
Mr. Maxwell
Mr. Thomas Paterson
Mr. Prowse
Mr. Stewart

*Tellers:*

Mr. Nairn
Mr. Parkhill

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Sub-item (k) agreed to.

Sub-item (l) debated—

Question—That the sub-item be agreed to—put.

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

Ayes, 33.

Mr. Beasley	Mr. Keane
Mr. Blakeley	Mr. Lewis
Mr. Brennan	Mr. Long
Mr. Chifley	Mr. Lyons
Mr. Bernard Corser	Mr. Mackay
Mr. Crouch	Mr. W. Maloney
Mr. Culley	Mr. McNeill
Mr. Cunningham	Mr. Parker Moloney
Mr. Cusack	Mr. Edward Riley
Mr. Fenton	Mr. Riordan
Mr. Forde	Mr. Rowe
Mr. Frost	Mr. Scullin
Mr. Gardner	Mr. Tully
Mr. Gibbons	
Mr. Albert Green	
Mr. Guy	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. Holloway	Mr. Martens
Mr. Jones	Mr. E. C. Riley

Noes, 9.

Mr. Gabb
Mr. Hawker
Mr. Hill
Mr. Killen
Mr. Marr
Mr. Parkhill
Mr. Stewart

*Tellers:*

Mr. Nairn
Mr. White

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

8th October, 1931.

Sub-items (M) and (N) agreed to.  
Item, as amended, agreed to.  
Item numbered 292, viz. :—

	British Preferential Tariff.	Intermediate Tariff.	General Tariff.
292. By omitting the whole item and inserting in its stead the following item :— " 292. Timber, viz. :—			
(A) Laths for Blinds - - - ad val.	50 per cent.	55 per cent.	65 per cent.
(B) Laths for Plastering - - - per 1,000	10s.	10s.	12s.
(C) Palings - - - per 1,000	14s.	14s.	16s.
(D) Pickets, undressed - - - per 100	7s.	7s.	8s.
(E) Pickets, dressed - - - per 100	10s. 6d.	10s. 6d.	11s. 6d.
(F) Shingles - - - per 1,000	3s.	3s.	5s.
(G) Architraves, Mouldings n.e.i., Skirtings and room mouldings, up to and including six inches in width and up to and including one inch in thickness per 100 lineal feet	9s.	9s.	10s.
(H) Picture frame mouldings - - - ad val.	40 per cent.	50 per cent.	55 per cent."

debated—

Mr. Parkhill addressing the Committee—

Closure.—Mr. Forde moved, That the question be now put.

Question—That the question be now put—put.

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

Ayes, 29.

Noes, 4.

Mr. Beasley	Mr. Lewis
Mr. Brennan	Mr. Long
Mr. Chifley	Mr. W. Maloney
Mr. Bernard Corser	Mr. McNeill
Mr. Crouch	Mr. Parker Moloney
Mr. Culley	Mr. Edward Riley
Mr. Cunningham	Mr. Riordan
Mr. Cusack	Mr. Rowe
Mr. Fenton	Mr. Scullin
Mr. Forde	Mr. Thompson
Mr. Frost	Mr. Tully
Mr. Gibbons	
Mr. Albert Green	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. Holloway	
Mr. Jones	Mr. Martens
Mr. Keane	Mr. E. C. Riley

Mr. Hawker  
Mr. Parkhill  
*Tellers:*  
Mr. Gabb  
Mr. White

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

And the question—That the Item be agreed to—being accordingly put—

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

Ayes, 32.

Noes, 3.

Mr. Beasley	Mr. Keane
Mr. Brennan	Mr. Lewis
Mr. Chifley	Mr. Long
Mr. Coleman	Mr. W. Maloney
Mr. Bernard Corser	Mr. McNeill
Mr. Crouch	Mr. Parker Moloney
Mr. Culley	Mr. Edward Riley
Mr. Cunningham	Mr. Riordan
Mr. Cusack	Mr. Rowe
Mr. Fenton	Mr. Scullin
Mr. Forde	Mr. Thompson
Mr. Frost	Mr. Tully
Mr. Gardner	Mr. White
Mr. Gibbons	
Mr. Albert Green	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. Holloway	
Mr. Jones	Mr. Martens
	Mr. E. C. Riley

Mr. Hawker  
*Tellers:*  
Mr. Gabb  
Mr. Parkhill

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Item numbered 293 agreed to.

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Item numbered 294—

Mr. White addressing the Committee—

*Closure.*—Mr. Thompson moved, That the question be now put.

Question—That the question be now put—put.

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

Ayes, 30.		Noes, 4.
Mr. Blakeley	Mr. Keane	Mr. Hawker
Mr. Brennan	Mr. Lewis	Mr. Parkhill
Mr. Chifley	Mr. Long	
Mr. Coleman	Mr. W. Maloney	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. Bernard Corser	Mr. McNeill	Mr. Gabb
Mr. Crouch	Mr. Parker Moloney	Mr. White
Mr. Culley	Mr. Edward Riley	
Mr. Cunningham	Mr. Riordan	
Mr. Cusack	Mr. Rowe	
Mr. Fenton	Mr. Scullin	
Mr. Forde	Mr. Thompson	
Mr. Frost	Mr. Tully	
Mr. Gibbons	<i>Tellers:</i>	
Mr. Albert Green	Mr. Martens	
Mr. Holloway	Mr. E. C. Riley	
Mr. Jones		

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

And the question—That the Item be agreed to—being accordingly put, was passed.

Item numbered 295 debated and agreed to.

Items numbered 296 and 298 agreed to.

Item numbered 299, viz. :—

	British Preferential Tariff.	Intermediate Tariff.	General Tariff.
299. By omitting the whole of sub-item (B) and inserting in its stead the following sub-item :—			
“(B) Brushmakers' Woodware and Turnery other than Broomhandles - - - - ad val.	30 per cent.	35 per cent.	40 per cent.”
By adding a new sub-item (C) as follows :—			
“(C) Broomhandles - - - - ad val.	50 per cent.	55 per cent.	65 per cent.”

Mr. Forde moved, That the Item be amended by adding the following to sub-item (B) :—

	British Preferential Tariff.	Intermediate Tariff.	General Tariff.
“ And on and after 9th October, 1931			
(B) Brushmakers' Woodware and Turnery other than Broom and Mop Handles - - - - ad val.	30 per cent.	35 per cent.	40 per cent.”

and by adding the following to sub-item (C) :—

	British Preferential Tariff.	Intermediate Tariff.	General Tariff.
“ And on and after 9th October, 1931			
(C) Broom and Mop Handles - - - - ad val.	50 per cent.	55 per cent.	65 per cent.”

Debate ensued.

Mr. Gabb addressing the Committee—

*Closure.*—Mr. Riordan moved, That the question be now put.

Question—That the question be now put—put.

8th October, 1931.

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

Ayes, 29.		Noes, 4.
Mr. Brennan	Mr. Long	Mr. Fenton
Mr. Chifley	Mr. Makin	Mr. Hawker
Mr. Coleman	Mr. W. Maloney	
Mr. Bernard Corser	Mr. McNeill	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. Crouch	Mr. Parker Moloney	Mr. Gabb
Mr. Culley	Mr. Edward Riley	Mr. Parkhill
Mr. Cunningham	Mr. Riordan	
Mr. Cusack	Mr. Rowe	
Mr. Forde	Mr. Scullin	
Mr. Frost	Mr. Thompson	
Mr. Gibbons	Mr. Tully	
Mr. Albert Green		
Mr. Holloway	<i>Tellers:</i>	
Mr. Jones	Mr. Martens	
Mr. Keane	Mr. E. C. Riley	
Mr. Lewis		

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

And the question—That the amendments be agreed to—being accordingly put—

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

Ayes, 30.		Noes, 5.
Mr. Blakeley	Mr. Keane	Mr. Gregory
Mr. Brennan	Mr. Lewis	Mr. Hawker
Mr. Chifley	Mr. Long	Mr. Prowse
Mr. Coleman	Mr. Makin	
Mr. Bernard Corser	Mr. McNeill	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. Crouch	Mr. Parker Moloney	Mr. Gabb
Mr. Culley	Mr. Edward Riley	Mr. Parkhill
Mr. Cunningham	Mr. Riordan	
Mr. Cusack	Mr. Rowe	
Mr. Fenton	Mr. Scullin	
Mr. Forde	Mr. Thompson	
Mr. Frost	Mr. Tully	
Mr. Gibbons		
Mr. Albert Green	<i>Tellers:</i>	
Mr. Holloway	Mr. Martens	
Mr. Jones	Mr. E. C. Riley	

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Item, as amended, agreed to.

Item numbered 301 agreed to.

Item numbered 302, viz. :—

	British Preferential Tariff.	Intermediate Tariff.	General Tariff.
302. By omitting the whole item and inserting in its stead the following item :—			
“ 302. (A) File and Chisel Handles unattached per doz. or ad val.	1s. 3d. 50 per cent.	1s. 6d. 55 per cent.	1s. 6d. 65 per cent.
whichever rate returns the higher duty.			
(B) Tool Handles unattached n.e.i. per doz. or ad val.	4s. 6d. 50 per cent.	6s. 55 per cent.	7s. 6d. 65 per cent.
whichever rate returns the higher duty.”			

Mr. Parkhill addressing the Committee—

*Closure.*—Mr. Bernard Corser moved, That the question be now put.

Question—That the question be now put—put.

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

Ayes, 29.		Noes, 4.
Mr. Blakeley	Mr. Lewis	Mr. Gabb
Mr. Brennan	Mr. Long	Mr. Hawker
Mr. Chifley	Mr. Makin	
Mr. Coleman	Mr. McNeill	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. Bernard Corser	Mr. Parker Moloney	Mr. Bayley
Mr. Crouch	Mr. Edward Riley	Mr. Parkhill
Mr. Culley	Mr. Riordan	
Mr. Cunningham	Mr. Rowe	
Mr. Cusack	Mr. Scullin	
Mr. Forde	Mr. Thompson	
Mr. Frost	Mr. Tully	
Mr. Gibbons		
Mr. Albert Green	<i>Tellers:</i>	
Mr. Holloway	Mr. Martens	
Mr. Jones	Mr. E. C. Riley	
Mr. Keane		

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

8th October, 1931.

And the question—That the Item be agreed to—being accordingly put—  
The Committee divided (The Chairman, Mr. McGrath, in the Chair)—

Ayes, 30.

Mr. Blakeley	Mr. Keane
Mr. Brennan	Mr. Lewis
Mr. Chifley	Mr. Long
Mr. Coleman	Mr. Makin
Mr. Bernard Corser	Mr. McNeill
Mr. Crouch	Mr. Parker Moloney
Mr. Culley	Mr. Edward Riley
Mr. Cunningham	Mr. Riordan
Mr. Cusack	Mr. Rowe
Mr. Fenton	Mr. Scullin
Mr. Forde	Mr. Thompson
Mr. Frost	Mr. Tully
Mr. Gibbons	
Mr. Albert Green	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. Holloway	Mr. Martens
Mr. Jones	Mr. E. C. Riley

Noes, 5.

Mr. Gabb
Mr. Hawker
Mr. Prowse

*Tellers:*  
Mr. Bayley  
Mr. Parkhill

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.  
Item numbered 303, viz. :—

	British Preferential Tariff.	Intermediate Tariff.	General Tariff.
303. By omitting the whole of sub-item (A) and inserting in its stead the following sub-item :— “(A) Wood, all articles made of, n.e.i., whether partly or wholly finished; Bellows; Sashes, and Frames; Window Screens; Walking Sticks; Hods; Mallets; Rakes; Grain Shovels; Saw Frames; Mitre Boxes; Wood Split Pulleys; Wood Bungs; Wood Type; Rules n.e.i., Rulers, Parallel Rulers, Set and T Squares, and Protractors, when partly or wholly of wood, except when imported in sets of drawing or mathematical instruments; Washboards; Knifeboards - - - ad val.	50 per cent.	55 per cent.	65 per cent.”
By omitting the whole of sub-item (B) and inserting in its stead the following sub-item :— “(B) (1) Incubators n.e.i. - - - each or ad val. whichever rate returns the higher duty.	£3 50 per cent.	£3 10s. 55 per cent.	£3 10s. 65 per cent.
(2) Foster Mothers and Brooders - - - each or ad val. whichever rate returns the higher duty.”	£2 50 per cent.	£2 5s. 55 per cent.	£2 5s. 65 per cent.
By omitting the whole of sub-item (C) and inserting in its stead the following sub-item :— “(C) Wood Wool - - - ad val.	20 per cent.	20 per cent.	35 per cent.”

Ordered—That the Item be divided.  
Sub-item (A) debated—  
Mr. Parkhill addressing the Committee—  
*Closure moved.*—Mr. Riordan moved, That the question be now put.  
Question—That the question be now put—put and negatived.  
Debate continued.  
Mr. Parkhill addressing the Committee—  
*Closure.*—Mr. Edward Riley moved, That the question be now put.  
Question—That the question be now put—put.  
The Committee divided (The Chairman, Mr. McGrath, in the Chair)—

Ayes, 30.

Mr. Blakeley	Mr. Keane
Mr. Brennan	Mr. Lewis
Mr. Chifley	Mr. Long
Mr. Coleman	Mr. Makin
Mr. Bernard Corser	Mr. McNeill
Mr. Crouch	Mr. Parker Moloney
Mr. Culley	Mr. Edward Riley
Mr. Cunningham	Mr. Riordan
Mr. Cusack	Mr. Rowe
Mr. Fenton	Mr. Scullin
Mr. Forde	Mr. Thompson
Mr. Frost	Mr. Tully
Mr. Gibbons	
Mr. Albert Green	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. Holloway	Mr. Martens
Mr. Jones	Mr. E. C. Riley

Noes, 4.

Mr. Hawker
Mr. Prowse

*Tellers:*  
Mr. Gabb  
Mr. Parkhill

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.





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On the motion of Mr. Forde, the Item was amended by adding the following :—

	British Preferential Tariff.	Intermediate Tariff.	General Tariff.
—			
“ And on and after 9th October, 1931 311. (A) Bullion and Coin ; Gold and Silver Bar Ingot and Sheet ; Cameos and Intaglios, unset ; Gold and Silver Wire for Embroidery Bullion, Purl ; Coral unmanufactured in any manner whatever - - - (B) Precious stones unset, including Pearls -	Free Free	Free Free	Free Free.”

Item, as amended, agreed to.  
Items numbered 313, 314, 315, and 318 agreed to.  
Item numbered 319 debated and agreed to.  
Item numbered 320 debated and agreed to.  
Item numbered 324 debated and agreed to.  
Item numbered 325 agreed to.  
Item numbered 326, viz. :—

	British Preferential Tariff.	Intermediate Tariff.	General Tariff.
—			
326. By omitting the whole item and inserting in its stead the following item :— “ 326. Leather Rubber Canvas and Composition Belting, and Green Hide for belting and other purposes - - - ad val.	40 per cent.	45 per cent.	50 per cent.”

On the motion of Mr. Forde, the Item was amended by adding the following :—

	British Preferential Tariff.	Intermediate Tariff.	General Tariff.
—			
“ And on and after 9th October, 1931 326. Leather Rubber Canvas and Composition Belting, and Green Hide for belting and other purposes ad val.	30 per cent.	35 per cent.	40 per cent.”

Item, as amended, agreed to.  
Items numbered 327 and 328 agreed to.  
Item numbered 329, viz. :—

	British Preferential Tariff.	Intermediate Tariff.	General Tariff.
—			
329. By omitting the whole item and inserting in its stead the following item :— “ 329. Boots, Shoes, Slippers, Clogs, Pattens, and other Footwear (of any material), n.e.i. ; Boot and Shoe Uppers and Tops (except of felt) ; Cork, Leather, or other Socks or Soles n.e.i. - - - ad val.	45 per cent.	55 per cent.	60 per cent.”

Debate ensued.

Question—That the Item be agreed to—put.

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

Ayes, 28.

Mr. Blakeley	Mr. Keane
Mr. Brennan	Mr. Lewis
Mr. Chifley	Mr. Long
Mr. Coleman	Mr. Makin
Mr. Crouch	Mr. McNeill
Mr. Culley	Mr. Parker Moloney
Mr. Cunningham	Mr. Edward Riley
Mr. Cusack	Mr. Riordan
Mr. Fenton	Mr. Rowe
Mr. Forde	Mr. Scullin
Mr. Frost	Mr. Tully
Mr. Gibbons	
Mr. Albert Green	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. Holloway	Mr. Martens
Mr. Jones	Mr. E. C. Riley

Noes, 3.

Mr. Hawker

*Tellers:*Mr. Gabb  
Mr. Parkhill

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

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Item numbered 330 debated and agreed to.

Item numbered 331, viz. :—

	British Preferential Tariff.	Intermediate Tariff.	General Tariff.
331. By omitting the whole item and inserting in its stead the following item :— “ 331. Rubber and Rubber Manufactures, viz. :— (A) The following produce of any territory of the Commonwealth, viz.:—Crude Rubber, Rubber Waste, Masticated Rubber, Powdered or Reclaimed Rubber (B) Crude Rubber, Rubber Waste, Masticated Rubber, Powdered or Reclaimed Rubber, n.e.i. - - - per lb. (c) Hard Rubber in Sheets; Rubber Thread; Boot and Apparel Elastics - - -	Free  4d.  Free	Free  4d.  Free	Free  4d.  Free.”

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

	British Preferential Tariff.	Intermediate Tariff.	General Tariff.
“ On and after 9th October, 1931 (D) Compounded Rubber - - - per lb.	2½d.	2½d.	2½d.”

Item, as amended, agreed to.

Item numbered 332, viz. :—

	British Preferential Tariff.	Intermediate Tariff.	General Tariff.
332. By omitting the whole of sub-item (A) and inserting in its stead the following sub-item :— * * * * * By adding a new sub-item (E) as follows :— “ (E) Rubber and other Hose - - - per lb. or ad val. whichever rate returns the higher duty.” By adding a new sub-item (F) as follows :— “ (F) Rubber Gloves including Surgeons’ - per pair or ad val. whichever rate returns the higher duty.”	*  1s. 35 per cent.	*  1s. 3d. 40 per cent.	*  1s. 6d. 50 per cent.
	1s. 3d. 45 per cent.	1s. 6d. 55 per cent.	1s. 6d. 60 per cent.

Mr. Forde moved, That the Item be amended by adding the following to sub-item (E) :—

	British Preferential Tariff.	Intermediate Tariff.	General Tariff.
“ And on and after 9th October, 1931 (E) (1) Rubber Hose up to and including one inch in diameter - - - per lb. or ad val. whichever rate returns the higher duty. (2) Hose, n.e.i. - - - ad val.	1s. 35 per cent.	1s. 3d. 40 per cent.	1s. 6d. 50 per cent.
	35 per cent.	40 per cent.	50 per cent.”

Debate ensued.

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The Committee continuing to sit until after midnight—

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Debate continued.

Question—That the amendment be agreed to—put.

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

Ayes, 27.		Noes, 3.
Mr. Blakeley	Mr. Long	Mr. Hawker
Mr. Brennan	Mr. Makin	
Mr. Chifley	Mr. Martens	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. Coleman	Mr. McNeill	Mr. Gabb
Mr. Crouch	Mr. Parker Moloney	Mr. Parkhill
Mr. Culley	Mr. Edward Riley	
Mr. Cunningham	Mr. Riordan	
Mr. Cusack	Mr. Rowe	
Mr. Fenton	Mr. Scullin	
Mr. Forde	Mr. Tully	
Mr. Frost		
Mr. Holloway	<i>Tellers:</i>	
Mr. Jones	Mr. Gibbons	
Mr. Keane	Mr. E. C. Riley	
Mr. Lewis		

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

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

	British Preferential Tariff.	Intermediate Tariff.	General Tariff.
—			
(F) Rubber Gloves including Surgeons' per pair or ad val. whichever rate returns the higher duty."	9d. 45 per cent.	9½d. 55 per cent.	10d. 60 per cent.

Item, as amended, agreed to.

Item numbered 333 agreed to.

Item numbered 334, viz. :—

	British Preferential Tariff.	Intermediate Tariff.	General Tariff.
—			
334. By omitting the whole of paragraphs (1) and (2) of sub-item (c) and inserting in their stead the following paragraphs :—			
“(1) News Printing, not glazed mill-glazed or coated, in rolls not less than 10 inches in width or in sheets not less than 20 inches by 25 inches or its equivalent - - - - - per ton	£1	£4	£4
(2) Printing, n.e.i., (glazed, unglazed, mill-glazed, or coated) not ruled or printed in any way in rolls not less than 10 inches in width or in sheets not less than 20 inches by 25 inches or its equivalent per ton	£1	£4	£4.”
* * * * *	*	*	*

On the motion of Mr. Forde, the Item was amended by adding the following to paragraph (1) of sub-item (c) :—

	British Preferential Tariff.	Intermediate Tariff.	General Tariff.
—			
(1) News Printing, not glazed mill-glazed or coated, in rolls not less than 10 inches in width or in sheets not less than 20 inches by 25 inches or its equivalent - - - - - per ton	Free	£4	£4.”

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On the motion of Mr. Forde, the Item was further amended by adding the following to paragraph (2) of sub-item (c) :—

	British Preferential Tariff.	Intermediate Tariff.	General Tariff.
—			
(2) Printing, n.e.i., (glazed, unglazed, mill-glazed, or coated) not ruled or printed in any way in rolls not less than 10 inches in width or in sheets not less than 20 inches by 25 inches or its equivalent per ton	Free	£4	£4."

Mr. Forde moved, That the Item be further amended by inserting the following sub-item :—

	British Preferential Tariff.	Intermediate Tariff.	General Tariff.
—			
By omitting the whole of sub-item (m) (twice occurring) and inserting in its stead the following sub-item :— “(m) Emery Paper, Emery Cloth, Flint Paper (being Glass Paper), Flint Cloth, Filter Paper, Litmus Paper, irrespective of size and shape - ad val. And on and after 9th October, 1931 (m) (1) Sand Paper, Glass Paper and Flint Paper, irrespective of size and shape - ad val. (2) Emery Paper, Emery Cloth, Flint Cloth, Filter Paper and Litmus Paper, irrespective of size and shape - ad val.	Free	5 per cent.	10 per cent.
	30 per cent.	40 per cent.	45 per cent.
	Free	5 per cent.	10 per cent."

Debate ensued.

Question—That the amendment be agreed to—put.

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

Ayes, 26.		Noes, 3.
Mr. Blakeley	Mr. Long	Mr. Hawker
Mr. Brennan	Mr. Makin	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. Chifley	Mr. Martens	Mr. Gabb
Mr. Coleman	Mr. McNeill	Mr. Parkhill
Mr. Crouch	Mr. Parker Moloney	
Mr. Culley	Mr. Edward Riley	
Mr. Cunningham	Mr. Riordan	
Mr. Cusack	Mr. Rowe	
Mr. Fenton	Mr. Scullin	
Mr. Forde	Mr. Tully	
Mr. Frost		
Mr. Holloway	<i>Tellers:</i>	
Mr. Jones	Mr. Gibbons	
Mr. Keane	Mr. E. C. Riley	

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Item, as amended, agreed to.

Postponed Item numbered 123, viz. :—

	British Preferential Tariff.	Intermediate Tariff.	General Tariff.
—			
123. By omitting the whole of sub-item (A) and inserting in its stead the following sub-item :— “(A) Waddings and Cotton Wool— (1) Waddings, Cotton Wool (not medicated) n.e.i. per lb. or ad val. whichever rate returns the higher duty. (2) Absorbent Cotton Wool (not medicated) ad val. And on and after 1st October, 1931 (2) Absorbent Cotton Wool (not medicated) per lb. or ad val. whichever rate returns the higher duty.”	3d. 20 per cent.	3½d. 25 per cent.	4d. 30 per cent.
	Free	10 per cent.	20 per cent.
	4d. 20 per cent.	5d. 25 per cent.	6d. 30 per cent.

considered, by leave.

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Mr. Forde moved, That the Item be amended by omitting sub-item (A) and inserting the following in place thereof :—

	British Preferential Tariff.	Intermediate Tariff.	General Tariff.
“(A) Waddings and Cotton Wool— (1) Waddings, Cotton Wool (not medicated) n.e.i. per lb. 3d. or ad val. 20 per cent. whichever rate returns the higher duty. (2) Absorbent Cotton Wool (not medicated) per lb. 4d. or ad val. 20 per cent. whichever rate returns the higher duty. Provided that the rate of duty payable on any Absorbent Cotton Wool (not medicated) which was ordered before the 9th October, 1931, and which is entered for home consumption before the 1st December, 1931, shall be - ad val. Free	3d. 20 per cent.  4d. 20 per cent.  Free	3½d. 25 per cent. 5d. 25 per cent. 10 per cent.	4d. 30 per cent. 6d. 30 per cent. 20 per cent.”

Debate ensued.

Question—That the amendment be agreed to—put.

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

Ayes, 25.

Mr. Blakeley	Mr. Long
Mr. Brennan	Mr. Martens
Mr. Chifley	Mr. McNeill
Mr. Coleman	Mr. Parker Moloney
Mr. Crouch	Mr. Edward Riley
Mr. Culley	Mr. Riordan
Mr. Cunningham	Mr. Rowe
Mr. Cusack	Mr. Scullin
Mr. Fenton	Mr. Tully
Mr. Forde	
Mr. Frost	
Mr. Holloway	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. Jones	Mr. Gibbons
Mr. Keane	Mr. E. C. Riley

Noes, 4.

Mr. Gabb  
Mr. Hawker

*Tellers:*

Mr. Parkhill  
Mr. White

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Item, as amended, agreed to.

Postponed Item numbered 206, viz. :—

	British Preferential Tariff.	Intermediate Tariff.	General Tariff.
206. By omitting the whole of sub-items (A) and (B) and inserting in their stead the following sub-items :— “(A) Lamps and Lanterns n.e.i. and parts n.e.i. thereof except wicks; Coach and Carriage Lamp Irons; Metal Reflectors and Shades; Lampware n.e.i. but not the columns or sheetmetal framework of street lamps; Mica Chimneys and other parts of lamps or lanterns composed of mica - ad val. (B) Lamps of glass or chiefly of glass or with glass fonts; Glass parts of lamps or lanterns other than chimneys - - - ad val.	25 per cent. 25 per cent.	30 per cent. 50 per cent.	35 per cent. 60 per cent.”

considered, by leave.

Mr. Forde moved, That the Item be amended by adding the following to sub-item (B) :—

	British Preferential Tariff.	Intermediate Tariff.	General Tariff.
“(B) Lamps of glass or chiefly of glass or with glass fonts; Glass parts of lamps or lanterns other than chimneys - - - ad val.	35 per cent.	50 per cent.	60 per cent.”

Debate ensued.

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Question—That the amendment be agreed to—put.

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

Ayes, 28.		Noes, 4.	
Mr. Blakeley	Mr. Long	Mr. Gabb	
Mr. Brennan	Mr. Makin	Mr. Hawker	
Mr. Chifley	Mr. Martens		
Mr. Coleman	Mr. McNeill	<i>Tellers:</i>	
Mr. Crouch	Mr. Parker Moloney	Mr. Parkhill	
Mr. Culley	Mr. Edward Riley	Mr. White	
Mr. Cunningham	Mr. Riordan		
Mr. Cusack	Mr. Rowe		
Mr. Fenton	Mr. Scullin		
Mr. Forde	Mr. Tully		
Mr. Frost			
Mr. Albert Green	<i>Tellers:</i>		
Mr. Holloway	Mr. Gibbons		
Mr. Jones	Mr. E. C. Riley		
Mr. Keane			
Mr. Lewis			

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Item, as amended, agreed to.

Postponed Item numbered 242, viz. :—

	British Preferential Tariff.	Intermediate Tariff.	General Tariff.
242. By omitting the whole of sub-item (B) and inserting in its stead the following sub-item :— “(B) Sheet, viz. :— (1) Plain Clear - - - - - per lb. or ad val. 1½d. 45 per cent. 1½d. 55 per cent. 2d. 60 per cent. whichever rate returns the higher duty. (2) Figured Rolled, Cathedral, Milled Rolled, Rough Cast, Wired Cast, and Opalescent per lb. or ad val. 1½d. 45 per cent. 1½d. 55 per cent. 2d. 60 per cent. whichever rate returns the higher duty.”			

considered, by leave.

Mr. Gabb moved, That the Item be amended by adding the following :—

	British Preferential Tariff.	Intermediate Tariff.	General Tariff.
“(B) Sheet, viz. :— (1) Plain Clear - - - - - per 100 feet 3s. 4s. 5s. (2) Figured Rolled, Cathedral, Milled Rolled, Rough Cast, Wired Cast, and Opalescent per 100 feet 3s. 4s. 5s.”			

Debate ensued.

Mr. Hawker addressing the Committee—

Closure.—Mr. Edward Riley moved, That the question be now put.

Question—That the question be now put—put.

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

Ayes, 28.		Noes, 4.
Mr. Blakeley	Mr. Lewis	Mr. Fenton
Mr. Brennan	Mr. Long	Mr. Hawker
Mr. Chifley	Mr. Makin	
Mr. Coleman	Mr. Martens	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. Crouch	Mr. McNeill	Mr. Gabb
Mr. Culley	Mr. Parker Moloney	Mr. Parkhill
Mr. Cunningham	Mr. Edward Riley	
Mr. Cusack	Mr. Riordan	
Mr. Forde	Mr. Rowe	
Mr. Frost	Mr. Scullin	
Mr. Gibbons	Mr. Tully	
Mr. Albert Green		
Mr. Roland Green	<i>Tellers:</i>	
Mr. Holloway	Mr. Jones	
Mr. Keane	Mr. E. C. Riley	

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

And the question—That the amendment be agreed to—being accordingly put—

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

Ayes, 3.		Noes, 29.	
Mr. Hawker		Mr. Blakeley	Mr. Lewis
		Mr. Brennan	Mr. Long
<i>Tellers:</i>		Mr. Chifley	Mr. Makin
Mr. Gabb		Mr. Coleman	Mr. Martens
Mr. Parkhill		Mr. Crouch	Mr. McNeill
		Mr. Culley	Mr. Parker Moloney
		Mr. Cunningham	Mr. Edward Riley
		Mr. Cusack	Mr. Riordan
		Mr. Fenton	Mr. Rowe
		Mr. Forde	Mr. Scullin
		Mr. Frost	Mr. Tully
		Mr. Gibbons	
		Mr. Albert Green	
		Mr. Roland Green	<i>Tellers:</i>
		Mr. Holloway	Mr. Jones
		Mr. Keane	Mr. E. C. Riley

And so it was negatived.

Item agreed to.

Postponed Item numbered 244, considered, by leave, and agreed to.

Postponed Item numbered 250, viz. :—

	British Preferential Tariff.	Intermediate Tariff.	General Tariff.
250. By omitting the whole item (twice occurring) and inserting in its stead the following item :—			
“ 250. (A) Bottles, Flasks, and Jars, over 8 drams fluid capacity, of fancy or ground glass, empty or containing goods not subject to ad valorem duty, provided that bottles flasks and jars ground only in the neck for the purpose of fitting the stopper shall not be deemed ground; Thermometers, other than clinical - - - ad val.	25 per cent.	30 per cent.	40 per cent.
(B) Bottles, Flasks and Jars, over 8 drams fluid capacity, of cut glass, empty or containing goods not subject to ad valorem duty ad val.	25 per cent.	50 per cent.	60 per cent.
(C) Glassware n.e.i. - per dozen pieces or ad val.	25 per cent.	1s. 50 per cent.	1s. 60 per cent.
whichever rate returns the higher duty.			
(D) Laboratory Glassware n.e.i. and Apparatus of glass for scientific purposes n.e.i. ad val.	25 per cent.	30 per cent.	40 per cent.
(E) Heat Resisting Glassware for cooking purposes ad val.	25 per cent.	30 per cent.	40 per cent.
And on and after 1st January, 1932			
(E) Heat Resisting Glassware for cooking purposes ad val.	35 per cent.	50 per cent.	60 per cent.
(F) Glassware, other than cut glass and heat resisting glassware for cooking purposes, viz., Dishes, tumblers, salads, bowls, nappies, jugs, candlesticks, butters, battery jars or cells, vases, trays, comports, flower-blocks, mugs, sundaes - per dozen pieces or ad val.	9d. 25 per cent.	1s. 50 per cent.	1s. 60 per cent.
whichever rate returns the higher duty.”			



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Mr. Forde moved, That the Item be amended by adding the following :—

	British Preferential Tariff.	Intermediate Tariff.	General Tariff.
“ And on and after 9th October, 1931			
250. (A) Bottles, Flasks, and Jars, over 8 drams fluid capacity, of fancy or ground glass, empty or containing goods not subject to ad valorem duty, provided that bottles flasks and jars ground only in the neck for the purpose of fitting the stopper shall not be deemed ground; Thermometers, other than clinical - - - - - ad val.	25 per cent.	30 per cent.	40 per cent.
(B) Bottles, Decanters, Flasks and Jars, over 8 drams fluid capacity, of cut glass, empty or containing goods not subject to ad valorem duty - - - - - ad val.	35 per cent.	50 per cent.	60 per cent.
(C) Glassware n.e.i. - - - - - per dozen pieces or ad val.	35 per cent.	50 per cent.	60 per cent.
whichever rate returns the higher duty.			
(D) Laboratory Glassware n.e.i. and Apparatus of glass for scientific purposes n.e.i. - - - - - ad val.	25 per cent.	30 per cent.	40 per cent.
(E) Heat Resisting Glassware for cooking purposes - - - - - ad val.	25 per cent.	30 per cent.	40 per cent.
And on and after 1st January, 1932			
(F) Heat Resisting Glassware for cooking purposes, - - - - - ad val.	35 per cent.	50 per cent.	60 per cent.
(G) Glassware, other than cut glass and heat resisting glassware for cooking purposes, viz., Dishes, tumblers, salads, bowls, nappies, jugs, candlesticks, butters, battery jars or cells, vases, trays, comports, flower-blocks, mugs, sundaes - - - - - per dozen pieces or ad val.	9d. 35 per cent.	1s. 50 per cent.	1s. 60 per cent.
whichever rate returns the higher duty.			
(H) Vacuum Flasks Jugs Cans and similar Vacuum containers and parts thereof -ad val.	35 per cent.	50 per cent.	60 per cent.”

Debate ensued.

Amendment agreed to.

Item, as amended, agreed to.

Item numbered 123 reconsidered, by leave, in respect of the following amendment previously moved by Mr. Nairn :—That the Item be amended by inserting after the words “(not medicated)” in sub-item (A), paragraph (2) (second occurring), the words “other than for use in hospitals”.

Question—That the amendment be agreed to—put.

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

Ayes, 4.  
Mr. Hawker  
Mr. Parkhill

Tellers:  
Mr. Gabb  
Mr. White

Noes, 28.

Mr. Blakeley	Mr. Lewis
Mr. Brennan	Mr. Long
Mr. Chifley	Mr. Makin
Mr. Coleman	Mr. Martens
Mr. Crouch	Mr. McNeill
Mr. Culley	Mr. Parker Moloney
Mr. Cunningham	Mr. Edward Riley
Mr. Cusack	Mr. Riordan
Mr. Fenton	Mr. Rowe
Mr. Forde	Mr. Scullin
Mr. Frost	Mr. Tully
Mr. Gibbons	
Mr. Albert Green	Tellers:
Mr. Holloway	Mr. Jones
Mr. Keane	Mr. E. C. Riley

And so it was negatived.

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Item numbered 338, viz. :—

	British Preferential Tariff.	Intermediate Tariff.	General Tariff.
<p>338. By omitting the whole of sub-item (A) (twice occurring) and inserting in its stead the following sub-item :—</p> <p>“(A) Manufactures of, or articles partly manufactured of, framed (including the weight of the frame), or unframed, having advertisements thereon; Price Lists; Catalogues; Circulars; Prospectuses; Showcards; Printed, Photographed or Lithographed Matter, Pictures n.e.i., and Posters of all kinds, used or intended to be used for advertising purposes; Pictures used or intended to be used in the manufacture of box tops, pad covers, calendars, almanacs and the like; all Printed or Embossed Bags or Containers; Calendars, Almanacs, and Diaries; Australian Directories, Guides, and Timetables; Paper Patterns; Labels of all kinds; Tickets, printed, viz., Railway, Tramway, and other, including paper and board printed or prepared in any way therefor; Billheads, Memorandum Forms, and all other printed ruled or engraved Forms of Paper n.e.i.; also Printed Wrapping Paper, and Printed Surface Coated Paper; Paper Patty Pans and like paper containers of all sizes, also paper chocolate cups, including the weight of the immediate containing cartons - per lb. or ad val. whichever rate returns the higher duty.”</p> <p style="text-align: center;">* * * * *</p>	<p>1s. 45 per cent.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">*</p>	<p>1s. 3d. 50 per cent.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">*</p>	<p>1s. 6d. 55 per cent.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">*</p>

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

	British Preferential Tariff.	Intermediate Tariff.	General Tariff.
<p>“(A) Manufactures of, or articles partly manufactured of, framed (including the weight of the frame), or unframed, having advertisements thereon; Price Lists; Prospectuses; Showcards; Catalogues, Circulars, Printed Photographed or Lithographed Matter, Pictures n.e.i., and Posters of all kinds, used or intended to be used for advertising purposes; Pictures used or intended to be used in the manufacture of box tops, pad covers, calendars, almanacs and the like; all Printed or Embossed Bags or Containers; Calendars, Almanacs, and Diaries; Australian Directories, Guides, and Timetables; Paper Patterns; Labels of all kinds; Tickets, printed, viz., Railway, Tramway, and other, including paper and board printed or prepared in any way therefor; Billheads, Memorandum Forms, and all other printed ruled or engraved Forms of Paper n.e.i.; also Printed Wrapping Paper, and Printed Surface Coated Paper; Paper Patty Pans and like paper containers of all sizes, also paper chocolate cups, including the weight of the immediate containing cartons - per lb. or ad val. whichever rate returns the higher duty.”</p>	<p>1s. 45 per cent.</p>	<p>1s. 3d. 50 per cent.</p>	<p>1s. 6d. 55 per cent.</p>

Item, as amended, agreed to.  
Item numbered 340, viz. :—

	British Preferential Tariff.	Intermediate Tariff.	General Tariff.
<p>340. By omitting the whole item and inserting in its stead the following item :—</p> <p style="text-align: center;">* * * * *</p> <p>(c) Manufactures of Paper n.e.i.; Paper Parasols; Paper (other than gummed paper) in rolls or reels of less than 6 inches in width; Paper and Board in the form of discs ovals small squares and other small shapes not exceeding 144 square inches in area for all purposes when not elsewhere dutiable at a higher rate - ad val.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">* * * * *</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">*</p> <p>45 per cent.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">*</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">*</p> <p>50 per cent.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">*</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">*</p> <p>55 per cent.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">*</p>

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

—	British Preferential Tariff.	Intermediate Tariff.	General Tariff.
<p style="text-align: center;">“ And on and after 9th October, 1931                      (c) Manufactures of Paper n.e.i. and Manufactures of Board n.e.i.; Paper Parasols; Paper (other than Gunned Paper) and Board in rolls or reels of less than six inches in width; Paper and Board in the form of discs ovals small squares and other small shapes not exceeding 144 square inches in area for all purposes when not elsewhere dutiable at a higher rate - - - ad val.</p>	45 per cent.	50 per cent.	55 per cent.”

Item, as amended, agreed to.  
 Items numbered 341, 342, and 343 agreed to.  
 Item numbered 352, viz. :—

—	British Preferential Tariff.	Intermediate Tariff.	General Tariff.
<p>352. By omitting the whole of sub-item (A) and inserting in its stead the following sub-item :—                      “ (A) (1) Cycle and side car Parts plated brazed enamelled or permanently joined, n.e.i. (not including parts of leather or rubber) ad val.                      (2) Motor cycle Parts plated brazed enamelled or permanently joined, n.e.i. (not including parts of leather or rubber); Cycle motor cycle and side car Accessories n.e.i. and parts thereof (except of leather or rubber), including Steel Trousers Clips, Steel Toe Clips and Bands, Parcel Carriers, and Bells; Cycle Saddles and Saddle Covers; Inflator Clips and connexions - - - ad val.                      * * * * *</p>	20 per cent.            Free *	20 per cent.            15 per cent. *	30 per cent.            25 per cent. *

On the motion of Mr. Forde, the Item was amended by adding the following to paragraph (2) of sub-item (A) :—

—	British Preferential Tariff.	Intermediate Tariff.	General Tariff.
<p style="text-align: center;">“ And on and after 9th October, 1931                      (2) Motor cycle Parts plated brazed enamelled or permanently joined, n.e.i. (not including parts of leather or rubber); Cycle motor cycle and side car Accessories (except felt saddle covers) n.e.i. and parts thereof (except of leather or rubber), including Steel Trousers Clips, Steel Toe Clips and Bands, Parcel Carriers, and Bells; Cycle Saddles and Saddle Covers (except of felt); Inflator Clips and connexions - - - ad val.</p>	Free	15 per cent.	25 per cent.”

Item, as amended, agreed to.  
 Items numbered 354, 355, 357, 359, 361, 365, 367 and 369 agreed to.  
 Item numbered 374, viz. :—

—	British Preferential Tariff.	Intermediate Tariff.	General Tariff.
<p>374. By omitting the whole item and inserting in its stead the following item :—                      * * * * *                      (d) Packings, viz. :—                      (1) Asbestos or chiefly of Asbestos; Cotton or chiefly of Cotton - ad val.                      (2) Felt or Wool, or chiefly of felt or wool ad val.                      (3) Other - - - ad val.</p>	*            20 per cent. 60 per cent. 40 per cent.	*            25 per cent. 65 per cent. 45 per cent.	*            30 per cent. 75 per cent. 50 per cent.”

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

	British Preferential Tariff.	Intermediate Tariff.	General Tariff.
—			
“ And on and after 9th October, 1931 (D) Packings, viz. :—			
(1) Asbestos - - - ad val.	20 per cent.	25 per cent.	30 per cent.
(2) Felt - - - ad val.	60 per cent.	65 per cent.	75 per cent.
(3) Other - - - ad val.	40 per cent.	45 per cent.	50 per cent.”

Item, as amended, agreed to.

Item numbered 375 agreed to.

Item numbered 376, viz. :—

	British Preferential Tariff.	Intermediate Tariff.	General Tariff.
—			
376. By omitting the whole item (twice occurring) and inserting in its stead the following item :—			
“ 376. Bags, Baskets, Boxes, Cases, Trunks, Purses, Wallets, with or without fittings, viz. :—			
* * * * *	*	*	*
(E) Fancy Boxes containing goods subject to duty ad valorem to be dutiable at the same rate as the goods.			
(F) Jewellery Boxes, fancy - - - ad val.	35 per cent.	45 per cent.	55 per cent.
(G) Kit Bag Frames - - - ad val.	45 per cent.	50 per cent.	65 per cent.”

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

	British Preferential Tariff.	Intermediate Tariff.	General Tariff.
—			
“ And on and after 9th October, 1931 (E) Fancy boxes containing goods (other than the goods mentioned in Tariff Item 197) subject to duty ad valorem to be dutiable at the same rate as the goods.”			

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

	British Preferential Tariff.	Intermediate Tariff.	General Tariff.
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“ And on and after 9th October, 1931 (F) (1) Jewellery Boxes, Fancy - - - ad val.	35 per cent.	45 per cent.	55 per cent.
(2) Fancy Boxes Cabinets Canteens or Fancy Cases containing goods mentioned in Tariff Item 197 and Fancy Boxes Cabinets Canteens or Fancy Cases imported empty which are ordinarily used as containers for the goods mentioned in Tariff Item 197 - - - ad val.	50 per cent.	55 per cent.	65 per cent.”

Item, as amended, agreed to.

Items numbered 379, 380, 381 and 390 agreed to.

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Item numbered 392, viz. :—

	British Preferential Tariff.	Intermediate Tariff.	General Tariff.
392. By omitting the whole item and inserting in its stead the following item :— “ 392. Yarns— (A) Cotton— (1) Mercerized, bleached, dyed and random dyed, yarns for manufacture of cotton tweeds, yarns for manufacture of twines cordage sewing threads and the like, condenser yarns for manufacture of blankets and towels, yarns being single ply yarns spun in count No. 50 or finer and yarns of two or more ply containing one or more ply spun in count No. 50 or finer, as prescribed by Departmental By-laws - ad val.	Free	Free	5 per cent.
(2) N.E.I. - - - - - per lb. and ad val.	6d.	6d.	6d.
(B) Coir - - - - -	Free	Free	55 per cent.
(C) Woollen or containing wool - - - - - per lb. and ad val.	1s.	1s.	1s.
(D) Silk or silk in admixture with artificial silk, but not including yarns composed wholly of artificial silk - - - - - ad val.	35 per cent.	35 per cent.	35 per cent.
(E) Jute - - - - - ad val.	20 per cent.	30 per cent.	35 per cent.
(F) Hemp and Flax— (1) 12 lea and under - - - - - ad val.	30 per cent.	40 per cent.	45 per cent.
(2) Over 12 lea - - - - - ad val.	10 per cent.	15 per cent.	20 per cent.
(G) N.E.I. - - - - - ad val.	Free	Free	10 per cent.”

Debate ensued.

Question—That the Item be agreed to—put.

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

Ayes, 28.

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| Mr. Blakeley     | Mr. Lewis          |
| Mr. Brennan      | Mr. Long           |
| Mr. Chifley      | Mr. Makin          |
| Mr. Coleman      | Mr. Martens        |
| Mr. Crouch       | Mr. McNeill        |
| Mr. Culley       | Mr. Parker Moloney |
| Mr. Cunningham   | Mr. Edward Riley   |
| Mr. Cusack       | Mr. Riordan        |
| Mr. Fenton       | Mr. Rowe           |
| Mr. Forde        | Mr. Scullin        |
| Mr. Frost        | Mr. Tully          |
| Mr. Gibbons      |                    |
| Mr. Albert Green | <i>Tellers:</i>    |
| Mr. Holloway     | Mr. Jones          |
| Mr. Keane        | Mr. E. C. Riley    |

Noes, 4.

- Mr. Gabb  
Mr. Hawker

*Teller:*

- Mr. Parkhill  
Mr. White

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Items numbered 394, 397, 400, 408, 413, 419 and 420 agreed to.

Item numbered 423, viz. :—

	British Preferential Tariff.	Intermediate Tariff.	General Tariff.
423. By omitting the whole item and inserting in its stead the following item :— “ 423. (A) Trophies won abroad and Decorations Medallions and Certificates awarded or to be awarded and sent from abroad to individuals and Trophies or Prizes sent by donors resident abroad for presentation or competition in Australia as prescribed by Departmental By-laws - - - - -	Free	Free	Free
(B) Goods, which would otherwise be dutiable, not exceeding a total value of £1 (but not including Spirituous Liquors, Tobacco, Cigars and Cigarettes) being presents sent per post by private individuals resident abroad to private individuals resident in Australia, as prescribed by Departmental By-laws - - - - -	Free	Free	Free.”

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On the motion of Mr. Forde, the Item was amended, after debate, by adding the following :—

	British Preferential Tariff.	Intermediate Tariff.	General Tariff.
<p style="text-align: center;">“ And on and after 9th October, 1931</p> 423. Trophies won abroad and Decorations Medallions and Certificates awarded or to be awarded and sent from abroad to individuals and Trophies or Prizes sent by donors resident abroad for presentation or competition in Australia, as prescribed by Departmental By-laws	Free	Free	Free.”

Item, as amended, agreed to.

Item numbered 424 debated and agreed to.

Items numbered 432 and 433 agreed to.

*New Items—*

On the motion of Mr. Forde the following new Items were, after debate, inserted in the Schedule :—

	British Preferential Tariff.	Intermediate Tariff.	General Tariff.
104. By omitting the whole item (twice occurring) and inserting in its stead the following item :— “ 104. Waxes— (A) Paraffine Wax - - - - - per lb. (B) N.E.I., including Stearine, Beeswax, Carnauba, Ceresine, Japanese or Vegetable Wax, Vegetable Wax n.e.i. - - - - - per lb.	1d.	1½d.	2d.
And on and after 9th October, 1931	1d.	1d.	1½d.
104. Waxes— (A) Paraffine Wax - - - - - per lb. (B) Beeswax - - - - - per lb. (C) N.E.I., including Stearine, Carnauba, Ceresine, Japanese or Vegetable Wax, Vegetable Wax n.e.i. - - - - - per lb.	1d. 1d. 1d.	1½d. 3d.	2d. 4½d.
124. By omitting the whole item and inserting in its stead the following item :— “ 124. Braids, Fringes, or Edgings of textile materials, not being for attire - - - - - ad val.	Free	Free	10 per cent.
And on and after 9th October, 1931	10 per cent.	25 per cent.	35 per cent.”
225. By omitting the whole item and inserting in its stead the following item :— “ 225. (A) French Chalk and other preparations of Steatite, n.e.i. - - - - - ad val. (B) Crayons and Pastels, including Solid Lead Pencils and School and Tailors' Chalks - - - - - ad val.	20 per cent. 25 per cent.	20 per cent. 30 per cent.	30 per cent. 35 per cent.
And on and after 9th October, 1931	20 per cent. 50 per cent.	20 per cent. 55 per cent.	30 per cent. 60 per cent.
225. (A) French Chalk and other preparations of Steatite, n.e.i. - - - - - ad val. (B) School Chalks - - - - - ad val. (C) Crayons and Pastels, including Solid Lead Pencils; Chalks, n.e.i. - - - - - ad val.	20 per cent. 25 per cent.	20 per cent. 30 per cent.	30 per cent. 35 per cent.”
240. By omitting the whole of sub-item (B) and inserting in its stead the following sub-item :— “ (B) Tiles, n.e.i.; Sheets and Roofing Slates composed of cement and asbestos or of similar materials; Articles n.e.i., composed wholly or in chief value of cement or of cement and asbestos, including articles of reinforced cement - - - - - ad val.	25 per cent.	30 per cent.	35 per cent.
And on and after 9th October, 1931	35 per cent.	40 per cent.	45 per cent.
(B) (1) Electrical insulating sheets, being sheets composed of asbestos and cement or similar materials - - - - - ad val. (2) Tiles, n.e.i.; Sheets, n.e.i. and Roofing Slates composed of cement and asbestos or of similar materials; Articles n.e.i., composed wholly or in chief value of cement and asbestos, including articles of reinforced cement - - - - - ad val.	35 per cent. 25 per cent.	40 per cent. 30 per cent.	45 per cent. 35 per cent.”
259. By omitting the whole item and inserting in its stead the following item :— “ 259. Roofing Slates, n.e.i. - - - - - ad val.	25 per cent.	30 per cent.	35 per cent.
And on and after 9th October, 1931	40 per cent.	50 per cent.	60 per cent.”
259. Roofing Slates n.e.i. - - - - - ad val.	40 per cent.	50 per cent.	60 per cent.”

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On the motion of Mr. Forde, &c.—*continued.*

	British Preferential Tariff.	Intermediate Tariff.	General Tariff.
316. By omitting the whole item and inserting in its stead the following item :— " 316. Imitation, Reconstructed, and Synthetic Precious Stones and Pearls, unset; Cultured Pearls, unset - ad val. And on and after 9th October, 1931	Free	Free	20 per cent.
316. Imitation Reconstructed and Synthetic Precious Stones and Pearls, undrilled and unset; Cultured Pearls, unset - ad val.	Free	Free	20 per cent."

Preliminary matter with reference to the Customs Tariff agreed to.  
Amendments to Prefatory Notes agreed to.  
Resolution to be reported and leave asked to sit again.

The House resumed; Mr. McGrath reported accordingly.

Resolved—That the House will, at a later hour this day, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

Mr. Forde moved, That the Resolution be now recommitted to the Committee of Ways and Means for the reconsideration of Items numbered 78 and 180.

Question—put and passed.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House again resolved itself into the Committee of Ways and Means.

(In the Committee.)

On recommittal—

Item numbered 78, viz. :—

	British Preferential Tariff.	Intermediate Tariff.	General Tariff.
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(F) Peanuts, unshelled " On and after 16th May, 1931 * * * * * per lb.	2d. *	3d. *	4d." *

On the motion of Mr. Forde, the Item was amended by inserting, in lieu of sub-item (F) inserted on 15th May, 1931, the following sub-item :—

	British Preferential Tariff.	Intermediate Tariff.	General Tariff.
By omitting the whole of sub-item (F) and inserting in its stead the following sub-item :— " (F) Peanuts - - - - - per lb. And on and after 16th May, 1931 (F) Peanuts, unshelled - - - - - per lb.	2d. 2d.	3d. 3d.	4d. 4d."

Item, as amended, agreed to.  
Item numbered 180, viz. :—

	British Preferential Tariff.	Intermediate Tariff.	General Tariff.
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By omitting the whole of sub-item (g) (twice occurring) and inserting in its stead the following sub-item :— " And on and after 2nd October, 1931 (g) Storage batteries and parts thereof, viz. :— (1) Storage batteries for wireless receiving sets and storage batteries suitable for use in motor cars otherwise than for propulsion purposes - ad val. (2) Composition parts including containers for storage batteries for wireless receiving sets and for storage batteries suitable for use in motor cars otherwise than for propulsion purposes - per lb. and ad val.	50 per cent. 2d. 40 per cent. *	57½ per cent. 2½d. 47½ per cent. *	70 per cent. 2½d. 60 per cent." *

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On the motion of Mr. Forde, the Item was amended by inserting, in lieu of sub-item (g) inserted on the 1st October, 1931, the following sub-item :—

	British Preferential Tariff.	Intermediate Tariff.	General Tariff.
By omitting the whole of sub-item (g) (twice occurring) and inserting in its stead the following sub-item :—			
“(a) Storage batteries suitable for use in motor cars otherwise than for propulsion purposes - ad val. And on and after 2nd October, 1931	40 per cent.	47½ per cent.	60 per cent.
(a) Storage batteries and parts thereof, viz. :—			
(1) Storage batteries for wireless receiving sets and storage batteries suitable for use in motor cars otherwise than for propulsion purposes - ad val.	50 per cent.	57½ per cent.	70 per cent.
(2) Composition parts including containers for storage batteries for wireless receiving sets and for storage batteries suitable for use in motor cars otherwise than for propulsion purposes - per lb.	2d.	2½d.	2½d.
and ad val.	40 per cent.	47½ per cent.	60 per cent.”

Item, as amended, agreed to  
Resolution 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.

Mr. Scullin (Prime Minister) 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. Forde, was adopted by the House.

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

6. CUSTOMS TARIFF BILL (1931).—Mr. Forde (Minister for Trade and Customs) then brought up a Bill intituled “*A Bill for an Act relating to Duties of Customs*,” and moved, That it be now read a first time.

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

Mr. Forde moved, That the Bill be now read a second time.

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

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

(In the Committee.)

Bill, by leave, taken as a whole, and agreed to.

Bill to be reported without amendment.

The House resumed ; Mr. McGrath reported accordingly.

On the motion of Mr. Forde, the House adopted the Report, and, after debate, the Bill was read a third time.

7. ALTERATION OF HOUR OF NEXT MEETING.—Mr. Scullin (Prime Minister) moved, That the House, at its rising, adjourn until half-past two o'clock p.m. this day.

Question—put and passed.

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

Question—put and passed.

And then the House, at ten minutes past four o'clock in the morning, adjourned until this day 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. Donald Cameron, Mr. Eldridge, Mr. Josiah Francis\*, Mr. James, Mr. Lacey\*, Mr. Lazzarini, Mr. Mathews\*, and Mr. Nelson.

\* On leave.

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