THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA, CANBERRA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

REPRESENTATIVES. HOUSE OF

No. 43.

THURSDAY, 22ND SEPTEMBER, 1932.

- 1. The House met, at half-past two o'clock p.m., pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker (the Honorable G. H. Mackay) took the Chair, and read Prayers.
- 2. Papers.—The following Paper was presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor-General-Newnes Shale Oil Undertaking-Agreement, dated 12th May, 1932, between the Commonwealth of Australia of the first part, the Shale Oil Development Committee Limited of the second part, and R. A. Treganowan and C. O. Chambers of the third part, together with documents ancillary thereto.

Ordered to lie on the Table.

The following Papers were presented, pursuant to Statute-

Dairy Produce Export Control Act-Seventh Annual Report of the Dairy Produce Control Board, for year ended 30th June, 1932, together with a statement by the Minister regarding the operation of the Act.

Northern Territory Acceptance Act and Northern Territory (Administration) Act-Ordinance of 1932-No. 18-Prison.

3. FINANCIAL EMERGENCY BILL (1932).—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—And on the amendment moved thereto by Mr. Scullin, viz.:—That all the words after "That" be omitted with a view to the insertion of the following words in place thereof:—"the Bill be withdrawn and redrafted for the purpose of re-adjusting the Government's financial proposals in order to rectify the gross injustice which the Bili imposes on the poorer section of the community ".

Debate resumed.

Several honorable Members rising to address the House-

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

Mr. McNicoll

Question—That the question be now put—put.

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

Ayes,	41.
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Ayes, 41.			
Mr. Aubrey Abbott	Mr. Lyons		
Mr. Bell	Mr. Marr		
Mr. Blacklow	Mr. Maxwell		
Mr. Malcolm Cameron	Mr. McClelland		
Mr. Casey	Mr. McGrath		
	Mr. Nairn		
Mr. Dennis	Mr. Nairn Mr. Nock Mr. Parkhill		
Mr. Josiah Francis	Mr. Parkhill		
Mr. Gibson	Mr. Thomas Paterson		
Mr. Gregory	Mr. Perkins		
Mr. Guy	Mr. Price		
Mr. E. F. Harrison			
Mr. E. J. Harrison	Mr. Scholfield		
Mr. Hawker	Mr. Stacey		
Mr. Hill	Mr. Frederick Stewart		
Mr. Holman	Mr. Thorby		
Mr. Hutchin	Mr. White		
Mr. Hutchinson			
Mr. Jennings	Tellers:		
Mr. Lane	1 etters:		
Mr. Latham	Mr. Gardner		

Noes, 24.

Mr. Anstey	Mr. George Lawson
Mr. Baker	Mr. Makin
Mr. Beasley	Mr. W. Maloney
Mr. Blakeley	Mr. Martens
Mr. Thomas Collins	Mr. Riordan
Mr. Bernard Corser	Mr. Rosevear
Mr. Forde	Mr. Scullin
Mr. Gabb	Mr. Ward
Mr. Gander	Mr. William Watson
Mr. Albert Green	
Sir Littleton Groom	Tellers:
Mr. Holloway	Mr. Hunter
Mr. James	Mr. Watkins

Mr. John Lawson

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

22nd September, 1932.

And the question—That the words proposed to be omitted stand part of the question—being accordingly put—

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

Ayes, 43.

Mr. Lyons
Mr. Marr
Mr. Maxwell
Mr. McClelland
Mr. McGrath
Mr. McNicoll
Mr. Nairn
Mr. Nock
Mr. Parkhill
Mr. Thomas Paterson
Mr. Perkins
Mr. Price
Mr. Prowse
Mr. Scholfield
Mr. Stacey
Mr. Frederick Stewart
Mr. Thorby
Mr. White
Tellers:
Mr. Gardner
Mr. Hunter

Noes, 22.

Mr. Anstey	Mr. George Lawson
Mr. Baker	Mr. Makin
Mr. Beasley	Mr. W. Maloney
Mr. Blakeley	Mr. Martens
Mr. Bernard Corser	Mr. Riordan
Mr. Forde	Mr. Rosevear
Mr. Gabb	Mr. Scullin
Mr. Gander	Mr. William Watson
Mr. Albert Green	
Mr. Roland Green	Tellers:
Sir Littleton Groom	Mr. Ward
Mr. James	Mr. Watkins

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Question—That the Bill be now read a second time—put.

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

Ayes, 43.

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Mr. Aubrey Abbott	Mr. Lyons
Mr. Bell	Mr. Marr
Mr. Blacklow	Mr. Maxwell
Mr. Malcolm Cameron	Mr. McClelland
Mr. Casey	Mr. McGrath
Mr. Thomas Collins	Mr. McNicoll
Mr. Dein	Mr. Nairn
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Mr. Dennis	Mr. Nock
Mr. Josiah Francis	Mr. Parkhill
Mr. Gibson	Mr. Thomas Paterson
Mr. Gregory	Mr. Perkins
Mr. Guy	Mr. Price
Mr. E. F. Harrison	
Mr. E. J. Harrison	Mr. Scholfield
Mr. Hawker	Mr. Stacey
Mr. Hill	Mr. Frederick Stewart
Mr. Holman	Mr. Thorby
Mr. Hutchin	Mr. White
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Mr. Jennings	Tellers:
Mr. Lane	1.01013.
Mr. Latham	Mr. Gardner
Mr. John Lawson	Mr. Hunter
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Noes, 22.

Mr. Anstey Mr. Baker Mr. Beasley Mr. Blakeley Mr. Bernard Corser Mr. Forde Mr. Gabb Mr. Albert Green Mr. Roland Green Sir Littleton Groom Mr. James Mr. George Lawson	Mr. Makin Mr. W. Maloney Mr. Martens Mr. Riordan Mr. Rosevear Mr. Scullin Mr. Ward Mr. William Watson Tellers: Mr. Gander Mr. Watkins

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a second time.

Declaration of Bill as Urgent Bill.—Mr. Lyons having declared that the Bill was an Urgent Bill—Question—That the Bill be considered an Urgent Bill—put.

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

Noes, 25. Ayes, 40. Mr. Aubrey Abbott Mr. Bell Mr. Lyons Mr. Marr Mr. George Lawson Mr. Anstey Mr. Makin Mr. Baker Mr. W. Maloney Mr. Martens Mr. Riordan Mr. Maxwell Mr. Beasley Mr. Blacklow Mr. Blakeley Mr. Thomas Collins Mr. Malcolm Cameron Mr. McClelland Mr. Casey Mr. Dein Mr. McGrath Mr. Bernard Corser Mr. Rosevear Mr. Nairn Mr. Forde Mr. Scullin Mr. Ward Mr. Dennis Mr. Nock Mr. Parkhill Mr. Thomas Paterson Mr. Gabb Mr. Josiah Francis Mr. William Watson Mr. Albert Green Mr. Gibson Mr. Guy Mr. Perkins Mr. Roland Green Mr. E. F. Harrison Mr. E. J. Harrison Mr. Hawker Mr. Price Mr. Prowse Sir Littleton Groom Tellers: Mr. Holloway Mr. Gander Mr. Scholfield Mr. Hunter Mr. Watkins Mr. Hill Mr. James Mr. Stacey Mr. Holman Mr. Hutchin Mr. Frederick Stewart Mr. Thorby Mr. Hutchinson Mr. White Mr. Jennings Mr. Lane Mr. Latham Tellers: Mr. Gardner Mr. McNicoll Mr. John Lawson

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Allotment of Time.—Mr. Lyons then moved, That the time allotted in connexion with the Bill be as follows:—

- (a) For the Committee stage to the end of clause 11, until 2 o'clock a.m. to-morrow;
- (b) For the Committee stage to the end of clause 18, until 1 o'clock p.m. to-morrow;
- (c) For the remainder of the Committee stage, until 3.30 o'clock p.m. to-morrow;
- (d) For the remaining stages, until 3.45 o'clock p.m. to-morrow.

Debate ensued.

The time allowed by Standing Order No. 257B for the discussion of the motion having expired—Question—put.

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

Ayes, 39.	Noes, 25.
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Mr. Malcolm Cameron Mr. Casey Mr. Dein Mr. Dennis Mr. Josiah Francis Mr. Gibson Mr. Guy Mr. E. F. Harrison Mr. E. J. Harrison Mr. Hawker Mr. Hill Mr. Holman Mr. Hutchin Mr. Hutchinson Mr. Jennings Mr. Lane Mr. Latham	Mr. McGrath Mr. Nock Mr. Parkhill Mr. Thomas Paterson Mr. Perkins Mr. Price Mr. Prowse Mr. Scholfield Mr. Stacey Mr. Frederick Stewart Mr. Thorby Mr. White Tellers: Mr. Gardner	Mr. Baker Mr. Beasley Mr. Blakeley Mr. Thomas Collins Mr. Bernard Corser Mr. Forde Mr. Gabb Mr. Albert Green Mr. Roland Green Sir Littleton Groom Mr. Holloway Mr. Hunter Mr. James Mr. George Lawson	Mr. McNicoll Mr. Riordan Mr. Rosevear Mr. Scullin Mr. Ward
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And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

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

(In the Committee.)

Clause 1-

The Committee continuing to sit until after midnight-

FRIDAY, 23RD SEPTEMBER, 1932.

Mr. James moved, as an amendment, That after "1932" (page 1, line 5) the following words be added: -- "for the purpose of further enslaving the old-age and invalid pensioners, expectant mothers, public servants and wine-growers."

Chairman's Ruling.—The Chairman (Mr. Bell) ruled that the amendment was out of order, on the ground that it was not relevant to the Bill.

Dissent from Chairman's Ruling.—Mr. Beasley having handed in, in writing, an objection to the Ruling of the Chairman, moved, That the Ruling be dissented from.

Debate ensued

Question—put.

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

Ayes, 17.	Noes,	43.
Ayes, 17. Mr. Baker Mr. Beasley Mr. Blakeley Mr. Forde Mr. Albert Green Mr. Holloway Mr. James Mr. George Lawson Mr. Makin Mr. W. Maloney Mr. Riordan Mr. Rosevear Mr. Scullin Mr. Ward Tellers: Mr. Gander Mr. Watkins	Mr. Aubrey Abbott Mr. Blacklow Mr. Malcolm Cameron Mr. Casey Mr. Thomas Collins Mr. Bernard Corser Mr. Dein Mr. Dennis Mr. Josiah Francis Mr. Gibson Mr. Roland Green Sir Littleton Groom Mr. Guy Mr. E. F. Harrison Mr. E. J. Harrison Mr. Hawker Mr. Hill Mr. Holman Mr. Hutchin Mr. Hutchinson Mr. Jennings	Mr. John Lawson Mr. Lyons Mr. Marr Mr. Maxwell Mr. McClelland Mr. McGrath Mr. Nairn Mr. Noek Mr. Parkhill Mr. Thomas Paterson Mr. Perkins Mr. Price Mr. Prowse Mr. Scholfield Mr. Stacey Mr. Frederick Stewart Mr. Thorby Mr. White
	Mr. Lane Mr. Latham	Mr. Gardner Mr. McNicoll

And so it was negatived.

Mr. James moved, as an amendment, That the word "Pensions" (page 1, line 15) be omitted with a view to the insertion of the word "Mortgages" in place thereof.

Chairman's Ruling.—The Chairman ruled the amendment out of order on the ground that it was not relevant to the Bill.

Mr. Holloway moved, as an amendment, That after the word "Pensions" (page 1, line 15) the word "Curtailment" be inserted.

Chairman's Ruling.—The Chairman ruled the amendment out of order on the ground that it was not relevant to the clause.

Clause agreed to..

Clause 2 agreed to.

Clause 3 debated and agreed to.

Clause 4 agreed to.

Clause 5-

Mr. Gabb moved, as an amendment, That the word "twenty-five" (page 2, line 18) be omitted with a view to the insertion of the word "forty" in place thereof.

Debate ensued. Question-That the amendment be agreed to-put.

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

Mr. John Lawson
Mr. Lyons
Mr. Makin
Mr. W. Maloney
Mr. Marr
Mr. Martens
Mr. Maxwell
Mr. McGrath
Mr. McNicoll
Mr. Nairn
Mr. Parkhill
Mr. Thomas Paterson
Mr. Perkins
Mr. Price
Mr. Prowse
Mr. Riordan
Mr. Rosevear
Mr. Scholfield
Mr. Scullin
Mr. Frederick Stewart
Mr. Thorby
Mr. Ward
Mr. Watkins
Mr. White

Tellers:

Mr. Gardner Mr. Hunter

Mr. George Lawson

Mr. James Mr. Jennings

Mr. Lane Mr. Latham

Noes, 55.

Clause agreed to. Clause 6 debated-

Limitation of Debate.—At two o'clock a.m., the Chairman having called the attention of the Committee to the fact that the time allotted for the consideration of the Committee stage of the Bill, to the end of clause 11, had expired-

Question-That clauses 6 to 11, as amended by the printed and circulated amendments of the Government, be agreed to—put.

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

And so it was resolved in the affirmative. The printed and circulated amendments of the Government were accordingly made in the Bill, and

are as follows :-Page 2, clause 8, lines 35-37, omit paragraph (a).

Page 4, clause 10, after proposed new section 18n insert the following section :--

"18c. The salaries of members of the permanent Naval, Military and Air Forces, at the rates payable immediately prior to the commencement of this section, shall be subject to reduction to such extent, and in such manner, as are prescribed:

Reduction in salaries of Members of permanent Naval, Military and Air Forces.

Provided that the amount of reduction under this section in any such salary shall not exceed that which would have been effected under section eighteen a of this Act had that section applied to that salary.".

Mr. Lyons moved, That the Chairmam do report progress and ask leave to sit again. Question—put.

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

Ayes	, 46.	Noes, 17.
Mr. Aubrey Abbott Mr. Blacklow Mr. Malcolm Cameron	Mr. John Lawson Mr. Lyons Mr. Marr Mr. Maxwell	Mr. Baker Mr. Beasley Mr. Blakeley Mr. Forde Mr. Albert Green
Mr. Bernard Corser Mr. Dein Mr. Dennis Mr. Josiah Francis Mr. Gabb Mr. Gibson Mr. Roland Green Sir Littleton Groom Mr. Guy	Mr. McGrath Mr. McNicoll Mr. Nairn Mr. Nock Mr. Parkhill Mr. Thomas Paterson Mr. Perkins Mr. Price Mr. Prowse	Mr. Holloway Mr. James Mr. George Lawson Mr. Makin Mr. W. Maloney Mr. Martens Mr. Riordan Mr. Rosevear Mr. Scullin
Mr. Hill Mr. Holman Mr. Hutchin Mr. Hutchinson Mr. Jennings	Mr. Stacey Mr. Frederick Stewart Mr. Thorby Mr. William Watson Mr. White Tellers: Mr. Gardner Mr. Hunter	Mr. Ward Tellers: Mr. Gander Mr. Watkins

The House resumed; Mr. Bell reported accordingly.

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

22nd and 23rd September, 1932.

- 4. Adjournment—Count-out.—Mr. Lyons (Prime Minister) moved, That the House do now adjourn. Debate ensued.
 - Mr. McGrath 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 twenty minutes past two o'clock in the morning, adjourned the House until half-past ten o'clock a.m. this day.

Members Present.—All Members were present (at some time during the sitting) except—Mr. Bruce*, Mr. Fenton, Mr. Gullett, Mr Hughes*, Mr. Earle Page, Mr. E. C. Riley, and Mr. Thompson.

• On leave.

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