THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA, CANBERRA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

REPRESENTATIVES. HOUSE OF

No. 23.

THURSDAY, 14TH MARCH, 1935.

- 1. The House met, at half-past two o'clock p.m., pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker (the Honorable G. J. Bell) took the Chair, and read Prayers.
- 2. Paper.—Mr. Speaker presented, pursuant to Statute—

Audit Act-Finance 1933-34-Treasurer's Statement of Receipts and Expenditure for year ended 30th June, 1934, accompanied by the Report of the Auditor-General.

3. ADJOURNMENT-MOTION FOR PURPOSE OF DISCUSSION.—Mr. Blain 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 granting of eighty mining leases to persons associated with the Arnheim Land Gold Development Company, No Liability, a concern founded on a dishonest prospectus and directed by persons whose presence in the Northern Territory is highly undesirable."

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. Blain moved, That the House do now adjourn.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and negatived.

4. Papers.—The following Paper was presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor-General— Tariff Board—Report and Recommendation—Whisky, period of maturation.

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

The following Papers were presented, pursuant to Statute-

Customs Act—Regulations Amended—Statutory Rules 1935, No. 19. Wine Export Bounty Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1935, No. 10.

- 5. Postponement of Orders of the Day.—Ordered, after debate—That the Orders of the Day be postponed until after the consideration of Notices of Motion, Government Business.
- 6. LOAN (FARMERS' DEBT ADJUSTMENT) BILL .-- Mr. Earle Page (Acting Prime Minister) moved, pursuant to notice, That he have leave to bring in a Bill for an Act to authorize the raising and expending of certain sums of Money to provide for the grant of Financial Assistance to the States in the making of payments to or for the benefit of Farmers, and for other purposes. Question—put and passed.
- 7. Customs Bill (1935).—Mr. White (Minister for Trade and Customs) moved, pursuant to notice, That he have leave to bring in a Bill for an Act to amend section four of the Customs Act 1901-1934. Question—put and passed.

Mr. White 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. White moved, by leave, That the Bill be now read a second time.

Mr. Forde 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. Spirits Bill (1935).—Mr. White (Minister for Trade and Customs) moved, pursuant to notice, That he have leave to bring in a Bill for an Act to amend the Spirits Act 1906-1932, and to repeal the Spirits Act 1933.

Question—put and passed.

Mr. White 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. White moved, by leave, That the Bill be now read a second time. Mr. Forde 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.

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9. RAW COTTON BOUNTY BILL (1935).—Mr. White (Minister for Trade and Customs) moved, pursuant to notice, That he have leave to bring in a Bill for an Act to amend section nine of the Raw Cotton Bounty Act 1934.

Question—put and passed.

Mr. White 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. White moved, by leave, That the Bill be now read a second time.

Mr. Forde 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. NAVIGATION BILL (1935).—Mr. Hughes (Vice-President of the Executive Council) moved, pursuant to notice, That he have leave to bring in a Bill for an Act to amend sections seven and two hundred and thirty-one of the Navigation Act 1912-1934.

Question—put and passed.

Mr. Hughes 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. Hughes moved, by leave, That the Bill be now read a second time. Mr. Holloway 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.

11. PAPER.—The following Paper was presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor-General-Munitions Supply Board—Report for period 1st July, 1931, to 30th June, 1933; together with Report of the Commonwealth Government Clothing Factory.

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

12. PRINTING OF PAPER.-Mr. Casey (Acting Treasurer) moved, That the following Paper, laid on the Table of the House this day, be printed :-

Audit Act—Finance 1933-34—Treasurer's Statement of Receipts and Expenditure for year ended 30th June, 1934, accompanied by the Report of the Auditor-General.

Question-put and passed.

13. SALES TAX PROCEDURE BILL (1935).—Mr. Casey (Acting Treasurer) moved, pursuant to notice, That he have leave to bring in a Bill for an Act to amend section three of the Sales Tax Procedure Act 1934, to insert in that Act a new section twelve A, and to specify a date upon which that new section shall be deemed to have commenced.

Question—put and passed.

14. Sales Tax Assessment Bill (No. 9) (1935).—Mr. Casey (Acting Treasurer) moved, pursuant to notice, That he have leave to bring in a Bill for an Act to insert in the Sales Tax Assessment Act (No. 9) 1930-1933 a new section two A, and to amend sections four, six, nine and twelve of that Act.

Question—put and passed.

15. Sales Tax Assessment Bill (No. 1) (1935).—Mr. Casey (Acting Treasurer) moved, pursuant to notice, That he have leave to bring in a Bill for an Act to amend sections three, twenty, twenty-six, forty-five, forty-eight, forty-nine and seventy-three of the Sales Tax Assessment Act (No. 1) 1930-1934.

Question—put and passed.

16. Invalid and Old-Age Pensions Bill (1935).—Mr. Casey (Acting Treasurer) moved, pursuant to notice, That he have leave to bring in a Bill for an Act to amend sections seventeen, twenty-two and fifty-two K of the Invalid and Old-age Pensions Act 1908-1933, to repeal sections fifty-two A, fifty-two c, fifty-two D, fifty-two E, fifty-two F and fifty-two M of that Act, and to provide for the determination of certain debts due, orders made, and undertakings given, in pursuance of the Invalid and Old-age Pensions Act 1908-1932 or in pursuance of that Act as subsequently amended.

Question—put and passed. Mr. Casey 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. Casey moved, by leave, That the Bill be now read a second time.

Mr. Makin 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.

17. PORT AUGUSTA TO RED HILL RAILWAY BILL (1935).—Mr. Thomas Paterson (Minister for the Interior) moved, pursuant to notice, That he have leave to bring in a Bill for an Act to amend the Port Augusta to Red Hill Railway Act 1930.

Question—put and passed.

Mr. Thomas Paterson 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. Thomas Paterson moved, by leave, That the Bill be now read a second time.

Mr. Drakeford 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.

18. DRIED FRUITS EXPORT CONTROL BILL (1935).-Mr. Hunter (Minister without portfolio) moved, pursuant to notice, That he have leave to bring in a Bill for an Act to amend section twelve of the Dried Fruits Export Control Act 1924-1934.

Question—put and passed.

Mr. Hunter 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. Hunter moved, by leave, That the Bill be now read a second time. Mr. Forde 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.

19. Canned Fruits Export Control Bill (1935).—Mr. Hunter (Minister without portfolio) moved, pursuant to notice, That he have leave to bring in a Bill for an Act to amend the Canned Fruits Export Control Act 1926-1934.

Question—put and passed.

Mr. Hunter 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. Hunter moved, by leave, That the Bill be now read a second time.

Mr. Forde 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.

20. DRIED FRUITS BILL (1935).—Mr. Hunter (Minister without portfolio) moved, pursuant to notice, That he have leave to bring in a Bill for an Act to amend the Dried Fruits Act 1928-1933. Question—put and passed.

Mr. Hunter 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. Hunter moved, by leave, That the Bill be now read a second time. Mr. Forde 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.

21. DAIRY PRODUCE BILL (1935).-Mr. Hunter (Minister without portfolio) moved, pursuant to notice, That he have leave to bring in a Bill for an Act to amend the Dairy Produce Act 1933. Question—put and passed.

Mr. Hunter 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. Hunter moved, by leave, That the Bill be now read a second time.

Mr. Barnard 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.

- 22. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDER OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That Order of the Day No. 1 be postponed until after Order of the Day No. 2, Government Business.
- 23. NATIONALITY BILL (1934).—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.

Sir Littleton Groom 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.

24. ADJOURNMENT.-Mr. Thomas Paterson (Minister for the Interior) moved, That the House do now adjourn.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and passed.

And then the House, at three 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. Curtin, Mr. Fisken, Sir Henry Gullett, Mr. Hawker, Mr. Lyons, Mr. W. Maloney, Mr. Menzies, Mr. Perkins, Mr. Frederick Stewart, and Mr. Thorby.

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