

1932.

THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA,
CANBERRA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

No. 71.

TUESDAY, 29TH NOVEMBER, 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. PATENTS, TRADE MARKS AND DESIGNS BILL (1932).—Mr. Latham (Attorney-General), pursuant to leave given on the 25th instant, brought up a Bill intituled "*A Bill for an Act relating to Patents, Trade Marks and Designs*", and moved, That it be now read a first time.
Question—put and passed.—Bill read a first time.
Ordered—That the second reading be made an Order of the Day for the next sitting.
3. ALTERATION OF HOUR OF NEXT MEETING.—Mr. Lyons (Prime Minister) moved, That the House, at its rising, adjourn until half-past ten o'clock a.m. to-morrow.
Debate ensued.
Question—put and passed.
4. ADJOURNMENT-MOTION FOR PURPOSE OF DISCUSSION.—Mr. Makin rose in his place, and said that he proposed to move the adjournment of the House for the purpose of discussing a definite matter of urgent public importance, namely, "The serious position created by the continued descent of wages and conditions with particular reference to the recent award of Judge Drake-Brockman in the Commonwealth Railways case which creates hardship to the workers concerned and loss to community and business interests".
Mr. Speaker thereupon called upon those Members who approved of the proposed discussion to rise in their places, and more than the necessary number of Members having risen accordingly—
Mr. Makin moved, That the House do now adjourn.
Debate ensued.
Member named.—Mr. Speaker named the honorable Member for Hunter (Mr. James) for disregarding the authority of the Chair by persisting in reflecting upon a member of the Judiciary.
Mr. Parkhill (Postmaster-General) having addressed the House, and Mr. James having expressed his regret, the matter was not further proceeded with.
Debate continued.
Question—put and negatived.
5. MESSAGES FROM THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL.—ASSENT TO BILLS.—The following Messages from His Excellency the Governor-General were received, and the same were read by Mr. Speaker :—

ISAAC A. ISAACS,
Governor-General.

Message No. 38.

Proposed Laws intituled :—
" *Designs Act 1932* ",
" *Nauru Island Agreement Act 1932* ",
" *Wire and Wire Netting Act 1932* ",

as finally passed by the Senate and the House of Representatives of the Commonwealth, having been presented to the Governor-General for the Royal Assent, His Excellency has, in the name and on behalf of His Majesty, assented to the said Laws.

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ISAAC A. ISAACS,
Governor-General.

Message No. 39.

Proposed Laws intituled :—
" *New Guinea Act 1932* ",
" *Commonwealth Public Works Committee Act 1932* ",

as finally passed by the Senate and the House of Representatives of the Commonwealth, having been presented to the Governor-General for the Royal Assent, His Excellency has, in the name and on behalf of His Majesty, assented to the said Laws.

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6. PAPERS.—The following Papers were presented, pursuant to Statute—
 Seat of Government Acceptance Act and Seat of Government (Administration) Act—
 Ordinances of 1932—
 No. 20—Trespass on Commonwealth Lands.
 No. 21—Court of Petty Sessions.
7. WAR SERVICE HOMES AGREEMENT BILL (1932).—The Order of the Day having been read for the second reading—Mr. Josiah Francis (Minister administering War Service Homes) moved, That the Bill be now read a second time.
 Mr. E. C. Riley 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.
8. WAR SERVICE HOMES BILL (No. 2) (1932).—The Order of the Day having been read for the second reading—Mr. Josiah Francis (Minister administering War Service Homes) moved, That the Bill be now read a second time.
 Mr. E. C. Riley 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.
9. INCOME TAX ASSESSMENT 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. Scullin 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.
10. BILLS OF EXCHANGE BILL (1932).—The Order of the Day having been read for the second reading—
 Mr. Latham (Attorney-General) moved, That the Bill be now read a second time.
 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.)

Bill, by leave, taken as a whole, and agreed to, after debate.
 Bill to be reported without amendment.

The House resumed; Mr. Bell reported accordingly.

On the motion of Mr. Latham, the House adopted the Report, and, by leave, the Bill was read a third time.

11. FINANCIAL RELIEF BILL.—The Order of the Day having been read for the further consideration of this Bill in Committee of the whole House—Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole.

(In the Committee.)

Clauses 1 to 3 agreed to.

Clause 4 debated—

Question—That the clause be agreed to—put.

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

Ayes, 39.

Mr. Aubrey Abbott	Mr. Lyons
Mr. Blacklow	Mr. Marr
Mr. Malcolm Cameron	Mr. Maxwell
Mr. Casey	Mr. McBride
Mr. Thomas Collins	Mr. McGrath
Mr. Dein	Mr. Nairn
Mr. Dennis	Mr. Nock
Mr. Josiah Francis	Mr. Earle Page
Mr. Roland Green	Mr. Parkhill
Sir Littleton Groom	Mr. Thomas Paterson
Mr. Guy	Mr. Perkins
Mr. E. F. Harrison	Mr. Scholfield
Mr. E. J. Harrison	Mr. Stacey
Mr. Hawker	Mr. Frederick Stewart
Mr. Holman	Mr. Thompson
Mr. Hutchin	Mr. White
Mr. Hutchinson	
Mr. Jennings	
Mr. Lane	
Mr. Latham	
Mr. John Lawson	

Tellers:

Mr. Gardner
Mr. McNicoll

Noes, 18.

Mr. Baker
Mr. Blakeley
Mr. Fenton
Mr. Forde
Mr. Gabb
Mr. Albert Green
Mr. Holloway
Mr. James
Mr. George Lawson
Mr. Makin
Mr. W. Maloney
Mr. Martens
Mr. Riordan
Mr. Scullin
Mr. Ward
Mr. William Watson

Tellers:

Mr. Gander
Mr. E. C. Riley

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

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Clause 5—

Mr. Hawker moved, as an amendment, That after "amended" (page 2, line 13) the following paragraph be inserted:—

"(a) by omitting from sub-section (1.) the words 'the Comptroller-General of Customs', and inserting in their stead the words 'one member to represent the interests of taxpayers, who shall be appointed by the Governor-General and shall hold office for the same term and under the same conditions as those provided in Part V. of this Act for a member of the Valuation Board'".

Debate ensued.

Amendment negatived.

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.

12. MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.—UNITED KINGDOM AND AUSTRALIA TRADE AGREEMENT BILL.—
Mr. Speaker announced the receipt of the following Message from the Senate:—

MR. SPEAKER,

Message No. 56.

The Senate returns to the House of Representatives the Bill for "*An Act to approve the provisions of an agreement made between His Majesty's Government in the United Kingdom and His Majesty's Government in the Commonwealth of Australia and arising out of the Conference of Representatives of the Governments of the British Dominions held at Ottawa in July and August One thousand nine hundred and thirty-two,*" and acquaints the House that the Senate has agreed to the Bill without amendment.

P. J. LYNCH,
President.

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13. PAPER.—The following Paper was presented, pursuant to Statute—
Science and Industry Research Act—Sixth Annual Report of the Council for Scientific and Industrial Research, for year ended 30th June, 1932.

14. ADJOURNMENT.—Mr. Lyons (Prime Minister) moved, That the House do now adjourn.
Question—put and passed.

And then the House, at fourteen minutes past eleven o'clock p.m., adjourned until to-morrow at half-past ten o'clock a.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT.—All Members were present (at some time during the sitting) except—Mr. Anstey, Mr. Beasley, Mr. Bruce*, Mr. Gibson, Mr. Gullett*, Mr. Hill, Mr. Hughes*, Mr. Hunter, Mr. McClelland, Mr. Price, Mr. Rosevear, Mr. Thorby, and Mr. Watkins.

* On leave.

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