# THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA, CANBERRA.

### VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

## HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

No. 23.

#### FRIDAY, 6TH MAY, 1932.

- The House met, at half-past ten o'clock a.m., pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker (the Honorable G. H. Mackay) took the Chair, and read Prayers.
- 2. Paper.—The following Paper was presented, pursuant to Statute— Defence Act—Royal Military College—Report for yeer 1931.
- 3. Commonwealth Bank Bill (1932).—Mr. Bruce (Assistant Treasurer) moved, pursuant to notice, That he have leave to bring in a Bill for an Act to amend the Commonwealth Bank Act 1911-1931. Question—put and passed.
- 4. LOAN (UNEMPLOYMENT RELIEF WORKS) 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. Rosevear 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 a later hour this day.
- 5. Notice of Motions—Leave to Give not Granted.—Mr. Lyons (Prime Minister) asked leave of the House to give Notice of two Motions.

  Objection being raised, leave not granted.
- Suspension of Standing Orders.—Mr. Lyons (Prime Minister) moved, That the Standing Orders
  be suspended to enable the Prime Minister to give notice of two Motions.

  Question—put.

The House divided (The Speaker, Mr. Mackay, in the Chair)-

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Aye	s, 40.	Noes, 11.		
Mr. Aubrey Abbott	Mr. Lyons	Mr. Blakeley		
Mr. Blacklow	Mr. Marr	Mr. Forde		
	Mr. Maxwell	Mr. James		
Mr. Malcolm Cameron	Mr. McBride	Mr. George Lawson		
Mr. Thomas Collins	Mr. McClelland	Mr. Makin		
Mr. Bernard Corser	Mr. Nairn	Mr. Riordan		
Mr. Dein	Mr. Nock	Mr. Rosevear		
Mr. Josiah Francis	Mr. Parkhill	Mr. Scullin		
Mr. Gabb	Mr. Thomas Paterson	Mr. Watkins		
Mr. Gibson	Mr. Perkins			
Mr. Gregory	Mr. Price	Tellers:		
Sir Littleton Groom	Mr. Prowse	Mr. Gander		
Mr. Gullett	Mr. Stacey	Mr. Martens		
Mr. E. J. Harrison	Mr. Frederick Stewart			
Mr. Hill	Mr. Thompson			
Mr. Holman	Mr. William Watson			
Mr. Hughes	Mr. White			
Mr. Hutchin				
Mr. Hutchinson	Tellers:			
Mr. Jennings	Mr. Gardner			
Mr. John Lawson	Mr. McNicoll			

And so it was resolved in the affirmative by an absolute majority of the Members of the House.

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- 7. Notice of Motions Given.—Mr. Lyons (Prime Minister) gave notice of two Motions.
- 8. LOAN (UNEMPLOYMENT RELIEF WORKS) 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.

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.)

Clause 1 agreed to.

Clause 2-

Mr. James moved, as an amendment, That the words "One million eight hundred thousand" be omitted with a view to the insertion of the words "Three million" in place thereof.

Temporary Chairman's Ruling.—The Temporary Chairman (Mr. Malcolm Cameron) ruled the amendment out of order, on the ground that its effect would be to increase the amount of the appropriation required.

Mr. James moved, as an amendment, That the words "eight hundred thousand" be omitted with a view to the insertion of the words "seven hundred and ninety-nine thousand nine hundred and ninety-nine" in place thereof.

Amendment negatived.

Clause agreed to.

Clause 3 agreed to.

Clause 4-

Mr. Rosevear moved, as an amendment, That the words "an Employment Council, established by the State in which the works are to be carried out, on which there are two representatives of the Commonwealth nominated by the Treasurer" (page 2, lines 17-20) be omitted with a view to the insertion of the words "the Government of the State" in place thereof.

Debate ensued.

Closure.—Mr. Lyons (Prime Minister) moved, That the question be now put.

Question—That the question be now put—put.

The Committee divided (The Temporary Chairman, Mr. Malcolm Cameron, in the Chair)-

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Ayes,	<i>•</i> 00.

Mr. Aubrey Abbott	Mr. John Lawson
Mr. Blacklow	Mr. Lyons
Mr. Bruce	Mr. Marr
Mr. Thomas Collins	
Mr. Bernard Corser	
Mr. Dein	Mr. Nairn
Mr. Josiah Francis	Mr. Nock
Mr. Gabb	Mr. Parkhill
Mr. Gibson	Mr. Thomas Paterson
Mr. Roland Green	Mr. Perkins
Mr. Gregory	Mr. Price
Sir Littleton Groom	Mr. Prowse
Mr. Gullett	Mr. Stacey
Mr. E. J. Harrison	Mr. Thompson
Mr. Hill	Mr. William Watson
Mr. Hill Mr. Holman	Mr. White
Mr. Hughes	mi. white
Mr. Hutchin	Tellers:
	Mr. Gardner
Mr. Jennings	Mr. McNicoll

Noes, 6.

Mr. Blakeley Mr. Albert Green Mr. James Mr. E. C. Riley

Tellers: Mr. Gander Mr. Rosevear

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

And the question—That the words proposed to be omitted stand part of the clause—being accordingly put, was passed.

Clause agreed to.

Clause 5-

Mr. James moved, as an amendment, That the word "may" (page 2, line 28) be omitted with a view to the insertion of the word "shall" in place thereof.

Debate ensued.

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

Question—That the question be now put—put. The Committee divided (The Temporary Chairman, Mr. Malcolm Cameron, in the Chair)—

Noes, 3. Ayes, 23. Mr. James Mr. Aubrey Abbott Mr. Maxwell Mr. Nairn Mr. Bruce Tellers: Mr. Thomas Paterson Mr. Josiah Francis Mr. Price Mr. Prowse Mr. Gander Mr. Gabb Mr. Gibson Mr. Roland Green Mr. Rosevear Mr. Stacey Mr. William Watson Mr. Gregory Sir Littleton Groom Mr. White Mr. Gullett Mr. Hill Tellers: Mr. Hutchinson Mr. Lyons Mr. Gardner Mr. Mackay Mr. Thompson

There not being the number of Ayes requisite in accordance with the Standing Order, The Temporary Chairman (Mr. Malcolm Cameron) announced that the motion for the closure had not been carried. Question—That the word proposed to be omitted stand part of the clause—put.

The Committee divided (The Temporary Chairman, Mr. Malcolm Cameron, in the Chair)-

Ayes, 32.		Noes, 3.
Mr. Aubrey Abbott	Mr. Makin	Mr. James
Mr. Bruce	Mr. Martens	/m 33
Mr. Forde	Mr. Maxwell	Tellers:
Mr. Josiah Francis	Mr. Nairn	
Mr. Gabb	Mr. Thomas Paterson	Mr. Gander
Mr. Gibson	Mr. Price	Mr. Rosevear
Mr. Albert Green	Mr. Prowse	
Mr. Roland Green	Mr. Riordan	
Mr. Gregory	Mr. Scullin	
Sir Littleton Groom	Mr. Stacey	
Mr. Gullett	Mr. Watkins	
Mr. Hill	Mr. William Watson	
Mr. Holloway	Mr. White	
Mr. Hutchinson	Tellers:	
Mr. George Lawson	i chers.	
Mr. Lyons	Mr. Gardner	
Mr. Mackay	Mr Thompson	

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Closure.—Mr. Lyons moved, That the question—That the clause be agreed to—be now put. Question—That the question be now put—put.

The Committee divided (The Temporary Chairman, Mr. Malcolm Cameron, in the Chair)-

Noes, 3. Ayes, 28. Mr. James Mr. Maxwell Mr. Aubrey Abbott Mr. Bruce Mr. McClelland Mr. Nairn Mr. Thomas Paterson Mr. Forde Tellers: Mr. Josiah Francis Mr. Gander Mr. Price Mr. Gabb Mr. Rosevear Mr. Prowse Mr. Gibson Mr. Roland Green Mr. Scullin Mr. Gregory Mr. Stacey Mr. Watkins Sir Littleton Groom Mr. William Watson Mr. Gullett Mr. Hill Mr. White Mr. Hutchinson Tellers: Mr. Lyons Mr. Makin Mr. Gardner Mr. Thompson

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

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

Clause 6 agreed to.
Title agreed to.

Bill to be reported without amendment.

The House resumed; Mr. Malcolm Cameron reported accordingly. On the motion of Mr. Lyons, the House adopted the Report.

Mr. Lyons moved, That the Bill be now read a third time.

Mr. James rising to address the House-

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

Question—That the question be now put—put. The House divided (The Speaker, Mr. Mackay, in the Chair)—

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

And the question-That the Bill be now read a third time-being accordingly put, was passed.-Bill read a third time.

9. Adjournment—Count-out.—Mr. Lyons (Prime Minister) moved, That the House do now adjourn. Debate ensued.

Mr. White called the attention of Mr. Speaker to the fact that a quorum of Members was not present. The Bells having been rung, and a quorum not having been obtained within the prescribed time, Mr. Speaker thereupon, at eight minutes to five o'clock p.m., adjourned the House 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. Beasley, Mr. Bell, Mr. Casey, Mr. Dennis, Mr. Fenton, Mr. Guy, Mr. E. F. Harrison, Mr. Hawker, Mr. Hunter\*, Mr. Lane, Mr. Latham\*, Mr. W. Maloney, Mr. McGrath, Mr. Earle Page, Mr. Scholfield, Mr. Thorby, and Mr. Ward.

• On leave.

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