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THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA,
CANBERRA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

No. 35.

FRIDAY, 2ND SEPTEMBER, 1932.

1. 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. ALTERATION OF DAY OF NEXT MEETING.—Mr. Lyons (Prime Minister) moved, That the House, at its rising, adjourn until Wednesday next at three o'clock p.m.
Question—put and passed.
3. PAPER.—The following Paper was presented, pursuant to Statute—
Northern Territory Acceptance Act and Northern Territory (Administration) Act—Ordinance of 1932—No. 16—Dingo Destruction (No. 2).
4. DEBATE ON COGNATE BILLS—MR. SPEAKER'S RULING.—Mr. Lyons (Prime Minister) asked Mr. Speaker to advise the House whether debate on the South Australia Grant Bill could include debate on the Western Australia Grant Bill and the Tasmania Grant Bill.
Mr. Speaker pointed out that while the Standing Orders did not provide for a debate to cover more than one Bill, there were precedents in the House for the course sought by the Prime Minister. Mr. Speaker McDonald had permitted simultaneous debate on two Bills proposing Constitutional amendments, while Mr. Speaker Makin had allowed similar procedure on two occasions, namely, when two Bills proposing Constitutional amendments were before the House, and when a series of Sales Tax Bills were discussed together. These precedents were fortified by the following extract from *May*:—"When Bills, in the charge of the Government, dealing with subjects bound together by a common principle, stand in a series upon the notice paper, debate on the first Bill may include therein a discussion of the Bills of a cognate character".
5. SOUTH AUSTRALIA GRANT BILL (1932).—The Order of the Day having been read for the second reading—Mr. Lyons (Treasurer) moved, That the Bill be now read a second time.
Mr. Makin 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. WESTERN AUSTRALIA GRANT BILL (1932).—The Order of the Day having been read for the second reading—Mr. Lyons (Treasurer) moved, That the Bill be now read a second time.
Mr. Forde 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.
7. TASMANIA GRANT BILL (1932).—The Order of the Day having been read for the second reading—
Mr. Lyons (Treasurer) moved, That the Bill be now read a second time.
Mr. Forde 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. WAYS AND MEANS [CUSTOMS TARIFF AMENDMENT (No. 3)].—The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Ways and Means.

(In the Committee.)

[See proposed Resolution for Customs Tariff Amendment of the 3rd May, 1932 (pages 145–152.)
Item numbered 113, viz. :—

	British Preferential Tariff.	Intermediate Tariff.	General Tariff.
113. By omitting the whole of sub-item (A) and inserting in its stead the following sub-item :— “(A) Harvesting, Driving, Housemaids', and Gardening per dozen pairs or ad val. whichever rate returns the higher duty.”	2s. 25 per cent.	2s. 6d. 35 per cent.	3s. 40 per cent.

Debate ensued.

Question—That the Item be agreed to—put.

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

Ayes, 41.

Mr. Aubrey Abbott	Mr. Lyons
Mr. Blacklow	Mr. Marr
Mr. Malcolm Cameron	Mr. Maxwell
Mr. Casey	Mr. McBride
Mr. Thomas Collins	Mr. McNicoll
Mr. Dein	Mr. Nock
Mr. Fenton	Mr. Earle Page
Mr. Josiah Francis	Mr. Parkhill
Mr. Gabb	Mr. Thomas Paterson
Mr. Gibson	Mr. Perkins
Mr. Roland Green	Mr. Price
Mr. Gregory	Mr. Prowse
Sir Littleton Groom	Mr. Scholfield
Mr. E. F. Harrison	Mr. Stacey
Mr. E. J. Harrison	Mr. Frederick Stewart
Mr. Hawker	Mr. Thompson
Mr. Hill	Mr. White
Mr. Hutchinson	
Mr. Jennings	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. Lane	
Mr. Latham	Mr. Gardner
Mr. John Lawson	Mr. Hunter

Noes, 17.

Mr. Baker
Mr. Beasley
Mr. Blakeley
Mr. Dennis
Mr. Forde
Mr. Albert Green
Mr. Holloway
Mr. James
Mr. Makin
Mr. Martens
Mr. Riordan
Mr. Rosevear
Mr. Scullin
Mr. Ward
Mr. Watkins

Tellers:

Mr. Gander
Mr. E. C. Riley

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Item numbered 170, viz. :—

	British Preferential Tariff.	Intermediate Tariff.	General Tariff.
170. By omitting the whole of sub-item (A) and inserting in its stead the following sub-item :— “(A) (1) Earth and Rock Cutting, Dredging, and Excavating machinery, n.e.i. . . . ad val. (2) Dredging and excavating machinery of the shovel, backfiller, skimmer, grab, dragline, or similar types, wholly or partly revolving or self-propelling or wholly or partly revolving and self-propelling— (a) Of a working weight up to and including 45 tons ad val. (b) Of a working weight exceeding 45 tons but not exceeding 75 tons ad val. (c) Of a working weight exceeding 75 tons ad val.”	27½ per cent. 45 per cent. 27½ per cent. Free	35 per cent. 55 per cent. 35 per cent. 5 per cent.	40 per cent. 60 per cent. 40 per cent. 10 per cent.”

Ordered—That the Item be divided.
Paragraph (1) agreed to.

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Paragraph (2)—

Mr. Thomas Paterson moved, That the paragraph be amended by adding the following to sub-paragraph (a) :—

	British Preferential Tariff.	Intermediate Tariff.	General Tariff.
“ And on and after 3rd September, 1932 (a) Of a working weight up to and including 45 tons - - ad val.	27½ per cent.	35 per cent.	40 per cent.”

Debate ensued.

Question—That the amendment be agreed to—put.

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

Ayes, 22.

Noes, 42.

Mr. Aubrey Abbott	Mr. Nairn	Mr. Baker	Mr. George Lawson
Mr. Malcolm Cameron	Mr. Nock	Mr. Beasley	Mr. Lyons
Mr. Thomas Collins	Mr. Earle Page	Mr. Blacklow	Mr. Makin
Mr. Gabb	Mr. Thomas Paterson	Mr. Blakeley	Mr. W. Maloney
Mr. Gibson	Mr. Prowse	Mr. Casey	Mr. Marr
Mr. Roland Green	Mr. Scholfield	Mr. Bernard Corser	Mr. Martens
Mr. Gregory	Mr. Thompson	Mr. Dein	Mr. Maxwell
Mr. E. J. Harrison	Mr. William Watson	Mr. Dennis	Mr. Parkhill
Mr. Hill		Mr. Fenton	Mr. Perkins
Mr. Hutchinson	<i>Tellers:</i>	Mr. Forde	Mr. Price
Mr. John Lawson	Mr. Hunter	Mr. Josiah Francis	Mr. Riordan
Mr. McBride	Mr. McNicoll	Mr. Gander	Mr. Rosevear
		Mr. Albert Green	Mr. Scullin
		Sir Littleton Groom	Mr. Stacey
		Mr. E. F. Harrison	Mr. Frederick Stewart
		Mr. Hawker	Mr. Ward
		Mr. Holloway	Mr. Watkins
		Mr. Hutchin	Mr. White
		Mr. James	
		Mr. Jennings	<i>Tellers:</i>
		Mr. Lane	Mr. Gardner
		Mr. Latham	Mr. E. C. Riley

And so it was negatived.

Paragraph agreed to.

Item numbered 172, viz. :—

	British Preferential Tariff.	Intermediate Tariff.	General Tariff.
172. By omitting the whole item and inserting in its stead the following item :— “ 172. (A) Mangles and Clothes Washing Machines for household use - - ad val. (B) Clothes Wringers for household use - ad val.	12½ per cent. 40 per cent.	20 per cent. 45 per cent.	25 per cent. 50 per cent.”

Debate ensued.

Mr. Earle Page 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 3rd September, 1932 (B) Clothes Wringers for household use - ad val.	12½ per cent.	20 per cent.	25 per cent.”

Debate continued.

Question—That the amendment be agreed to—put.

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

Ayes, 27.		Noes, 31.	
Mr. Aubrey Abbott	Mr. McBride	Mr. Baker	Mr. Latham
Mr. Blacklow	Mr. Nairn	Mr. Beasley	Mr. Lyons
Mr. Malcolm Cameron	Mr. Nock	Mr. Blakeley	Mr. Makin
Mr. Casey	Mr. Earle Page	Mr. Bernard Corser	Mr. W. Maloney
Mr. Thomas Collins	Mr. Thomas Paterson	Mr. Dein	Mr. Marr
Mr. Gabb	Mr. Prowse	Mr. Dennis	Mr. Martens
Mr. Gibson	Mr. Scholfield	Mr. Fenton	Mr. Perkins
Mr. Roland Green	Mr. Frederick Stewart	Mr. Forde	Mr. Price
Mr. Gregory	Mr. Thompson	Mr. Josiah Francis	Mr. Rosevear
Mr. E. F. Harrison	Mr. William Watson	Mr. Gander	Mr. Scullin
Mr. E. J. Harrison		Mr. Albert Green	Mr. Ward
Mr. Hill		Sir Littleton Groom	Mr. Watkins
Mr. Hutchinson	<i>Tellers:</i>	Mr. Holloway	
Mr. John Lawson	Mr. McNicoll	Mr. Hutchin	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. Maxwell	Mr. White	Mr. James	Mr. Gardner
		Mr. Jennings	Mr. E. C. Riley
		Mr. Lane	

And so it was negatived.

Item agreed to.

Item numbered 176 postponed.

Item numbered 179, viz. :—

	British Preferential Tariff.	Intermediate Tariff.	General Tariff.
179. By omitting the whole of sub-item (A) and inserting in its stead the following sub-item :—			
“ (A) Electric Heating and Cooking Appliances—			
(1) Stoves, Ranges and the like, including elements therefor whether imported separately or forming part of a complete appliance - - - - ad val.	32½ per cent.	40 per cent.	45 per cent.
(2) Radiators and Toasters - - - - each	4s.	5s.	6s.
or ad val.	27½ per cent.	35 per cent.	40 per cent.
whichever rate returns the higher duty.			
(3) Kettles - - - - each	6s.	7s. 6d.	9s.
or ad val.	27½ per cent.	35 per cent.	40 per cent.
whichever rate returns the higher duty.			
(4) Elements for radiators, toasters and kettles each	1s. 6d.	2s.	2s. 6d.
or ad val.	27½ per cent.	35 per cent.	40 per cent.
whichever rate returns the higher duty.			
(5) N.E.I. - - - - ad val.	27½ per cent.	35 per cent.	40 per cent.”

Mr. Gregory moved, That the Item be amended by adding the following to paragraph (2) :—

	British Preferential Tariff.	Intermediate Tariff.	General Tariff.
“ And on and after 3rd September, 1932			
(2) Radiators and Toasters - - - - ad val.	27½ per cent.	35 per cent.	40 per cent.”

Debate ensued.

Question—That the amendment be agreed to—put.

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

Ayes, 18.		Noes, 42.	
Mr. Aubrey Abbott	Mr. Baker	Mr. Lyons	
Mr. Blacklow	Mr. Beasley	Mr. Makin	
Mr. Malcolm Cameron	Mr. Casey	Mr. W. Maloney	
Mr. Thomas Collins	Mr. Bernard Corser	Mr. Marr	
Mr. Gabb	Mr. Dein	Mr. Martens	
Mr. Gibson	Mr. Dennis	Mr. Maxwell	
Mr. Roland Green	Mr. Fenton	Mr. Parkhill	
Mr. Gregory	Mr. Forde	Mr. Perkins	
Mr. Hill	Mr. Josiah Francis	Mr. Price	
Mr. Nairn	Mr. Gander	Mr. Riordan	
Mr. Nock	Mr. Albert Green	Mr. Rosevear	
Mr. Earle Page	Sir Littleton Groom	Mr. Scholfield	
Mr. Thomas Paterson	Mr. E. F. Harrison	Mr. Scullin	
Mr. Prowse	Mr. E. J. Harrison	Mr. Stacey	
Mr. Thompson	Mr. Holloway	Mr. Frederick Stewart	
Mr. William Watson	Mr. Hutchin	Mr. Ward	
	Mr. James	Mr. Watkins	
	Mr. Jennings	Mr. White	
	Mr. Lane		<i>Tellers:</i>
	Mr. Latham	Mr. Gardner	
	Mr. George Lawson	Mr. E. C. Riley	
	Mr. John Lawson		

And so it was negatived.

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Item agreed to.

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

The House resumed ; Mr. Bell reported accordingly.

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

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

Debate ensued.

Question—put and passed.

And then the House, at eleven minutes past four o'clock p.m., adjourned until Wednesday next at three o'clock p.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT.—All Members were present (at some time during the sitting) except—Mr. Anstey, Mr. Bruce, Mr. Gullett, Mr. Guy, Mr. Holman, Mr. Hughes, Mr. McClelland, Mr. McGrath, Mr. Nelson, and Mr. Thorby.

E. W. PARKES,

Clerk of the House of Representatives.