

1932.

THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA,
CANBERRA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

No. 54.

TUESDAY, 25TH OCTOBER, 1932.

1. The House met, at three o'clock p.m., pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker (the Honorable G. H. Mackay) took the Chair, and read Prayers.
2. PAPERS.—The following Papers were presented, pursuant to Statute—
River Murray Waters Act—River Murray Commission—Report for year 1931-32; together with Statements showing gaugings made at Gauging Stations, and quantities of water diverted from the River Murray and tributaries.
Ordered.—That the Report be printed.
Naval Defence Act—Regulations Amended—Statutory Rules 1932, Nos. 116, 117.
3. PRECEDENCE TO GOVERNMENT BUSINESS.—Mr. Parkhill (Postmaster-General) for Mr. Lyons (Prime Minister) moved, pursuant to notice, That on each sitting day, unless otherwise ordered, Government Business shall take precedence of General Business.
Debate ensued.
Question—put and passed.
4. SUPPLY [ESTIMATES, 1932-33].—The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.

(In the Committee.)

Postponed Vote—"The Parliament, £59,200"—debated—
Mr. Gabb moved, as an amendment, That the amount be reduced by £1.
Debate continued.
Amendment temporarily withdrawn, by leave.
Ordered—That the Vote be considered by Divisions.
Division No. 1—The Senate, £8,991—
Mr. Nairn moved, as an amendment, That the Item, "Clerk of the Senate, £1,350" be reduced by £350.
Debate ensued.
Amendment withdrawn, by leave.
Debate continued.
Division agreed to.
Division No. 2—The House of Representatives, £14,422—agreed to.
Division No. 3—Parliamentary Reporting Staff, £11,136—debated and agreed to.
Division No. 4—The Library, £6,840—debated and agreed to.
Division No. 5—Australian Historical Records, £5—agreed to.
Division No. 6—Joint House Department, £17,806—
Mr. Gabb moved, as an amendment, That the amount be reduced by £1.
Debate ensued.

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Question—That the amount proposed to be reduced be so reduced—put.
The Committee divided (The Chairman, Mr. Bell, in the Chair)—

Ayes, 4.

Mr. Gabb
Mr. Maxwell

Tellers:
Mr. William Watson
Mr. White

Noes, 47.

Mr. Baker	Mr. Lane
Mr. Beasley	Mr. George Lawson
Mr. Blacklow	Mr. John Lawson
Mr. Blakeley	Mr. Makin
Mr. Malcolm Cameron	Mr. Marr
Mr. Casey	Mr. Martens
Mr. Bernard Corser	Mr. McBride
Mr. Dein	Mr. McClelland
Mr. Dennis	Mr. McNicoll
Mr. Fenton	Mr. Noek
Mr. Forde	Mr. Parkhill
Mr. Josiah Francis	Mr. Perkins
Mr. Gander	Mr. Prowse
Mr. Albert Green	Mr. Riordan
Mr. Roland Green	Mr. Rosevear
Mr. Gregory	Mr. Scholfield
Sir Littleton Groom	Mr. Scullin
Mr. Guy	Mr. Stacey
Mr. E. F. Harrison	Mr. Thorby
Mr. E. J. Harrison	Mr. Ward
Mr. Holloway	
Mr. Hunter	
Mr. Hutchinson	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. James	Mr. Gardner
Mr. Jennings	Mr. E. C. Riley

And so it was negatived.

Division agreed to.

Postponed Vote—"The Department of the Treasury, £666,200"—debated—

Mr. James moved, as an amendment, That the Item "Secretary, £1,500" be reduced by £1.

Debate continued.

Question—That the amount proposed to be reduced be so reduced—put.

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

Ayes, 16.

Mr. Baker
Mr. Beasley
Mr. Blakeley
Mr. Forde
Mr. Gabb
Mr. Albert Green
Mr. Holloway
Mr. James
Mr. George Lawson

Mr. Makin
Mr. Riordan
Mr. Rosevear
Mr. Ward
Mr. William Watson

Tellers:
Mr. Gander
Mr. E. C. Riley

Noes, 28.

Mr. Blacklow	Mr. Maxwell
Mr. Malcolm Cameron	Mr. McBride
Mr. Casey	Mr. Nairn
Mr. Dein	Mr. Noek
Mr. Dennis	Mr. Parkhill
Mr. Josiah Francis	Mr. Perkins
Mr. Gregory	Mr. Prowse
Mr. Guy	Mr. Scholfield
Mr. E. F. Harrison	Mr. Stacey
Mr. E. J. Harrison	Mr. Thorby
Mr. Hutchinson	Mr. White
Mr. Jennings	
Mr. Lane	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. John Lawson	Mr. Gardner
Mr. Marr	Mr. McNicoll

And so it was negatived.

Debate continued.

The Committee continuing to sit until after midnight—

WEDNESDAY, 26TH OCTOBER, 1932.

Debate continued.

Vote 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.

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5. ADJOURNMENT.—Mr. Parkhill (Postmaster-General) moved, That the House do now adjourn.
Question—put and passed.

And then the House, at six minutes past twelve o'clock midnight, 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. Aubrey Abbott, Mr. Anstey, Mr. Bruce*, Mr. Thomas Collins, Mr. Gibson, Mr. Gullett, Mr. Hawker, Mr. Hill, Mr. Holman, Mr. Hughes*, Mr. Hutchin, Mr. Latham, Mr. Lyons, Mr. W. Maloney, Mr. McGrath, Mr. Nelson, Mr. Earle Page, Mr. Thomas Paterson, Mr. Price, Mr. Frederick Stewart, and Mr. Thompson.

* On leave.

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