THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA. CANBERRA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

No. 72.

WEDNESDAY, 30TH NOVEMBER, 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. PRINTING COMMITTEE-THIRD REPORT.-Mr. E. F. Harrison, Vice-Chairman, brought up the Third Report from the Printing Committee (sitting in conference with the Printing Committee of the Senate).

The Report was read by the Clerk, as follows:-

REPORT.

The Printing Committee have the honour to report that they have met in Conference with the Printing Committee of the Senate.

The Joint Committee, having considered the Petitions and Papers presented to Parliament since the last meeting of the Committee, recommend that the following be printed :--

Invalid and Old-age Pensions Act—Statement for 1931-32.

Australian Soldiers' Repatriation Act—War Pensions Entitlement Appeal Tribunal—

Report for year 1931-32.

Railways Act—Report on Commonwealth Railways Operations, for year ended 30th June, 1932.

National Debt Sinking Fund Act-National Debt Commission-Ninth Annual Report, for year ended 30th June, 1932.

Superphosphate Industry—Report, dated 27th September, 1932, by the Development Branch, Prime Minister's Department.

Nauru-Report to the Council of the League of Nations on the Administration of Nauru during the year 1931.

New Guinea—Report to the Council of the League of Nations on the Administration of the Territory of New Guinea from 1st July, 1930, to 30th June, 1931.

Wool Industry of Australia-Report by the Commonwealth Wool Inquiry Committee (dated 26th October, 1932).

Science and Industry Research Act-Sixth Annual Report of the Council for Scientific and Industrial Research, for year ended 30th June, 1932.

Senate Committee Room, 30th November, 1932. E. F. HARRISON, Vice-Chairman.

Mr. E. F. Harrison moved, by leave, That the Report be agreed to. Question—put and passed.

3. Papers.—The following Papers were presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor-General— Bankruptcy Legislation-Report of Committee of Members of the House appointed to report on the Bankruptcy Act 1932.

Ordered to lie on the Table, and to be printed.

Munitions Supply Board—Report for period 1st July, 1929, to 30th June, 1931, together with Report of Commonwealth Government Clothing Factory for year ended 30th June, 1931. Ordered to lie on the Table.

The following Papers were presented, pursuant to Statute—

Norfolk Island Act—Ordinance of 1932—No. 6—Export of Bananas.

Papua Act—Ordinances of 1932—
No. 6—Arms, Liquor and Opium Prohibition.
No. 7—Native Taxes.

Superannuation Act—Tenth Annual Report of the Superannuation Board, 1931-32.

- 4. 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.

 Question—put and passed.
- 5. Seat of Government Supreme Court Bill.—Mr. Latham (Attorney-General) moved, pursuant to notice, That he have leave to bring in a Bill for an Act to establish a Supreme Court of the Territory for the Seat of Government and for other purposes.

Question—put and passed.

Public Service Bill [No. 2] (1932).—Mr. Lyons (Prime Minister) moved, pursuant to notice, That he
have leave to bring in a Bill for an Act to amend the Commonwealth Public Service Act 1922-1931.
 Question—put and passed.

Mr. Lyons then brought up the Bill accordingly, 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.

7. WHEAT BOUNTY (CLAIMS) BILL.—Mr. Frederick Stewart (Minister for Commerce) moved, pursuant to notice, That he have leave to bring in a Bill for an Act relating to the making of Claims under the Wheat Bounty Act 1931.

Question—put and passed.

Mr. Frederick Stewart then brought up the Bill accordingly, and moved, That it be now read a first time.

Question—put and passed.—Bill read a first time.

Mr. Frederick Stewart moved, by leave, That the second reading be made an Order of the Day for a later hour this day.

Question—put and passed.

8. COLONIAL LIGHT DUES COLLECTION BILL.—Mr. Frederick Stewart (Minister for Commerce) moved, pursuant to notice, That he have leave to bring in a Bill for an Act to provide for the Collection, on behalf of His Majesty's Government in the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, of Colonial Light Dues (Bahamas and Leeward Islands).

Question—put and passed. Mr. Frederick Stewart then brought up the Bill accordingly, and moved, That it be now read a first

time.

Question—put and passed.—Bill read a first time.

Mr. Frederick Stewart moved, by leave, That the second reading be made an Order of the Day for a later hour this day.

Question—put and passed.

9. Beaches, Fishing Grounds and Sea Routes Protection Bill.—Mr. Frederick Stewart (Minister for Commerce) moved, pursuant to notice, That he have leave to bring in a Bill for an Act relating to the Protection of Beaches, Sea Fishing Grounds and Routes used by Vessels engaged in Trade and Commerce with other Countries and among the States.

Question—put and passed.

Mr. Frederick Stewart then brought up the Bill accordingly, and moved, That it be now read a first

Question—put and passed.—Bill read a first time.

Mr. Frederick Stewart moved, by leave, That the second reading be made an Order of the Day for a later hour this day.

Question—put and passed.

10. Ways and Means—Colonial Light Dues (Rates) Bill.—The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Ways and Means.

(In the Committee.)

Mr. Frederick Stewart (Minister for Commerce) moved-

1. That Colonial light dues at the rate of one penny per ton of her register tonnage shall be imposed, with respect to each voyage of a ship, British or foreign, which is at any port, harbour or place in Australia, and which, in the course of any voyage to or from Australia, has passed and derived benefit from any of the following lighthouses or from the following buoy, namely:—

Lighthouses—

Gun Cay

Abaco

Cay Sal Great Isaac

Cay Lobos

Elbow Cay

Great Stirrup Cay

Castle Island

Inagua

Bird Rock

Watling Island

Buoy-

Matanilla Shoal.

2. That Colonial light dues at the rate of one halfpenny per ton on her register tonnage shall be imposed, with respect to each voyage of a ship, British or foreign, which is at any port, harbour or place in Australia and which, in the course of any voyage to or from Australia, has passed and derived benefit from the following lighthouse, namely:—

Sombrero Island.

- 3. That where, by Order in Council made under section six hundred and seventy of the Merchant Shipping Act 1894, His Majesty fixes any rate of Colonial light dues in substitution for either of the rates hereinbefore specified, and the Governor-General, by regulation made under the Act passed to give effect to this Resolution, authorizes the imposition in the Commonwealth of Colonial light dues at the rate so fixed, Colonial light dues shall be imposed in the Commonwealth at the rate so fixed in lieu of the rate hereinbefore specified for which the rate so fixed is in substitution.
- 4. That Colonial light dues shall be payable in currency of the United Kingdom or in Australian currency of such amount as, having regard to the rate of exchange prevailing at the time of payment, represents the equivalent, in currency of the United Kingdom, of the dues so payable.

Question—put and passed.

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

The House resumed; Mr. Bell reported accordingly.

Resolved—That the House will, at a later hour this day, again resolve itself into the said Committee. Mr. Frederick Stewart moved, pursuant to contingent notice, That the Standing Orders be suspended, to enable the remaining stages to be passed without delay.

Question—put and passed.

The Resolution reported from the Committee was read, and, on the motion of Mr. Frederick Stewart, was adopted by the House. Ordered—That Mr. Frederick Stewart and Mr. Latham do prepare and bring in a Bill to carry out the

foregoing Resolution.

Mr. Frederick Stewart then brought up a Bill intituled "A Bill for an Act to impose Colonial Light Dues", 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 a later hour this day.

11. Message from the Governor-General.—Colonial Light Dues Appropriation Bill.—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor-General was presented, and the same was read by Mr. Speaker:

ISAACS A. ISAACS, Governor-General.

Message No. 40.

In accordance with the requirements of section 56 of the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Australia, the Governor-General in and over the Commonwealth of Australia recommends to the House of Representatives that an appropriation of revenue be made for the purposes of a Bill for an Act relating to Colonial Light Dues.

Government House,

Canberra, 28th November, 1932.

Ordered—That the foregoing Message be taken into consideration, in Committee of the whole House, forthwith.

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

(In the Committee.)

Mr. Frederick Stewart (Minister for Commerce) moved, That it is expedient that an appropriation of revenue be made for the purposes of a Bill for an Act relating to Colonial Light Dues.

Question—put and passed.

Resolution to be reported.

The House resumed; Mr. Bell reported accordingly.

Mr. Frederick Stewart moved, pursuant to contingent notice, That the Standing Orders be suspended, to enable the remaining stages to be passed without delay.

Question—put and passed.

The Resolution reported from the Committee was read, and, on the motion of Mr. Frederick Stewart, was adopted by the House.

Ordered—That Mr. Frederick Stewart and Mr. Latham do prepare and bring in a Bill to carry out the foregoing Resolution.

Mr. Frederick Stewart then brought up the Bill accordingly, and moved, That it be now read a first

Question—put and passed.—Bill read a first time.

Ordered—That the second reading be made an Order of the Day for a later hour this day.

12. 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.)

Clause 5 further debated—

Mr. Earle Page moved, as an amendment, That all the words after "assessed" (page 2, lines 29-32) be omitted.

Debate continued.

Amendment withdrawn, by leave.

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Mr. Thomas Paterson moved, as an amendment, That the words "his income" (page 2, line 28) be omitted with a view to the insertion of the words "the income so" in place thereof.

Debate continued. Question—That the amendment be agreed to—put.

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

Ayes, 14.	Noes	s , 49.		
Mr. Aubrey Abbott	Mr. Baker	Mr. John Lawson		
Mr. Thomas Collins	Mr. Beasley	Mr. Lyons		
Mr. Bernard Corser	Mr. Blacklow	Mr. Makin		
Mr. Gibson	Mr. Blakeley	Mr. W. Maloney		
Mr. Hawker	Mr. Malcolm Cameron			
Mr. Hill	Mr. Casey	Mr. Martens		
Mr. McClelland	Mr. Dein	Mr. Maxwell		
Mr. Nock	Mr. Dennis -	Mr. McBride		
Mr. Earle Page	Mr. Fenton	Mr. McGrath		
Mr. Thomas Paterson	Mr. Forde	Mr. Nairn		
Mr. Prowse	Mr. Josiah Francis	Mr. Parkhill		
Mr. Thorby	Mr. Gabb	Mr. Price		
-	Mr. Albert Green	Mr. Riordan		
Tellers:	Sir Littleton Groom	Mr. Rosevear		
Mr. McNicoll	Mr. Guy	Mr. Scholfield		
Mr. Thompson	Mr. E. F. Harrison	Mr. Scullin		
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	Mr. Holloway	Mr. Frederick Stewart		
	Mr. Holman	Mr. Ward		
	Mr. Hutchin	Mr. Watkins		
	Mr. Hutchinson	Mr. White		
	Mr. James			
	Mr. Jennings Tellers:			
	Mr. Lane			
Į	Mr. Latham	Mr. Gander		
Į.	Mr. George Lawson	Mr. E. C. Riley		

And so it was negatived.

Mr. McBride moved, as an amendment, That after "hardship" (page 2, line 32) the following words be inserted:—"or would prevent the taxpayer incurring the necessary expense for the efficient maintenance and working of the land".

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

Ayes, 16.	Noes, 49.			
Ayes, 16. Mr. Aubrey Abbott Mr. Malcolm Cameron Mr. Thomas Collins Mr. Gibson Mr. Gregory Mr. Hawker Mr. Hill Mr. McBride Mr. McClelland Mr. Nock Mr. Earle Page Mr. Thomas Paterson Mr. Prowse Mr. Thompson Tellers: Mr. Hutchinson Mr. McNicoll	Mr. Baker Mr. Beasley Mr. Blacklow Mr. Blacklow Mr. Casey Mr. Casey Mr. Bernard Corser Mr. Dein Mr. Dennis Mr. Fenton Mr. Forde Mr. Josiah Francis Mr. Gabb Mr. Gander Mr. Albert Green Sir Littleton Groom Mr. Guy Mr. E. F. Harrison Mr. E. J. Harrison Mr. Holloway Mr. Holman Mr. Hutchin Mr. James Mr. Jennings	Mr. John Lawson Mr. Lyons Mr. Makin Mr. W. Maloney Mr. Marr Mr. Martens Mr. Maxwell Mr. McGrath Mr. Nairn Mr. Parkhill Mr. Price Mr. Riordan Mr. Rosevear Mr. Scholfield Mr. Scullin Mr. Stacey Mr. Frederick Stewart Mr. Ward Mr. Watkins Mr. William Watson Mr. White		
	Mr. Jennings Mr. Lane Mr. Latham Mr. George Lawson			
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And so it was negatived.

Mr. Hutchinson moved, as an amendment, That the following new paragraph be added to the clause:—
"(aa) by omitting from sub-section (1.) the word 'may' and inserting the word 'shall' in place thereof".

Debate continued. Amendment negatived. Clause agreed to. Clause 6 agreed to.

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Clause 7-

Mr. James moved, as an amendment, That after paragraph (a) the following new paragraph be inserted :-

(aa) by inserting after the item 'Boxes' the item 'Brattice Cloth for use in the mining industry

Debate ensued.

Question—That the paragraph proposed to be inserted be so inserted—put.

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

Ayes, 29.		Noes, 32.		
Mr. Aubrey Abbott	Mr. McNicoll	Mr. Blacklow	Mr. Lyons	
Mr. Baker	Mr. Earle Page	Mr. Malcolm Cameron	Mr. Marr	
Mr. Beasley	Mr. Thomas Paterson	Mr. Dein	Mr. Maxwell	
Mr. Blakeley	Mr. Prowse	Mr. Dennis	Mr. McBride	
Mr. Thomas Collins	Mr. Riordan	Mr. Fenton	Mr. McGrath	
Mr. Bernard Corser	Mr. Rosevear	Mr. Josiah Francis	Mr. Nairn	
Mr. Forde	Mr. Scullin	Mr. Gabb	Mr. Nock	
Mr. Albert Green	Mr. Thompson	Mr. Gibson	Mr. Parkhill	
Mr. Hill	Mr. Ward	Mr. Gregory	Mr. Price	
Mr. Holloway	Mr. Watkins	Sir Littleton Groom	Mr. Scholfield	
Mr. James	Mr. William Watson	Mr. Guy	Mr. Stacey	
Mr. George Lawson	•	Mr. E. F. Harrison	Mr. Frederick Stewart	
Mr. John Lawson	Tellers:	Mr. E. J. Harrison	Mr. Thorby	
Mr. Makin	1 etters:	Mr. Hawker		
Mr. W. Maloney	Mr. Gander	Mr. Holman	Tellers:	
Mr. Martens	Mr. E. C. Riley	Mr. Lane	Mr. Gardner	
	-	Mr. Latham	Mr. Jennings	

And so it was negatived.

On the motion of Mr. Lyons (Treasurer), the following amendments were made:-

Page 3, after line 19 insert in paragraph (b) the following words:—

"Explosives for use in the mining industry;".

Page 3, line 41, omit the item "Treacle and golden syrup;", insert in its stead the item—

"Treacle, molasses, golden syrup and other syrups produced by sugar refineries;".

Page 3, after paragraph (g) insert the following paragraph:—

"(h) by inserting at the end of the item commencing with the words 'Water pipes',
the words:—', and parts thereof, not being parts of a kind that are ordinarily used for any purpose other than as parts of such goods '".

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

Clause 8—

On the motion of Mr. Lyons, the following amendments were made:-

Page 4, after line 5 insert in paragraph (b) the following words:—

"Explosives for use in the mining industry;".

Page 4, line 27, omit the item "Treacle and golden syrup;", insert in its stead the item—

"Treacle, molasses, golden syrup and other syrups produced by sugar refineries;".

Page 4, after paragraph (c) insert the following paragraph:

Page 4, after paragraph (g) insert the following paragraph:—

"(h) by inserting at the end of the item commencing with the words 'Water pipes', the words:—', and parts thereof, not being parts of a kind that are ordinarily used for any purpose other than as parts of such goods'".

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

Clause 9—

On the motion of Mr. Lyons, the following amendments were made:-

Page 4, after line 37 insert in paragraph (b) the following words:—
"Explosives for use in the mining industry;".

Page 5, line 14, omit the item "Treacle and golden syrup;", insert in its stead the item—
"Treacle, molasses, golden syrup and other syrups produced by sugar refineries;".

Page 5, after paragraph (g) insert the following paragraph:

'(h) by inserting at the end of the item commencing with the words 'Water pipes', the words:—', and parts thereof, not being parts of a kind that are ordinarily used for any purpose other than as parts of such goods'".

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

Clause 10-

On the motion of Mr. Lyons, the following amendments were made :--

Page 5, after line 24 insert in paragraph (b) the following words:—

"Explosives for use in the mining industry;".

Page 6, line 3, omit the item "Treacle and golden syrup;", insert in its stead the item—
"Treacle, molasses, golden syrup and other syrups produced by sugar refineries;".

Page 6, after paragraph (g) insert the following paragraph:

(h) by inserting at the end of the item commencing with the words 'Water pipes', the words:—', and parts thereof, not being parts of a kind that are ordinarily used for any purpose other than as parts of such goods '".

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

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Clause 11-

On the motion of Mr. Lyons, the following amendments were made:-

. Page 6, after paragraph (a) insert the following paragraph:

(aa) by inserting after the item commencing with the words 'Exchange publications' the following item :-

'Explosives for use in the mining industry;'".

Page 6, after paragraph (e) insert the following paragraph:-

(d) by inserting at the end of the item commencing with the words 'Water pipes', the words:—', and parts thereof, not being parts of a kind that are ordinarily used for any purpose other than as parts of such goods'".

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

Clause 12-

On the motion of Mr. Lyons, the following amendments were made:-

Page 6, after paragraph (a) insert the following paragraph:

(aa) by inserting after the item commencing with the word 'Dips' the following item:—
'Explosives for use in the mining industry;'".

Page 6, after paragraph (c) insert the following paragraph:

(d) by inserting at the end of the item commencing with the words 'Water pipes', the words:—', and parts thereof, not being parts of a kind that are ordinarily used for any purpose other than as parts of such goods'".

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

Clause 13-

On the motion of Mr. Lyons, the following amendments were made:—

Page 6, after paragraph (a) insert the following paragraph:

(aa) by inserting after the item commencing with the word 'Dips' the following item:-Explosives for use in the mining industry; ''

Page 6, after paragraph (c) insert the following paragraph:-

(d) by inserting at the end of the item commencing with the words 'Water pipes', the words:—', and parts thereof, not being parts of a kind that are ordinarily used for any purpose other than as parts of such goods'".

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

Clause 14-

On the motion of Mr. Lyons, the following amendments were made:—

Page 6, after paragraph (a) insert the following paragraph:—

(aa) by inserting after the item commencing with the word 'Dips' the following item:—
'Explosives for use in the mining industry;'".

Page 7, after paragraph (c) insert the following paragraph:-

(d) by inserting at the end of the item commencing with the words 'Water pipes', the words:—', and parts thereof, not being parts of a kind that are ordinarily used for any purpose other than as parts of such goods'".

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

Clause 15 agreed to.

Clause 16-

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

The House resumed; Mr. Bell reported accordingly.

Resolved-That the House will, at a later hour this day, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

13. WAR SERVICE HOMES AGREEMENT 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-Debate resumed.

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.)

Clause 1 agreed to.

Clause 2 omitted.

Remainder of Bill, by leave, taken as a whole, and agreed to.

Bill to be reported with an amendment.

The House resumed; Mr. Bell reported accordingly.
On the motion of Mr. Josiah Francis (Minister administering War Service Homes), by leave, the House adopted the Report, and, by leave, the B.li was read a third time.

14. 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 again resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole.

(In the Committee.)

Clauses 16 and 17 agreed to. Clause 18 debated and agreed to.

Clause 19 debated.

Member named and suspended.—The Chairman (Mr. Bell) named the honorable Member for Hunter (Mr. James) for having disregarded the authority of the Chair by persistently interjecting.

Mr. Lyons (Prime Minister) moved, That the honorable Member for Hunter be suspended from the service of the Committee.

Question—put.

The Committee proceeded to divide, but the Tellers appointed for the Noes refusing to act, the Chairman declared the question resolved in the affirmative.

The Chairman forthwith suspended the proceedings of the Committee.

The House resumed.

The Chairman of Committees reported the circumstance to the House.

Mr. Speaker thereupon put the question—That the honorable Member for Hunter (Mr. James) be suspended from the service of the House.

The House proceeded to divide, but the Tellers appointed for the Noes refusing to act, Mr. Speaker declared the question resolved in the affirmative.

The honorable Member was, therefore, under Standing Order No. 59, suspended for the remainder of the day's sitting, and he accordingly withdrew from the Chamber.

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

(In the Committee.)

Clause 19 further debated-

Mr. White moved, as an amendment, That the following new paragraph be added to sub-section (1.):—

"(c) by adding the following further proviso to sub-section (1.):—

'Provided further that amounts received as war pensions, miners' phthisis and children's welfare be excluded from computation of invalid and old-age pensions'".

Debate continued.

Mr. White asked leave to withdraw his amendment.

Objection being raised, leave not granted.

Debate continued.

Point of Order.—Mr. Lyons raised a point of order that the amendment, if agreed to, would bring about additional expenditure not contemplated in the Government's proposals and was therefore not in order.

Chairman's Ruling.—The Chairman upheld the point of order on the ground as stated. Debate on clause continued.

The Committee continuing to sit until after midnight-

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Debate continued. Clause agreed to.

Clause 20-

On the motion of Mr. Latham (Attorney-General), the following amendment was made, after debate:

Page 8, after paragraph (b) insert—" or in any case in which a person, acting on information supplied to him by the Commissioner or a Deputy Commissioner that a person is not a pensioner, deals within twenty-one days with that person".

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

Clause 21 debated—

Mr. Nairn moved, as an amendment, That after "writing" (page 8, line 16) the following be inserted:—
"; and (b) by adding at the end of sub-section (1.) the following proviso:—

'Provided that nothing herein shall prejudice the right of a bona fide encumbrancer

'Provided that nothing herein shall prejudice the right of a bona fide encumbrancer for value under an encumbrance obtained from an owner of property who is not at the time a pensioner but who subsequently becomes a pensioner.'".

Debate continued.

Mr. Roland Green moved, That the Chairman do report progress and ask leave to sit again. Question—put.

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

Ayes, 18.	Noe	s, 45.
Ayes, 18. Mr. Baker Mr. Beasley Mr. Blakeley Mr. Forde Mr. Gabb Mr. Albert Green Mr. Roland Green Mr. Holloway Mr. George Lawson Mr. Makin Mr. Martens Mr. Riordan Mr. Rosevear Mr. Scullin Mr. Ward Mr. William Watson	Mr. Aubrey Abbott Mr. Blacklow Mr. Malcolm Cameron Mr. Casey Mr. Thomas Collins Mr. Dein Mr. Dennis Mr. Fenton	Mr. John Lawson Mr. Lyons
Tellers:	Mr. Holman Mr. Hunter	Mr. White
Mr. Gander Mr. Watkins	Mr. Hutchin Mr. Hutchinson Mr. Jennings Mr. Lane Mr. Latham	Tellers: Mr. Gardner Mr. McNicoll

And so it was negatived.

Debate on clause and amendment continued.

Question—That the amendment be agreed to—put.
The Committee divided (The Chairman, Mr. Bell, in the Chair)—

Ayes, 29.

	Noes, 50.			
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Mr. Baker	Mr. Martens	Mr. Aubrey Abbott	Mr. Lyons
Mr. Beasley	Mr. Maxwell	Mr. Blacklow	Mr. Marr
Mr. Blakeley.	Mr. McGrath	Mr. Malcolm Cameron	Mr. McBride
Mr. Thomas Collins	Mr. Nairn	Mr. Casey	Mr. McClelland
Mr. Bernard Corser	Mr. Riordan	Mr. Dein	Mr. Nock
Mr. Dennis	Mr. Rosevear	Mr. Fenton	Mr. Parkhill
Mr. Forde	Mr. Scullin	Mr. Josiah Francis	Mr. Thomas Paterson
Mr. Gabb	Mr. Thompson	Mr. Gibson	Mr. Perkins
Mr. Albert Green	Mr. Ward	Mr. Guy	Mr. Price
Mr. Roland Green	Mr. Watkins	Mr. E. F. Harrison	Mr. Prowse
Mr. Gregory	Mr. William Watson	Mr. Hawker	Mr. Scholfield
Sir Littleton Groom	. {	Mr. Hill	Mr. Stacey
Mr. E. J. Harrison	Tellers:	Mr. Holman	Mr. Frederick Stewart
Mr. Holloway	1 etters.	Mr. Hutchin	Mr. Thorby
	Mr. Gander	Mr. Hutchinson	Mr. White
Mr. Makin	Mr. Hunter	Mr. Jennings	
		Mr. Lane	Tellers:
		Mr. Latham	Mr. Gardner
	J		Mr. McNicoll

And so it was negatived. Clause agreed to.

Clause 22-

Mr. Rosevear moved, as an amendment, That the following sub-section be added to proposed new

section 52EA:—
"(5.) Notwithstanding any of the provisions of this Act, the Commissioner shall not make any claim for repayment of pension against the property of any pensioner when such property is bequeathed—

(a) to a relative, being a widow, widower, father, mother, child, sister or brother, who has been deemed by the Commissioner or the Court to be unable to contribute to the support of the pensioner; or

(b) to a relative, being a widow, widower, father, mother, child, sister or brother, who has discharged any obligations deemed satisfactory by the Commissioner or the

Debate ensued.

Mr. Roland Green moved, That the Chairman do report progress and ask leave to sit again. Question-put.

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

Ayes, 18.

Mr. Baker Mr. Beasley Mr. Blakeley

Mr. Forde Mr. Gabb

Mr. Albert Green Mr. Roland Green

Mr. Holloway Mr. George Lawson Mr. Makin

Mr. Martens Mr. Riordan Mr. Rosevear

Mr. Thompson Mr. Ward Mr. William Watson

Tellers:

Mr. Gander

Mr. Watkins

Noes, 44.

Mr. Aubrey Abbott

Mr. Lane Mr. Latham Mr. Blacklow Mr. Malcolm Cameron Mr. John Lawson

Mr. Casey Mr. Thomas Collins Mr. Marr Mr. Maxwell

Mr. Bernard Corser Mr. McBride Mr. Dein

Mr. McClelland Mr. McGrath Mr. Nock Mr. Dennis Mr. Fenton

Mr. Parkhill Mr. Josiah Francis Mr. Thomas Paterson

Mr. Gibson Mr. Gregory Mr. Perkins Mr. Price Sir Littleton Groom Mr. Prowse Mr. Guy

Mr. E. F. Harrison Mr. E. J. Harrison Mr. Scholfield Mr. Stacey

Mr. Hawker Mr. Frederick Stewart

Mr. Thorby Mr. White Mr. Hill Mr. Holman Mr. Hunter Tellers: Mr. Hutchin

Mr. Hutchinson Mr. Gardner Mr. Jennings Mr. McNicoll

And so it was negatived.

Debate on clause and amendment continued.

Question—That the amendment be agreed to—put.

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

Tellers:

Ayes, 19.

Mr. Riordan

Mr. Baker Mr. Beasley Mr. Rosevear Mr. Blakeley Mr. Scullin Mr. Bernard Corser

Mr. Thompson Mr. Ward Mr. Forde Mr. William Watson Mr. Gabb

Mr. Holloway

Mr. Hunter Mr. George Lawson

Mr. Makin Mr. Gander Mr. Martens Mr. Watkins

Noes, 43.

Mr. Aubrey Abbott Mr. Blacklow Mr. John Lawson Mr. Lyons Mr. Malcolm Cameron Mr. Marr

Mr. Casey Mr. Maxwell Mr. Thomas Collins Mr. McBride Mr. McGrath Mr. Dein Mr. Dennis Mr. Nairn

Mr. Nock Mr. Parkhill Mr. Fenton Mr. Josiah Francis

Mr. Thomas Paterson Mr. Gibson

Mr. Gregory Mr. Perkins Mr. Price Mr. Prowse Sir Littleton Groom Mr. Guy

Mr. E. F. Harrison Mr. E. J. Harrison Mr. Scholfield Mr. Stacey Mr. Hawker

Mr. Frederick Stewart Mr. Thorby Mr. Hill Mr. White

Mr. Holman Mr. Hutchin

Mr. Hutchinson Mr. Jennings

Tellers: Mr. Lane Mr. Gardner Mr. McNicoll Mr. Latham

And so it was negatived.

Clause agreed to.

Clause 23 debated-

Mr. Ward moved, as an amendment, That the word "may" (page 9, line 19) be omitted with a view to the insertion of the word "shall" in place thereof. Debate continued.

Amendment withdrawn, by leave.

Clause agreed to.

Clause 24-

On the motion of Mr. Latham, the following amendment was made:—Page 9, omit all words after the word "amended", insert—

by omitting paragraph (c) and inserting in its stead the following paragraph:—

(c) He shall, if required by the Commissioner to apply the money or other property in satisfaction of the charge or liability, be personally liable for the satisfaction of any such charge or liability out of any such money or other property of which he has the receipt, control or disposal.".

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

Ordered, by leave—That new clauses relating to Part V. be considered forthwith.

New Clauses-

Mr. Lane moved, That the following new clause be inserted in the Bill-

21A. After section fifty-two E of the Principal Act the following section is inserted :-"52EA. The last preceding section shall not apply in respect of any amount

Pensions of blind person not a charge on his estate.

of pension paid to a blind pensioner.". Debate ensued.

Question—That the proposed new clause be inserted in the Bill—put.

The Committee divided (The Temporary Chairman, Mr. Malcolm Cameron, in the Chair)—

Ayes	, 26.	Noes, 34.		
Mr. Baker	Mr. Martens	Mr. Aubrey Abbott	Mr. Marr	
Mr. Beasley	Mr. Maxwell	Mr. Blacklow	Mr. McBride	
Mr. Blakeley	Mr. McGrath	Mr. Casey	Mr. McClelland	
Mr. Thomas Collins	Mr. Nairn	Mr. Fenton	Mr. Nock	
Mr. Dein	Mr. Riordan	Mr. Josiah Francis	Mr. Earle Page	
Mr. Dennis	Mr. Rosevear	Mr. Gibson	Mr. Parkhill	
Mr. Forde	Mr. Scullin	Mr. Gregory	Mr. Thomas Paterson	
Mr. Gabb	Mr. Ward	Mr. Guy	Mr. Perkins	
Sir Littleton Groom	Mr. William Watson	Mr. E. F. Harrison	Mr. Price	
Mr. Holloway	Mr. White	Mr. E. J. Harrison	Mr. Prowse	
Mr. Holman	<i>(</i> 2.33)	Mr. Hawker	Mr. Scholfield	
Mr. Lane	Tellers:	Mr. Hill	Mr. Stacey	
Mr. George Lawson	Mr. Gander	Mr. Hutchin	Mr. Frederick Stewart	
Mr. Makin	Mr. Hunter	Mr. Hutchinson	Mr. Thorby	
		Mr. Jennings		
		Mr. Latham	Tellers:	
•		Mr. John Lawson	Mr. Gardner	
	}	Mr. Lyons	Mr. McNicoll	

And so it was negatived.

Mr. Ward moved, That the following new clause be inserted in the Bill:-

19a. After section twenty-five of the Principal Act the following section is inserted:-

"25A. Notwithstanding anything contained in this Act, vacant land to the value of Four hundred pounds shall not be taken into account for the purpose of determining eligibility for pension or in assessing the amount of any pension, unless it is property from which income is derived.".

Debate ensued.

Question—That the proposed new clause be inserted in the Bill—put.

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

Aye	s, 24.	Noes	з, 37.
Mr. Baker Mr. Beasley Mr. Blakeley Mr. Dein Mr. Forde	Mr. Makin Mr. Earle Page Mr. Riordan Mr. Rosevear Mr. Scullin	Mr. Aubrey Abbott Mr. Blacklow Mr. Malcolm Cameron Mr. Casey Mr. Dennis	Mr. Maxwell Mr. McBride
Mr. Gabb Mr. Albert Green Mr. Holloway Mr. Holman Mr. Hunter Mr. Jennings Mr. Lane Mr. George Lawson Mr. John Lawson	Mr. Thompson Mr. Ward Mr. William Watson Tellers: Mr. Gander Mr. Martens	Mr. Fenton Mr. Josiah Francis Mr. Gibson Mr. Gregory Sir Littleton Groom Mr. Guy Mr. E. F. Harrison Mr. E. J. Harrison Mr. Hawker Mr. Hill Mr. Hutchin Mr. Hutchinson Mr. Latham	Mr. Nock Mr. Parkhill Mr. Thomas Paterson Mr. Perkins Mr. Price Mr. Prowse Mr. Scholfield Mr. Stacey Mr. Frederick Stewart Mr. White Tellers:
		Mr. Lyons Mr. Marr	Mr. Gardner Mr. McNicoll

And so it was negatived.

On the motion of Mr. Latham, the following new clause was inserted in the Bill :-

23A. Section fifty-two H of the Principal Act is amended by omitting all words from and including the words "to a relative" to and including the word of the pensioners. "transferee" (first occurring) and inserting in their stead the words-

"to a person who is—

(a) the widow or widower of the pensioner; or

(b) the father or mother or a child, sister or brother of the pensioner and who-

(i) is a pensioner; or

(ii) was permanently residing with the pensioner at the date of his death and, being a male, is not less than sixty years of age, or being a female, is not less than fifty-five years of age and is in the opinion of the Commissioner in necessitous circumstances,

the satisfaction of any charge to which the property is subject under this Act shall, in the case of a person to whom paragraph (a) and sub-paragraph (i) of paragraph (b) apply, and may, in the case of a person to whom sub-paragraph (ii) of paragraph (b) applies, be deferred until the death of the transferree".

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30th November and 1st December, 1932.

Mr. Beasley moved, That the following new clause be inserted in the Bill :-

19B. After section twenty-five of the Principal Act the following section is inserted:-"25B. Claimants for invalid pensions shall have the right of appeal to a Medical Board which shall determine whether claimants are totally and permanently incapacitated within the meaning of the Act.".

Proposed new clause withdrawn, by leave.

Clause 25-

Mr. Scullin moved, That the clause be postponed.

Debate ensued.

Suspension of Sitting .- At twenty minutes to eight o'clock a.m., the Chairman left the Chair. Resumption of Sitting .- At ten o'clock a.m., the Chairman resumed the Chair.

Debate continued.

Mr. Baker Mr. Beasley

Mr. Blakeley

Question—That the clause be postponed—put.
The Committee divided (The Chairman, Mr. Bell, in the Chair)—

Ayes, 27.

Mr. Earle Page Mr. Thomas Paterson Mr. Prowse Mr. Riordan

Mr. Bernard Corser Mr. Forde Mr. Rosevear Mr. Scullin Mr. Thompson Mr. Gabb Mr. Albert Green Mr. Ward

Sir Littleton Groom Mr. Hill

Mr. Holloway Mr. Hunter

Mr. George Lawson

Mr. Makin Mr. W. Maloney Mr. McClelland

Tellers:

Mr. Watkins

Mr. William Watson

Mr. Gander Mr. Martens

Noes, 39.

Mr. Aubrey Abbott	Mr. Lyons
Mr. Blacklow	Mr. Mackay
Mr. Malcolm Cameron	Mr. Marr
Mr. Casey	Mr. Maxwell
Mr. Thomas Collins	Mr. McBride
Mr. Dein	Mr. McGrath
Mr. Dennis	Mr. Nairn
Mr. Fenton	Mr. Nock
Mr. Josiah Francis	Mr. Parkhill
Mr. Gibson	Mr. Perkins
Mr. Guy	Mr. Price
Mr. E. F. Harrison	Mr. Scholfield
Mr. E. J. Harrison	Mr. Stacey
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Mr. Frederick Stewart Mr. Hawker Mr. Holman Mr. Thorby Mr. White Mr. Hutchin

Mr. Hutchinson

Mr. John Lawson

Mr. Jennings Mr. Lane Mr. Latham

Mr. Gardner Mr. McNicoll

Tellers:

And so it was negatived.

Mr. Gabb proposing to move, as an amendment, That all words after "to the" (page 9, line 44) be omitted with a view to the insertion of the following words in place thereof:—"wheat growers in Australia by payment of a bounty on the production of wheat and for other purposes'

Chairman's Ruling.—The Chairman ruled that such an amendment would be out of order, as it would alter the purpose for which the Governor-General had recommended the Appropriation.

Clause further debated and agreed to.

Clause 26 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 a later hour this day, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

15. Message from the Governor-General.—Financial Relief Bill.—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor-General was presented, and the same was read by Mr. Speaker:-

ISAAC A. ISAACS,

Governor-General.

Message No. 42.

In accordance with the requirements of section 56 of the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Australia, the Governor-General recommends to the House of Representatives that an appropriation of revenue be made for the purposes of an amendment to be moved by the Minister for Commerce in a Bill for an Act to reduce Taxation; to remove anomalies in relation to Invalid and Old-age Pensions; to provide Financial Relief for Wheat Growers and other Primary Producers; and for other purposes.

Government House,

Canberra, 1st December, 1932.

Ordered—That the foregoing Message be taken into consideration, in Committee of the whole House. forthwith.

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

(In the Committee.)

Mr. Frederick Stewart (Minister for Commerce) moved, That it is expedient that an appropriation of revenue be made for the purposes of an amendment to be moved by the Minister for Commerce in a Bill for an Act to reduce Taxation; to remove anomalies in relation to Invalid and Old-age Pensions; to provide Financial Relief for Wheat Growers and other Primary Producers; and for other purposes.

Question—put and passed. Resolution to be reported.

The House resumed; Mr. Bell reported accordingly.

The said Resolution was read, and, on the motion of Mr. Frederick Stewart, by leave, was adopted by the House.

16. 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 again resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole.

(In the Committee.)

Clause 27-

On the motion of Mr. Frederick Stewart (Minister for Commerce), the following amendment was made, after debate:—

Page 10, line 14, after "wheat" insert "(including the cost of transport and marketing)". Mr. Albert Green proposing to move, as a further amendment, That paragraphs (a) and (b) be omitted with a view to the insertion of certain words in place thereof—

Chairman's Ruling.—The Chairman (Mr. Bell) ruled that such an amendment would be out of order, as it contravened Standing Order No. 135.

Mr. Scullin proposing to move, as a further amendment, That paragraph (b) be omitted with a view to the insertion of the following paragraph in place thereof:—"(b) a bounty shall be paid on the quantity of wheat produced"—

Chairman's Ruling.—The Chairman ruled that such an amendment would be out of order, as it would alter the purpose for which the Governor-General had recommended the Appropriation.

Clause, as amended, debated and agreed to.

Clause 28-

On the motion of Mr. Frederick Stewart, the following amendment was made:-

Page 10, line 21, after "wheat" insert "(including the cost of transport and marketing)".

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

Clause 29 debated and agreed to.

Clauses 30 and 31 agreed to.

Clause 32—

On the motion of Mr. Frederick Stewart, the following amendment was made, after debate:-

Page 11, at the end of the clause add the following proviso:—

"Provided that, in calculating the amount which may be paid to a primary producer under this section in respect of artificial manure used by him during that year, fractions of a ton shall be excluded.".

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

Clauses 30 to 36 agreed to.

Title agreed to.

Bill to be reported with amendments.

The House resumed; Mr. Bell reported accordingly.

On the motion of Mr. Frederick Stewart (the Standing Orders having previously been suspended, see page 494), the House, after debate, adopted the Report, and the Bill was read a third time, after debate.

17. Message from the Governor-General.—Assent to Bill.—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor-General was received, and the same was read by Mr. Speaker:—

ISAAC A. ISAACS, Governor-General.

Message No. 41.

A Proposed Law intituled "War Service Homes Agreement 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 Law.

Government House,

Canberra, 1st December, 1932.

18. Messages from the Senate.—Mr. Speaker announced the receipt of the following Messages from the Senate:—

[War Service Homes Agreement Bill (1932)]-

Mr. Speaker,

Message No. 57.

The Senate returns to the House of Representatives the Bill for "An Act to approve an Agreement made between His Majesty's Government of the Commonwealth of Australia and the Commissioners of the State Savings Bank of Victoria and for other purposes," and acquaints the House that the Senate has agreed to the Bill without amendment.

P. J. LYNCH,

The Senate,

Canberra, 30th November, 1932.

[Sugar Agreement Bill (1932)]-

Mr. Speaker,

Message No. 58.

President.

The Senate returns to the House of Representatives the Bill for "An Act to approve an agreement made between His Majesty's Government of the Commonwealth of Australia and His Majesty's Government of the State of Queensland, and for other purposes," and acquaints the House that the Senate has agreed to the Bill without amendment.

P. J. LYNCH,

The Senate.

President.

Canberra, 1st December, 1932, a.m.

[Committee of Public Accounts Bill (1932)]—

Mr. Speaker,

Message No. 59.

The Senate returns to the House of Representatives the Bill for "An Act to suspend the operation of the Committee of Public Accounts Act 1913-1920'," and acquaints the House that the Senate has agreed to the Bill without amendment.

P. J. LYNCH,

The Senate,

Canberra, 1st December, 1932.

[Jury Exemption Bill (1932)]—

Mr. Speaker,

Message No. 60.

President.

The Senate returns to the House of Representatives the Bill for "An Act to amend the Jury Exemption Act 1905-1922'," and acquaints the House that the Senate has agreed to the Bill without amendment.

P. J. LYNCH,

The Senate,

Canberra, 1st December, 1932.

President.

[Judiciary Bill (1932)]-

Mr. Speaker,

Message No. 61.

The Senate returns to the House of Representatives the Bill for "An Act to amend the Judiciary Act 1903-1927"," and acquaints the House that the Senate has agreed to the Bill without amendment.

P. J. LYNCH,

President.

The Senate,

Canberra, 1st December, 1932.

19. Suspension of Standing Order No. 70.—Mr. Latham (Attorney-General) moved, by leave, That Standing Order No. 70 (eleven o'clock rule) be suspended for the remainder of this sitting.

Question—put and passed.

20. Messages from the Governor-General.—Estimates (No. 2) 1932-33.—The following Messages from His Excellency the Governor-General were presented, and the same were read by Mr. Speaker:—

ISAAC A. ISAACS,

Governor-General.

Message No. 43.

In accordance with the requirements of Section fifty-six of the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Australia, the Governor-General transmits to the House of Representatives Additional Estimates of Expenditure for the year ending the thirtieth day of June, One thousand nine hundred and thirty-three, and recommends an appropriation of the Consolidated Revenue Fund accordingly.

Canberra, 25th November, 1932.

ISAAC A. ISAACS,

Governor-General.

Message No. 44.

In accordance with the requirements of Section fifty-six of the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Australia, the Governor-General transmits to the House of Representatives Additional Estimates of Expenditure for Additions, New Works, Buildings, &c., for the year ending the thirtieth day of June, One thousand nine hundred and thirty-three, and recommends an appropriation of the Consolidated Revenue Fund accordingly.

Canberra, 25th November, 1932.

Severally ordered to lie on the Table, and, together with the accompanying Estimates, to be printed and referred to the Committee of Supply forthwith.

21. Supply—Estimates (No. 2) 1932-33.—The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.

(In the Committee.)

Schedule of Estimates taken as a whole, and agreed to.

Mr. Parkhill (Postmaster-General) moved, That the following resolution be reported to the House:-That the following additional sum be granted to His Majesty to defray the charges for the year 1932-33 for the several services hereunder specified, viz.:-

Part 1.—Departments and Services—Other than Business Undertakings and Territories OF THE COMMONWEALTH.

The Department of the Interior	• •						£ 3,650
The Department of Defence	• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •			• •	• •	• •	18,350
76. 11.		• •	• •	• •	• •	• •	
	••	• •	• •	• •	• •	• •	20,977
War Services Payable out of Reve	nue	• •	• •	• •	• •		2,250
	Total Part 1	• •					45,227
PART 2.	-Business	Undert	AKINGS.				
Commonwealth Railways							4,000
Postmaster-General's Department	••	• •			• •		20,680
	Total Part 2	• •	• •	• •			24,680
PART 3.—TER	RITORIES OF	тне Со	MMONWE	ALTH.			
Federal Capital Territory	• •	•••					1,150
	Total		• •				71,057
Question—put and passed.						, ,	,001
leave to be asked to sit again.							

The House resumed; Mr. Bell reported accordingly.

Resolved-That the House will, at a later hour this day, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

22. Suspension of Standing Orders.—Mr. Parkhill (Postmaster-General) moved, pursuant to contingent notice, That the Standing Orders be suspended, to enable the remaining stages to be passed without delay.

Question—put and passed.

- 23. Supply Resolution.—The Resolution reported from the Committee of Supply was read, and, on the motion of Mr. Parkhill (Postmaster-General), was adopted by the House.
- 24. Ways and Means-Estimates (No. 2) 1932-33.—The House, according to Order, again resolved itself into the Committee of Ways and Means.

(In the Committee.)

ESTIMATES (No. 2) 1932-33.

Mr. Parkhill (Postmaster-General) moved, That, towards making good the Additional Supply granted to His Majesty for the services of the year 1932-33, there be granted out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund a sum not exceeding £71,057.

Question—put and passed.

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

The House resumed; Mr. Bell reported accordingly.

Resolved—That the House will, at a later hour this day, again resolve itself into the said Committee. The Resolution reported from the Committee was read, and, on the motion of Mr. Parkhill, was adopted by the House.

Ordered-That Mr. Parkhill and Mr. Josiah Francis do prepare and bring in a Bill to carry out the foregoing Resolution.

25. Appropriation (No. 2) Bill 1932-33.-Mr. Parkhill (Postmaster-General) then brought up a Bill intituled "A Bill for an Act to grant and apply an additional sum out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund for the service of the year ending the thirtieth day of June One thousand nine hundred and thirty-three and to appropriate such sum," and moved, That it be now read a first time.

Question—put and passed.—Bill read a first time.

Mr. Parkhill 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. Bill to be reported without amendment.

The House resumed; Mr. Bell reported accordingly.

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

26. Supply—Estimates—Additions, New Works, Buildings, etc. (No. 2) 1932-33.—The House, according to Order, again resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.

(In the Committee.)

Schedule of Estimates taken as a whole, and agreed to.

Mr. Parkhill (Postmaster-General) moved, That there be granted to His Majesty to the service of the year 1932-33, for the purposes of Additions, New Works, Buildings, &c., an additional sum not exceeding £45,920.

Question—put and passed.

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

The House resumed; Mr. Bell reported accordingly.

Resolved-That the House will, at a later hour this day, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

27. Suspension of Standing Orders.—Mr. Parkhill (Postmaster-General) moved, pursuant to contingent notice, That the Standing Orders be suspended, to enable the remaining stages to be passed without delay.

Question—put and passed.

- 28. Supply Resolution.—The Resolution reported from the Committee of Supply was read, and, on the motion of Mr. Parkhill (Postmaster-General), was adopted by the House.
- 29. Ways and Means—Estimates—Additions, New Works, Buildings, etc. (No. 2) 1932-33.—The House, according to Order, again resolved itself into the Committee of Ways and Means.

(In the Committee.)

Additions, New Works, Buildings, etc., (No. 2) 1932-33.

Mr. Parkhill (Postmaster-General) moved, That, towards making good the Supply granted to His Majesty for Additions, New Works, Buildings, &c., for the year 1932-33, there be granted out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund an additional sum not exceeding £45,920.

Question—put and passed.

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

The House resumed; Mr. Bell reported accordingly.

Resolved—That the House will, at a later hour this day, again resolve itself into the said Committee. The Resolution reported from the Committee was read, and, on the motion of Mr. Parkhill, was adopted by the House.

Ordered-That Mr. Parkhill and Mr. Josiah Francis do prepare and bring in a Bill to carry out the foregoing Resolution.

30. Appropriation (Works and Buildings) (No. 2) Bill 1932-33.—Mr. Parkhill (Postmaster-General) then brought up a Bill intituled "A Bill for an Act to grant and apply an additional sum out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund for the service of the year ending the thirtieth day of June One thousand nine hundred and thirty-three for the purposes of Additions, New Works, Buildings, &c., and to appropriate such sum," and moved, That it be now read a first time.

Question—put and passed.—Bill read a first time.

Mr. Parkhill 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. Bill to be reported without amendment.

The House resumed; Mr. Bell reported accordingly.

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

31. War Service Homes Bill (No. 2) (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— 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.)

Clause 1 agreed to.

Clause 2 debated and agreed to.

Clause 3 debated and agreed to.

Title agreed to.

Bill to be reported without amendment.

The House resumed; Mr. Bell reported accordingly. On the motion of Mr. Josiah Francis (Minister administering War Service Homes), the House adopted the Report, and, by leave, the Bill was read a third time.

- 32. Alteration of Hour of Next Meeting.—Mr. Lyons (Prime Minister) moved, That the House, at its rising, adjourn until ten o'clock a.m. to-morrow. Question—put and passed.
- 33. Message from the Governor-General.—Invalid and Old-age Pensions Appropriation Bill (No. 2) (1932).—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor-General was presented, and the same was read by Mr. Speaker :-

ISAAC A. ISAACS,

Governor-General.

Message No. 45.

In accordance with the requirements of section 56 of the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Australia, the Governor-General recommends to the House of Representatives that an appropriation of Revenue be made for the purposes of a Bill for an Act to grant and apply out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund a sum for Invalid and Old-age Pensions.

Canberra,

25th November, 1932.

Ordered-That the foregoing Message be taken into consideration, 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.)

Mr. Lyons (Treasurer) moved, That it is expedient that an appropriation of revenue be made for the purposes of a Bill for an Act to grant and apply out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund a sum for Invalid and Old-age Pensions.

Question—put and passed. Resolution to be reported.

The House resumed; Mr. Bell reported accordingly.

Mr. Lyons moved, pursuant to contingent notice, That the Standing Orders be suspended, to enable the remaining stages to be passed without delay.

Question—put and passed.

The Resolution reported from the Committee was read, and, on the motion of Mr. Lyons, was adopted by the House.

Ordered-That Mr. Lyons and Mr. Latham do prepare and bring in a Bill to carry out the foregoing Resolution.

Mr. Lyons then brought up the Bill accordingly, and moved, That it be now read a first time. Question—put and passed.—Bill read a first time.
Mr. Lyons 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.

Bill to be reported without amendment.

The House resumed; Mr. Bell reported accordingly.

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

- 34. Postponement of Orders of the Day.—Ordered—That Order of the Day No. 5 be postponed until after Order of the Day No. 6, Government Business.
- 35. PATENTS, TRADE MARKS AND DESIGNS 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. Debate ensued.

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.

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

36. Messages from the Senate.—Mr. Speaker announced the receipt of the following Messages from the Senate:--

[Bills of Exchange Bill (1932)]—

Mr. Speaker,

Messaye No. 62.

The Senate returns to the House of Representatives the Bill for "An Act to amend the Bills of Exchange Act 1909-1912'," and acquaints the House that the Senate has agreed to the Bill without amendment.

The Senate,

Canberra, 1st December, 1932.

[Appropriation (No. 2) Bill 1932-33]---

Mr. Speaker,

Message No. 63.

President.

President.

The Senate returns to the House of Representatives the Bill for "An Act to grant and apply an additional sum out of the Consolidated Revenuc Fund for the service of the year ending the thirtieth day of June One thousand nine hundred and thirty-three and to appropriate such sum," and acquaints the House that the Senate has agreed to the Bill without requests.

P. J. LYNCH,

The Senate,

Canberra, 1st December, 1932.

[Appropriation (Works and Buildings) (No. 2) Bill 1932-33]-

MR. SPEAKER,

Message No. 64.

The Senate returns to the House of Representatives the Bill for "An Act to grant and apply an additional sum out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund for the service of the year ending the thirtieth day of June One thousand nine hundred and thirty-three for the purposes of Additions, New Works, Buildings, &c., and to appropriate such sum," and acquaints the House that the Senate has agreed to the Bill without amendment.

P. J. LYNCH,

The Senate,

Canberra, 1st December, 1932.

President.

37. WHEAT BOUNTY (CLAIMS) BILL.—The Order of the Day having been read for the second reading— Mr. Frederick Stewart (Minister for Commerce) 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.

Bill to be reported without amendment.

The House resumed; Mr. Bell reported accordingly.
On the motion of Mr. Frederick Stewart, the House adopted the Report, and, by leave, the Bill was read a third time.

38. COLONIAL LIGHT DUES COLLECTION BILL.—The Order of the Day having been read for the second reading-Mr. Frederick Stewart (Minister for Commerce) moved, That the Bill be now read a second

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.

Bill to be reported without amendment.

The House resumed; Mr. Bell reported accordingly.

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

39.	COLONIAL LIGHT DUI	es (Rates) Bill.—'	The Order of t	the Day havin	g been read	for the second
	reading—Mr. Frede	rick Stewart (Ministe	er fo r Commerce	e) moved, That	the Bill be no	ow 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. Bill to be reported without amendment.

The House resumed; Mr. Bell reported accordingly.

On the motion of Mr. Frederick Stewart (the Standing Orders having previously been suspended, see page 507) the House adopted the Report, and the Bill was read a third time, after debate.

40. Colonial Light Dues Appropriation Bill.—The Order of the Day having been read for the second reading—Mr. Frederick Stewart (Minister for Commerce) 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. Bill to be reported without amendment.

The House resumed; Mr. Bell reported accordingly.

On the motion of Mr. Frederick Stewart (the Standing Orders having previously been suspended, see page 507) the House adopted the Report, and the Bill was read a third time.

41. Adjournment—Count-out.—Mr. Lyons (Prime Minister) moved, That the House do now adjourn. Debate ensued.

Mr. Lane 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-two minutes to eleven o'clock p.m., adjourned the House until to-morrow at ten o'clock a.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT.—All Members were present (at some time during the sitting) except—Mr. Anstey, Mr. Bruce*, Mr. Gullett*, and Mr. Hughes*.

• On leave.

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

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