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THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA,  
CANBERRA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

No. 91.

THURSDAY, 6TH APRIL, 1933.

1. **The House met, at eleven o'clock a.m., pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker (the Honorable G. H. Mackay) took the Chair, and read Prayers.**
2. **SPECIAL ADJOURNMENT.—Mr. Latham (Attorney-General) moved, That the House, at its rising, adjourn until a date and hour to be fixed by Mr. Speaker, which time of meeting shall be notified by Mr. Speaker to each Member by telegram or letter.**  
Question—put and passed.
3. **LEAVE OF ABSENCE TO ALL MEMBERS.—Mr. Latham (Attorney-General) moved, by leave, That leave of absence be given to every Member of the House of Representatives from the determination of this sitting of the House to the date of its next sitting.**  
Question—put and passed.
4. **MINISTERIAL STATEMENT—ROYAL COMMISSION ON PETROL.—Mr. Latham (Attorney-General), by leave, made a Ministerial Statement announcing the personnel and the terms of reference of the Royal Commission about to be appointed to inquire into the question of Petroleum Oil.**
5. **CUSTOMS TARIFF PROPOSALS OF THE GOVERNMENT—ATTITUDE OF COUNTRY PARTY—STATEMENT.—Mr. Thomas Paterson (Acting Leader of the Country Party), by leave, made a Statement with reference to the attitude of the Country Party to the Customs Tariff Proposals of the Government. Mr. Latham (Attorney-General) and Mr. Scullin (Leader of the Opposition), by leave, also made Statements with reference to the matter.**
6. **WAYS AND MEANS [CUSTOMS TARIFF (1932) AND AMENDMENT (No. 1)].—The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Ways and Means.**

(In the Committee.)

[See proposed Resolutions for Customs Tariff of the 13th October, 1932 (pages 355-430) and Amendment (No. 1) of the 8th March, 1933 (pages 535-558).]

Group 6 continued—

Item 74, sub-item (B), debated—

Mr. Forde moved, That the sub-item be postponed.

Debate continued.

Question—put.

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

Ayes, 17.

Mr. Baker	Mr. George Lawson
Mr. Blakeley	Mr. W. Maloney
Mr. Bernard Corser	Mr. Riordan
Mr. Dennis	Mr. Rosevear
Mr. Fenton	Mr. Scullin
Mr. Forde	
Mr. Albert Green	
Sir Littleton Groom	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. Holloway	Mr. Martens
Mr. James	Mr. E. C. Riley

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Mr. Blacklow	Mr. Nairn
Mr. Malcolm Cameron	Mr. Nock
Mr. Casey	Mr. Parkhill
Mr. Dein	Mr. Thomas Paterson
Mr. Josiah Francis	Mr. Perkins
Mr. Gabb	Mr. Price
Mr. Gibson	Mr. Prowse
Mr. Gregory	Mr. Scholfield
Mr. Guy	Mr. Stacey
Mr. E. J. Harrison	Mr. Frederick Stewart
Mr. Hill	Mr. Thorby
Mr. Hutchin	Mr. William Watson
Mr. Jennings	Mr. White
Mr. Latham	
Mr. Marr	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. Maxwell	Mr. Gardner
Mr. McClelland	Mr. McNicoll

And so it was negatived.

Sub-item agreed to.

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	British Preferential Tariff.	General Tariff.
79. Oilmen's Stores, n.e.i., being Groceries, including Culinary and Flavouring Essences non-spirituous, Soap Dyes, and Condition Foods, n.e.i. ; Food for birds (excepting canary seed and mixtures containing canary seed) in packages for retail sale ; Goods put up for household use, n.e.i. ; Goods, n.e.i., put up for retail sale ad val.	45 per cent.	65 per cent.

Mr. White (Minister for Trade and Customs) moved, That that portion of the Tariff Resolution introduced into the House of Representatives on 8th March, 1933, relating to Item 79 be incorporated in the present Proposals as on and from the 9th March, 1933, in lieu of Item 79 of the Tariff Resolution introduced into the House of Representatives on the 13th October, 1932.

Question—put and passed.

Item, as amended, debated and agreed to.

Item 91, sub-item (B), debated and agreed to.

Item 94 debated and agreed to.

Item 105, sub-item (A), paragraph (1), sub-paragraph (b), sub-item (AA), paragraph (2), sub-item (F), paragraphs (1), (2), (4)—

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.

7. WAYS AND MEANS [EXCISE TARIFF AMENDMENT (NO. 4)].—The House, according to Order, again resolved itself into the Committee of Ways and Means.

(In the Committee.)

Mr. White (Minister for Trade and Customs) moved—

That the Schedule to the *Excise Tariff* 1921–1928 as proposed to be amended by Excise Tariff Proposals be further amended as hereunder set out, and that on and after the seventh day of April, One thousand nine hundred and thirty-three, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, reckoned according to standard time in the Territory for the Seat of Government, Duties of Excise be collected in pursuance of the Excise Tariff as so amended.

That in this Resolution "Excise Tariff Proposals" means the Excise Tariff Proposals introduced into the House of Representatives on the following dates, namely :—

25th February, 1932 ;  
24th May, 1932 ; and  
8th March, 1933.

EXCISE DUTIES.

Articles.		Rate of Duty.
16. By adding a new item as follows :— "16. Wine— (A) wholly or partly made from or containing dried grapes or extracts therefrom ; (B) containing added sugar in any form ; or (C) containing honey, glucose or any other sweetening matter prescribed by Departmental by-laws, not being— (i) natural or artificial sparkling wine ; (ii) Vermouth ; (iii) wine contained in liqueurs, cocktails or wine cordials ; or (iv) wine produced from fruit other than grapes ;	per gallon	20s."
17. By adding a new item as follows :— "17. Wine containing glycerine .. .. .	per gallon	5s."

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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8. ADJOURNMENT.—Mr. Latham (Attorney-General) moved, That the House do now adjourn.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and passed.

And then the House, at twenty-five minutes to seven o'clock p.m., adjourned until a date and hour to be fixed by Mr. Speaker, and to be notified by him to each Member by telegram or letter as determined by resolution of the House at this sitting.

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MEMBERS PRESENT.—All Members were present (at some time during the sitting) except—Mr. Anstey, Mr. Beasley, Mr. Bruce\*, Mr. Gander, Sir Henry Gullett, Mr. E. F. Harrison, Mr. Hawker, Mr. Holman, Mr. Hughes, Mr. Hunter, Mr. Hutchinson, Mr. Lane, Mr. John Lawson, Mr. Lyons, Mr. Makin, Mr. McBride, Mr. McGrath, Mr. Earle Page\*, Mr. Thompson, Mr. Ward, and Mr. Watkins.

\* On leave.

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