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THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA,
CANBERRA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

No. 11.

WEDNESDAY, 4TH MAY, 1938.

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. AUSTRALIAN BROADCASTING COMMISSION—FIFTH ANNUAL REPORT—MOTION FOR PRINTING PAPER.—Mr. Perkins (Minister representing the Postmaster-General) presented, pursuant to Statute, the following Paper—
Australian Broadcasting Commission Act—Fifth Annual Report and Balance-sheet of the Australian Broadcasting Commission, for year 1936-37—
and moved, That the Report be printed.
Mr. Curtin (Leader of the Opposition) 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.
3. PAPERS.—The following Paper was presented, by command of His Excellency the Administrator—
External Affairs Department—Report for 1937.
Ordered to lie on the Table, and to be printed.
The following Papers were presented, pursuant to Statute—
Arbitration (Public Service) Act—Determinations by the Arbitrator, &c.—1938—
No. 5—Federated Public Service Assistants' Association of Australia.
No. 12—Federated Public Service Assistants' Association of Australia.
No. 13—Commonwealth Telegraph Traffic and Supervisory Officers' Association.
4. WHITE ALIEN MIGRATION—MINISTERIAL STATEMENT.—Mr. McEwen (Minister for the Interior), by leave, made a Ministerial Statement with respect to White Alien Migration.
5. NATIONAL HEALTH AND PENSIONS INSURANCE BILL 1938.—Mr. Casey (Treasurer) moved, pursuant to notice, That he have leave to bring in a Bill for an Act to provide for Insurance against certain Contingencies affecting Employees, and the Wives, Children, Widows, and Orphans of Employees, and for other purposes.
Mr. Curtin (Leader of the Opposition) moved, as an amendment, That all words after the word "against" be omitted with a view to the insertion of the following words in place thereof:—
"unemployment, sickness, partial and/or temporary invalidity affecting the people of the Commonwealth".
Debate ensued.
Mr. Forde rising to address the House—
Closure.—Mr. Gardner moved, That the question be now put.
Question—That the question be now put—put.
The House divided (The Speaker, Mr. Bell, in the Chair)—

Ayes, 36.

Mr. Anthony	Sir Charles Marr
Mr. Badman	Mr. McCall
Mr. Cameron	Mr. McEwen
Mr. Casey	Mr. Nairn
Mr. Collins	Mr. Paterson
Mr. Fairbairn	Mr. Perkins
Mr. Francis	Mr. Price
Mr. Gregory	Mr. Prowse
Sir Henry Gullett	Mr. Rankin
Mr. Harrison	Mr. Scholfield
Mr. Hawker	Mr. Stacey
Mr. Holt	Sir Frederick Stewart
Mr. Hughes	Mr. Street
Mr. Hutchinson	Mr. Thompson
Mr. Jennings	Mr. Thorby
Mr. Jolly	
Mr. Lane	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. John Lawson	Mr. Gardner
Mr. Lyons	Mr. Nock

Noes, 30.

Mr. Baker	Mr. Maloney
Mr. Barnard	Mr. Martens
Mr. Blackburn	Mr. Mulcahy
Mr. Brennan	Mr. Pollard
Mr. Clark	Mr. Riordan
Mr. Corser	Mr. Rosevear
Mr. Curtin	Mr. Scullin
Mr. Drakeford	Mr. Scully
Mr. Fadden	Mr. Sheehan
Mr. Forde	Mr. Ward
Mr. Frost	Mr. Watkins
Mr. Green	Mr. Wilson
Mr. Holloway	
Mr. Lazzarini	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. Mahoney	Mr. Gander
Mr. Makin	Mr. George Lawson

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

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And the question—That the words proposed to be omitted stand part of the question—being accordingly put—

The House divided (The Speaker, Mr. Bell, in the Chair)—

Ayes, 38.

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Mr. Jolly	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. Lane	Mr. Gardner
Mr. John Lawson	Mr. Nock

Noes, 28.

Mr. Baker	Mr. Martens
Mr. Barnard	Mr. Mulcahy
Mr. Blackburn	Mr. Pollard
Mr. Brennan	Mr. Riordan
Mr. Clark	Mr. Rosevear
Mr. Curtin	Mr. Scullin
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And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Question—That the motion be agreed to—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 asked leave to move, That the Bill be now read a second time.

Objection being raised, leave not granted.

Mr. Casey moved, That so much of the Standing Orders be suspended as would prevent the second reading being moved forthwith.

Question—put.

The House divided (The Speaker, Mr. Bell, in the Chair)—

Ayes, 38.

Mr. Anthony	Mr. Lyons
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Mr. Cameron	Mr. McCall
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Mr. Lazzarini	
Mr. Mahoney	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. Makin	Mr. Gander
Mr. Maloney	Mr. George Lawson

And so it was resolved in the affirmative, with the concurrence of an absolute majority of the Members of the House.

Mr. Casey moved, That the Bill be now read a second time.

Mr. Casey 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.

Mr. Casey continuing to address the House and not having concluded his speech at the termination of the further time allowed—

Ordered—That the honorable Member have leave to continue his speech.

Mr. Curtin (Leader of the Opposition) 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. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDER OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That Order of the Day No. 1 be postponed until a later hour this day.

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7. WAYS AND MEANS—NATIONAL HEALTH AND PENSIONS INSURANCE CONTRIBUTIONS.—The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Ways and Means.

(In the Committee.)

Mr. Casey (Treasurer) moved the following two motions—

(1) 1. That, on and after a date fixed by Proclamation under the Act passed to give effect to this resolution, liability be imposed upon employers to make payments at the following rates, being part of contributions payable in respect of National Health and Pensions Insurance :—

- (a) In respect of the insurance of an employed person—
 In the case of a male One shilling and sixpence per week.
 In the case of a female One shilling per week.
- (b) In respect of the insurance of a partially exempt employee entitled in respect of his or her insurance to pension and dependent child's allowance only—
 In the case of a male Eleven pence per week.
 In the case of a female Five pence per week.
- (c) In respect of the insurance of a partially exempt male employee entitled in respect of his insurance to widow's pension and dependent child's allowance or orphan's pension only—Sixpence per week.
- (d) In respect of the insurance of a juvenile contributor entitled in respect of his or her insurance to medical benefit—
 In the case of either a male or a female Fourpence per week.
- (e) In respect of the insurance of a male employed person who has attained the age of sixty-five years—One shilling and sixpence per week.
- (f) In respect of the insurance of a female employed person who has attained the age of sixty years—One shilling per week.

2. That the rates of payments specified in paragraphs (a) and (b) of clause 1 of this resolution shall be increased by Threepence per week in respect of men and women as on and from the third day of January, One thousand nine hundred and forty-four, and, as on and from the third day of January, One thousand nine hundred and forty-nine, those rates shall be further increased by Threepence per week in respect of men only.

3. That the rates of payments specified in paragraph (c) of clause 1 of this resolution shall be increased by Twopence per week as on and from the third day of January, One thousand nine hundred and forty-four, and shall be further increased by One penny per week as on and from the third day of January, One thousand nine hundred and forty-nine.

4. That the rate of payments specified in paragraph (e) of clause 1 of this resolution shall be increased by Threepence per week as on and from the third day of January, One thousand nine hundred and forty-four, and, as on and from the third day of January, One thousand nine hundred and forty-nine, shall be further increased by Threepence per week.

5. That the rate of payments specified in paragraph (f) of clause 1 of this resolution shall be increased by Threepence per week as on and from the third day of January, One thousand nine hundred and forty-four.

(2) 1. That, on and after a date fixed by Proclamation under the Act passed to give effect to this resolution, liability be imposed upon employees to make payments at the following rates, being part of contributions payable in respect of National Health and Pensions Insurance :—

- (a) In respect of the insurance of an employed person—
 In the case of a male One shilling and sixpence per week.
 In the case of a female One shilling per week.
- (b) In respect of the insurance of a partially exempt employee entitled in respect of his or her insurance to pension and dependent child's allowance only—
 In the case of a male Eleven pence per week.
 In the case of a female Five pence per week.
- (c) In respect of the insurance of a partially exempt male employee entitled in respect of his insurance to widow's pension and dependent child's allowance or orphan's pension only—Sixpence per week.
- (d) In respect of the insurance of a juvenile contributor entitled in respect of his or her insurance to medical benefit—
 In the case of either a male or a female Fourpence per week.

2. That the rates of payments specified in paragraphs (a) and (b) of clause 1 of this resolution shall be increased by Threepence per week in respect of men and women as on and from the third day of January, One thousand nine hundred and forty-four, and, as on and from the third day of January, One thousand nine hundred and forty-nine, those rates shall be further increased by Threepence per week in respect of men only.

3. That the rates of payments specified in paragraph (c) of clause 1 of this resolution shall be increased by Twopence per week as on and from the third day of January, One thousand nine hundred and forty-four, and shall be further increased by One penny per week as on and from the third day of January, One thousand nine hundred and forty-nine.

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

The House resumed : Mr. Prowse reported accordingly.

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

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8. WAYS AND MEANS [CUSTOMS TARIFF AMENDMENT (No. 2), EXCISE TARIFF AMENDMENT (No. 2)].—
The House, according to Order, again resolved itself into the Committee of Ways and Means.

(In the Committee.)

Mr. Perkins (Acting Minister for Trade and Customs) moved—

CUSTOMS TARIFF AMENDMENT (No. 2).

That the Schedule to the *Customs Tariff* 1933-1936 as proposed to be amended by the Customs Tariff Proposals introduced into the House of Representatives on the eighth day of December, One thousand nine hundred and thirty-seven, be further amended as hereunder set out, and that on and after the fifth day of May, One thousand nine hundred and thirty-eight, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, reckoned according to standard time in the Territory for the Seat of Government, Duties of Customs be collected in pursuance of the *Customs Tariff* 1933-1936 as so amended.

IMPORT DUTIES.

Tariff Items.	British Preferential Tariff.	Intermediate Tariff.	General Tariff.
DIVISION VI.—METALS AND MACHINERY.			
161. By adding to sub-item (B) a new paragraph (4) as follows :— “ (4) Hand (other than roller), with train gears ; hand (other than roller), specially designed for the combined purpose of trimming and edging ad val.	20 per cent.	..	65 per cent.”
172. By omitting the whole of sub-item (A) and inserting in its stead the following sub-item :— “ (A) (1) Clothes washing machines for household use, electrically or power driven - each or ad val. whichever rate returns the higher duty. And in respect of paragraph (1)— For each £1 by which the equivalent in Australian currency of £100 sterling is less than £125 at the date of exportation— An additional duty of - each or ad val. whichever is applicable. (2) Clothes washing machines n.e.i. and mangles, for household use - - - ad val.	12½ per cent. .. .6 per cent. 12½ per cent.	27½ per cent. .. .7 per cent. 27½ per cent.	£6 53½ per cent. 1s. 7½d. .9 per cent. 27½ per cent.”
176. By omitting the whole of paragraph (2) of sub-item (F) and inserting in its stead the following paragraph :— “ (2) (a) Refrigerators and refrigerator parts - ad val. (b) Refrigerators, electric, up to and including 10 cubic feet gross internal capacity and parts thereof, viz. :— (1) Refrigerators, including mechanical driving units and apparatus for transmitting power from such driving units to the driven units { each and per cubic foot of gross internal capacity - or ad val. whichever rate returns the higher duty. (2) Parts (other than parts imported in an unassembled condition), viz. :— (a) Cabinets { each and per cubic foot of gross internal capacity - or ad val. whichever rate returns the higher duty.	55 per cent. .. .. .. .. .. ..	.. .. .. .. .. ..	.. £5 £2 75 per cent. £2 2s. 6d. 17s. 75 per cent.

IMPORT DUTIES—*continued.*

Tariff Items.	British- Preferential Tariff.	Intermediate Tariff.	General Tariff.
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Division VI.—Metals and Machinery—*continued.*

176—*continued.*

(a) (2)—*continued.*

(b)—*continued.*

(2)—*continued.*

(b) Compressors (not forming part of sealed or semi-sealed refrigerating units)—

(1) Single cylinder each	..	..	£1 12s. 6d.
or ad val.	..	..	75 per cent.

whichever rate returns the higher duty.			
(2) Double cylinder each	..	..	£2
or ad val.	..	..	75 per cent.

whichever rate returns the higher duty.			
(c) Evaporators (not forming part of sealed or semi-sealed refrigerating units) - each	..	..	£1
or ad val.	..	..	75 per cent.

whichever rate returns the higher duty.			
(d) Sealed or semi-sealed refrigerating units, including mechanical driving units and apparatus for transmitting power from such driving units to the driven units - each	..	..	£8 10s.
or ad val.	..	..	75 per cent.

whichever rate returns the higher duty.			
(e) Other - - - ad val.	75 per cent.

(3) Parts imported in an unassembled condition - - - ad val.	75 per cent.
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(c) Refrigerators, electric, exceeding 10 cubic feet gross internal capacity and parts thereof; refrigerators (other than electric) and parts thereof - - - ad val.	75 per cent."
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179. By omitting the whole of sub-clause (a) of clause (1) of sub-paragraph (a) of paragraph (1) (third time occurring) of sub-item (D) and inserting in its stead the following sub-clause :—

"(a) 1 horse-power and up to and including 150 horse-power - - - ad val.	30 per cent.	50 per cent.	65 per cent.
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And in respect of sub-clause (a)—

For each £1 by which the equivalent in Australian currency of £100 sterling is less than £125 at the date of exportation—

An additional duty of - - - ad val.	.6 per cent.	.6 per cent.	.6 per cent."
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By omitting the whole of sub-clause (a) of clause (4) of sub-paragraph (c) of paragraph (1) (third time occurring) of sub-item (D) and inserting in its stead the following sub-clause :—

"(a) 0.746 k.w. and up to and including 20 k.w. - ad val.	30 per cent.	50 per cent.	65 per cent.
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And in respect of sub-clause (a)—

For each £1 by which the equivalent in Australian currency of £100 sterling is less than £125 at the date of exportation—

An additional duty of - - - ad val.	.6 per cent.	.6 per cent.	.6 per cent."
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IMPORT DUTIES—*continued.*

Tariff Items	British Preferential Tariff.	Intermediate Tariff.	General Tariff.
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Division VI.—Metals and Machinery—*continued.*179—*continued.*

By omitting the whole of sub-paragraph (d) of paragraph (1) (third time occurring) of sub-item (D) and inserting in its stead the following sub-paragraph :—

“(d) N.E.I.—

(1) 1 horse-power or over - ad val.	30 per cent.	50 per cent.	65 per cent.
And in respect of clause (1)— For each £1 by which the equivalent in Australian currency of £100 sterling is less than £125 at the date of exportation— An additional duty of - ad val.	.6 per cent.	.6 per cent.	.6 per cent.
(2) $\frac{1}{2}$ horse-power and over but less than 1 horse-power - each - ad val.	30 per cent.	50 per cent.	15s. 65 per cent.
And in respect of clause (2)— For each £1 by which the equivalent in Australian currency of £100 sterling is less than £125 at the date of exportation— An additional duty of - ad val.	.6 per cent.	.6 per cent.	.6 per cent.
(3) Less than $\frac{1}{2}$ horse-power - ad val.	30 per cent.	50 per cent.	75 per cent.
And in respect of clause (3)— For each £1 by which the equivalent in Australian currency of £100 sterling is less than £125 at the date of exportation— An additional duty of - ad val.	.6 per cent.	.6 per cent.	.6 per cent.
(4) Parts of dynamo electric machines under 1 horse-power when not forming a complete or substantially complete dynamo electric machine - ad val.	30 per cent.	50 per cent.	75 per cent.
And in respect of clause (4)— For each £1 by which the equivalent in Australian currency of £100 sterling is less than £125 at the date of exportation— An additional duty of - ad val.	.6 per cent.	.6 per cent.	.6 per cent.”

By omitting the whole of sub-paragraph (a) of paragraph (3) of sub-item (D) (second time occurring) and inserting in its stead the following sub-paragraph :—

“(a) Electric fans of the type ordinarily used in offices and the household - ad val.

15 per cent. 40 per cent. 65 per cent.”

By omitting the whole of sub-paragraph (d) of paragraph (3) of sub-item (D) (second time occurring).

180. By omitting the whole of sub-item (c) and inserting in its stead the following sub-item :—

“(c) (1) Electroliers ; gasaliers ; chandeliers ; pendants ; and brackets - ad val.
(2) Gas cooking and heating appliances, including gas ranges - ad val.

35 per cent. .. 60 per cent.
35 per cent. .. 55 per cent.”

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IMPORT DUTIES—continued.

Tariff Items.	British Preferential Tariff.	Intermediate Tariff.	General Tariff.
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Division VI.—Metals and Machinery—continued.

180—continued.

By omitting the whole of sub-item (L) and inserting in its stead the following sub-item :—

“(L) Condensers, viz. :—

(1) Electrolytic - - - - - each
ad val. 30 per cent. 50 per cent. 8d.
57½ per cent.

or { And for each £1 by which the equivalent in Australian currency of £100 sterling is less than £125 at the date of exportation—
An additional duty of - ad val. .6 per cent. .6 per cent. .6 per cent.
whichever rate returns the higher duty.

(2) N.E.L. - - - - - ad val. 30 per cent. 50 per cent. 57½ per cent.

And in respect of paragraph (2)—

For each £1 by which the equivalent in Australian currency of £100 sterling is less than £125 at the date of exportation—

An additional duty of - ad val. .6 per cent. .6 per cent. .6 per cent.”

181. By omitting the whole of paragraph (2) of sub-item (A) and inserting in its stead the following paragraph :—

“(2) Valves for wireless telegraphy and telephony, including rectifying valves - - - each
or ad val. 2s. 3d. 4s.
20 per cent. 40 per cent.
whichever rate returns the higher duty.”

208. By adding a new sub-item (J) as follows :—

“(J) Hinges, spring, made from metal 15-gauge (Birmingham Sheet Gauge) or thicker, viz. :—

(1) Double action type
per inch of length of flange
ad val. 30 per cent. 50 per cent. 1s. 1d.
65 per cent.

or { And for each £1 by which the equivalent in Australian currency of £100 sterling is less than £125 at the date of exportation—
An additional duty of ad val. .6 per cent. .6 per cent. .6 per cent.
whichever rate returns the higher duty.

(2) Single action type
per inch of length of flange
ad val. 30 per cent. 50 per cent. 8d.
65 per cent.

or { And for each £1 by which the equivalent in Australian currency of £100 sterling is less than £125 at the date of exportation—
An additional duty of ad val. .6 per cent. .6 per cent. .6 per cent.
whichever rate returns the higher duty.”

DIVISION XIII.—PAPER AND STATIONERY.

338. By omitting the whole of sub-item (A) and inserting in its stead the following sub-item :—

“(A) (1) Manufactures of, or articles partly manufactured of, framed (including the weight of the frame), or unframed, having advertisements thereon ; Price Lists ; Prospectuses ; Showcards ; Catalogues, Circulars, Pictures n.e.i., and Printed Photographed or Lithographed Matter, used or intended to be used for advertising purposes ; Pictures used or

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IMPORT DUTIES—*continued.*

Tariff Items.	British Preferential Tariff.	Intermediate Tariff.	General Tariff.
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Division XIII.—Paper and Stationery—*continued.*338—*continued.*(A) (1)—*continued.*

intended to be used in the manufacture of box tops, pad covers, calendars, almanacs and the like; all Printed or Embossed Bags or Containers; Calendars, Almanacs, and Diaries; Australian Directories, Guides, and Timetables; Paper Patterns; Labels of all kinds; Tickets, printed, viz., Railway, Tramway, and other, including paper and board printed or prepared in any way therefor; Billheads, Memorandum Forms, and all other printed ruled or engraved Forms of Paper n.e.i.; also Printed Wrapping Paper, and Printed Surface Coated Paper; Paper Patty Pans and like paper containers of all sizes, also paper chocolate cups, including the weight of the immediate containing cartons

per lb. 1s.
or ad val. 45 per cent.

.. .. 1s. 6d.
.. .. 65 per cent.

whichever rate returns the higher duty.

(2) Posters of all kinds, used or intended to be used for advertising purposes

per lb. 1s.
or ad val. 45 per cent.

.. ..
.. ..

whichever rate returns the higher duty.

per lb. ..
and ad val. ..

1s. 6d.
65 per cent."

346. By omitting the whole of sub-item (A) and inserting in its stead the following sub-item:—

"(A) (1) Pencils of wood, including pencils with metal or other clamps or attachments, viz.:—

(a) Black lead pencils, the value for duty of which does not exceed 6s. per gross

ad val. Free

.. .. 31½ per cent.

And in respect of sub-paragraph (a)—

For each £1 by which the equivalent in Australian currency of £100 sterling is less than £125 at the date of exportation—

An additional duty of

ad val. ..

.. .. .5 per cent.

(b) Other - - - - - ad val. Free

.. .. 15 per cent.

(2) Penhandles of wood (including metal attachments for nibs) - - - - - ad val. Free

.. .. 15 per cent."

DIVISION XIV.—VEHICLES.

351. By omitting the whole of sub-item (B) and inserting in its stead the following sub-item:—

"(B) (1) Brake and transmission linings - ad val. Free

.. .. 35 per cent.

(2) Valves for pneumatic tyres; cyclometers; and speedometers - - - - - ad val. Free

.. .. 15 per cent."

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IMPORT DUTIES—continued.

Tariff Items.	British Preferential Tariff.	Intermediate Tariff.	General Tariff.
Division XIV.—Vehicles—continued.			
359. By omitting the whole of paragraph (3) of sub-item (F) and inserting in its stead the following paragraph :— “(3) Gears for vehicles with self-contained power excepting motor cycles and vehicles for railways and tramways, viz. :—Crown wheels and pinions, transmission gears, differential gears, worms and worm wheels, internal tooth gears, jack shaft pinions and flywheel starter bands - ad val. and per lb.	30 per cent.	30 per cent.	37½ per cent.
And in respect of paragraph (3)— For each £1 by which the equivalent in Australian currency of £100 sterling is less than £125 at the date of exportation— An additional duty of - - ad val.	.6 per cent.	.6 per cent.	.6 per cent.”
By omitting the whole of paragraph (6) of sub-item (F) and inserting in its stead the following paragraph :— “(6) Devices for catching or fastening doors of motor vehicles, excluding handles :— (a) Door locks, not including striker plates ad val. or each whichever rate returns the higher duty.	20 per cent.	..	60 per cent. 1s.
(b) Remote controls, with or without connecting links - - - ad val. or each whichever rate returns the higher duty.	20 per cent.	..	60 per cent. 4d.
(c) Other, including striker plates - ad val.	20 per cent.	..	60 per cent.”
By omitting the whole of paragraph (1) of sub-item (G) (second time occurring) and inserting in its stead the following paragraph :— “(1) Springs for motor vehicle chassis - - per lb. or ad val. whichever rate returns the higher duty.	4d. 45 per cent.	.. ..	5d. 65 per cent.
And on and after 1st July, 1938— (1) Springs for motor vehicle chassis, viz. :— (a) Coil springs - - - per lb. or ad val. whichever rate returns the higher duty.	4d. 45 per cent.	.. ..	1s. 65 per cent.
(b) Other - - - per lb. or ad val. whichever rate returns the higher duty.”	4d. 45 per cent.	.. ..	5d. 65 per cent.
By omitting the whole of paragraph (5) of sub-item (G) (second time occurring) and inserting in its stead the following paragraph :— “(5) Shock absorbers but not including steering dampers :— (a) Hydraulic, double acting, of the semi-rotary double vane type, having overload release valves with external adjustment each or ad val. whichever rate returns the higher duty.	5s. 45 per cent.	.. ..	12s. 6d. 65 per cent.
(b) Other - - - each or ad val. whichever rate returns the higher duty.”	5s. 45 per cent.	15s. 65 per cent.

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IMPORT DUTIES—*continued*.

Tariff Items.	British Preferential Tariff.	Intermediate Tariff.	General Tariff.
DIVISION XVI.—MISCELLANEOUS.			
397. By omitting the whole of sub-item (A) and inserting in its stead the following sub-item :—			
“ (A) Cartridges n.e.i.—			
(1) Metallic rimfire - - - - - per 100 ad val.	10 per cent.	30 per cent.	1s. 3d. 50 per cent.
or { And for each £1 by which the equivalent in Australian currency of £100 sterling is less than £125 at the date of exportation— An additional duty of - - - ad val. whichever rate returns the higher duty.	.6 per cent.	.6 per cent.	.6 per cent.
(2) Other - - - - - ad val.	10 per cent.	30 per cent.	50 per cent.
And in respect of paragraph (2)— For each £1 by which the equivalent in Australian currency of £100 sterling is less than £125 at the date of exportation— An additional duty of - - - ad val.	.6 per cent.	.6 per cent.	.6 per cent.”

EXCISE TARIFF AMENDMENT (No. 2).

That the Schedule to the *Excise Tariff* 1921–1936 as proposed to be amended by the Excise Tariff Proposals introduced into the House of Representatives on the eighth day of December, One thousand nine hundred and thirty-seven, be further amended as hereunder set out, and that on and after the fifth day of May, One thousand nine hundred and thirty-eight, 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* 1921–1936 as so amended.

EXCISE DUTIES.

Articles.	Rate of Duty.
19. By omitting the whole item (three times occurring) and inserting in its stead the following item :— “ 19. Valves for wireless telegraphy and telephony including rectifying valves each	1s. 9d.”

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

The House resumed ; Mr. Prowse reported accordingly.

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

9. 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.

10. LOAN BILL 1938.—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.

Mr. Collins 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. ADJOURNMENT.—Mr. Thorby (Minister for Defence) moved, That the House do now adjourn.

Question—put and passed.

And then the House, at seven 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. Beasley, Mr. Hunter, Mr. James, Mr. Menzies, Sir Earle Page, Mr. Spender, and Mr. White.

F. C. GREEN,
Clerk of the House of Representatives.