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THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA,
CANBERRA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

No. 62.

THURSDAY, 10TH NOVEMBER, 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 Papers were presented, pursuant to Statute—
Northern Territory Acceptance Act and Northern Territory (Administration) Act—Aboriginals Ordinance—Regulations Amended (Half-caste Apprentices).
Railways Act—Report on Commonwealth Railways Operations, for year ended 30th June, 1932.
3. ALTERATION OF HOUR OF NEXT MEETING.—Mr. Lyons (Prime Minister) moved, That the House, at its rising, adjourn until half-past eleven o'clock a.m. to-morrow.
Question—put and passed.
4. MINISTERIAL STATEMENT—FINANCIAL POSITION OF THE COMMONWEALTH.—Mr. Lyons (Prime Minister), by leave, made a Ministerial Statement in regard to the financial position of the Commonwealth, and announced that in consequence of an estimated surplus for the present financial year, the Government proposed to assist wheat-growers, to reduce certain taxation, and to remove certain anomalies in regard to invalid and old-age pensions.
Mr. Scullin (Leader of the Opposition), by leave, also made a Statement with reference to the matter.
Mr. Beasley asked leave to make a Statement with reference to the matter.
Objection being raised, leave not granted.
5. UNITED KINGDOM AND AUSTRALIA TRADE AGREEMENT 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—
And on the Amendment moved thereto by Mr. Scullin, viz. :—That all the words after " That " be omitted and the following words be inserted in lieu thereof:—" the Bill be withdrawn and negotiations opened for a new agreement embodying concessions to Australian producers and preferences to Great Britain on specified items without endangering our protective policy or depriving Parliament of its power to give effect to the will of the people on general tariff policy "—
Debate resumed.
Mr. Hawker addressing the House and not having concluded his speech at the termination of the time allowed by Standing Order No. 257B—
Ordered—That the honorable Member have leave to continue his speech.
Debate continued.

The House continuing to sit until after midnight—

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Debate continued.

Mr. Dein 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. ADJOURNMENT.—Mr. Marr (Minister for Health) moved, That the House do now adjourn.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and passed.

And then the House, at eleven minutes past two o'clock in the morning, adjourned until this day at half-past eleven o'clock a.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT.—All Members were present (at some time during the sitting) except—Mr. Bruce*, Mr. Josiah Francis, Mr. Gullett*, Mr. Holman, Mr. Hughes*, Mr. Lane, Mr. Parkhill, and Mr. Price.

* On leave.

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

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