## THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA, CANBERRA.

# VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

#### REPRESENTATIVES. HOUSE OF

No. 55.

## THURSDAY, 3RD NOVEMBER, 1938.

- 1. The House met, at eleven o'clock a.m., pursuant to adjournment.-Mr. Speaker (the Honorable G. J. Bell) took the Chair, and read Prayers.
- 2. STATEMENT BY MEMBER. -Mr. Menzies (Attorney-General), by leave, made a Statement with respect to an article appearing in to-day's issue of the Canberra Times.
- 3. Want of Confidence in the Government.—The Order of the Day having been read for the resumption of the debate on the following motion of Mr. Curtin:—That, because of its lamentable lack of leadership in regard to urgent national problems, the Government has forfeited the confidence of this House-

Debate resumed.

Mr. Brennan addressing the House and 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.

Debate continued.

Mr. Holloway addressing the House and not having concluded his speech at the termination of the time allowed by Standing Order No. 257B—
Mr. Mahoney moved, That the honorable Member have leave to continue his speech.

Question—put.

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

Ayes, 28.		Noes, 37.		
Mr. Baker Mr. Barnard Mr. Beasley Mr. Blackburn Mr. Brennan Mr. Clark Mr. Drakeford Mr. Forde Mr. Forde Mr. Holloway Mr. James Mr. Lazzarini Mr. Mahoney Mr. Makin	Mr. Maloney Mr. Martens Mr. Mulcahy Mr. Pollard Mr. Rosevear Mr. Scullin Mr. Scully Mr. Sheehan Mr. Ward Mr. Watkins Mr. Wilson  Tellers: Mr. Gander Mr. George Lawson	Mr. Cameron Mr. Casey Mr. Collins Mr. Corser Mr. Fairbairn Mr. Francis Mr. Gregory Mr. Harrison Mr. Holt Mr. Hughes Mr. Hutchinson Mr. Jennings Mr. Jolly Mr. Lane Mr. John Lawson Sir Charles Marr Mr. McCall Mr. McEwen Mr. Menzies	Mr. Nairn Sir Earle Page Mr. Paterson Mr. Perkins Mr. Price Mr. Prowse Mr. Rankin Mr. Scholfield Mr. Spender Mr. Stacey Sir Frederick Stewart Mr. Street Mr. Thompson Mr. Thorby Mr. White  Tellers: Mr. Gardner Mr. Nock	

And so it was negatived.

Debate continued.

Closure.-Mr. Thompson (Assistant Minister) moved, That the question be now put.

Question—That the question be now put—put.

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

Ayes, 39.		Noes, 29.		
Mr. Cameron Mr. Casey Mr. Collins Mr. Corser Mr. Fadden Mr. Fairbairn Mr. Francis Mr. Gregory Sir Henry Gullett Mr. Harrison Mr. Holt Mr. Hunter Mr. Hutchinson Mr. Jennings Mr. John Lawson Mr. Lyons Sir Charles Marr Mr. McCall Mr. McEwen	Mr. Menzies Mr. Nairn Sir Earle Page Mr. Paterson Mr. Perkins Mr. Price Mr. Prowse Mr. Rankin Mr. Scholfield Mr. Spender Mr. Stacey Sir Frederick Stewart Mr. Street Mr. Thompson Mr. Thorby Mr. White  Tellers: Mr. Gardner Mr. Nock	Mr. Baker Mr. Barnard Mr. Beasley Mr. Blackburn Mr. Brennan Mr. Clark Mr. Curtin Mr. Forde Mr. Forde Mr. Frost Mr. Green Mr. Holloway Mr. James Mr. Lazzarini Mr. Mahoney Mr. Makin	Mr. Maloney Mr. Martens Mr. Mulcahy Mr. Pollard Mr. Rosevear Mr. Scullin Mr. Scully Mr. Sheehan Mr. Ward Mr. Watkins Mr. Wilson  Tellers: Mr. Gander Mr. George Lawson	

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

And the question-That the motion be agreed to-being accordingly put-

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

Ayes, 28.		Noes, 41.		
Mr. Baker Mr. Barnard Mr. Beasley Mr. Blackburn Mr. Brennan Mr. Clark Mr. Curtin Mr. Drakeford Mr. Forde Mr. Forde Mr. Frost Mr. Green Mr. Holloway Mr. James Mr. Lazzarini Mr. Mahoney	Mr. Makin Mr. Maloney Mr. Martens Mr. Mulcahy Mr. Pollard Mr. Rosevear Mr. Scullin Mr. Scully Mr. Sheehan Mr. Ward Mr. Watkins  Tellers: Mr. Gander Mr. George Lawson	Mr. Cameron Mr. Casey Mr. Collins Mr. Corser Mr. Fadden Mr. Fairbairn Mr. Francis Mr. Gregory Sir Henry Gullett Mr. Harrison Mr. Holt Mr. Hughes Mr. Hutchinson Mr. Jennings Mr. Jolly Mr. Lane Mr. John Lawson Mr. Lyons Sir Charles Marr Mr. McCall Mr. McEwen	Mr. Menzies Mr. Nairn Sir Earle Page Mr. Paterson Mr. Perkins Mr. Price Mr. Prowse Mr. Rankin Mr. Scholfield Mr. Spender Mr. Stacey Sir Frederick Stewart Mr. Street Mr. Thompson Mr. Thorby Mr. White Mr. Wilson  Tellers: Mr. Gardner Mr. Nock	

And so it was negatived.

4. Customs Tariff Validation Bill. 1938.—Mr. White (Minister for Trade and Customs) moved, by leave, That he have leave to bring in a Bill for an Act to provide for the Validation of Collections of Duties of Customs under Customs Tariff Proposals.

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.

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. Prowse reported accordingly. On the motion of Mr. White, the House adopted the Report, and, by leave, the Bill was read a third time.

5. Message from the Governor-General.—Apple and Pear Organization Bill 1938.—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor-General was presented, and was read by Mr. Speaker:

GOWRIE,

Governor-General.

Message No. 42.

In accordance with the requirements of section fifty-six 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 relating to the Marketing of Apples and Pears.

Canberra, 12th October, 1938.

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. Cameron (Assistant 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 the Marketing of Apples and Pears. Question—put and passed.

Resolution to be reported.

The House resumed; Mr. Prowse reported accordingly.

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

6. Apple and Pear Organization Bill 1938.—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 1 further considered and agreed to.

Clause 2 agreed to.

Clause 3-

Mr. Fairbairn moved, as an amendment, That after the definition of "approved growers' organizations" the following definition be inserted :-

" 'grower' in relation to a poll of growers taken for the purpose of this Act, means the occupier of an orchard from which at least two hundred and fifty bushels of apples or pears were exported in each of at least two of the three years preceding the taking of the poll in relation to which the expression is used; ".

Debate ensued

Amendment withdrawn, by leave.

Clause agreed to.

Mr. Fairbairn moved, as an amendment, That the words "from a panel submitted by the approved growers' organizations in that State " (page 2, lines 31-32) be omitted with a view to the insertion of the words " by a poll of apple and pear growers in that State " in place thereof.

Debate ensued.

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

The House resumed; Mr. Collins reported accordingly.

Resolved-That the House will, at the next sitting, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

7. PAPERS.—The following Papers were presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor-General— Nauru—Ordinances of 1938-

No. 1.—Official Secrecy.

No. 3.—Laws Repeal and Adopting.

Severally ordered to lie on the Table.

The following Papers were presented, pursuant to Statute-

Air Force Act—Regulations Amended—Statutory Rules 1938, No. 97.

Air Navigation Act-Regulations Amended-Statutory Rules 1938, No. 104.

Canned Fruits Export Control Act—Regulations Amended—Statutory Rules 1938, No. 101. Commonwealth Public Service Act—Appointments of N. Cook, D. G. Edward, F. Hartley, H. A. Jones, and L. A. Perry, Department of the Interior.

Commonwealth Shipping Act—Commonwealth Shipping Board—Cockatoo Island Dockyard—Balance-sheet and Liquidation Account, 28th February, 1938, with Auditor-General's

certificates. Customs Act and Commerce (Trade Descriptions) Act—Regulations Amended—Statutory

Rules 1938, No. 102. Defence Act—Regulations Amended—Statutory Rules 1938, Nos. 96, 98.

Invalid and Old-age Pensions Act-Statement for year 1937-38.

Lands Acquisition Act—Land acquired at—
Darwin, Northern Territory—For Administration purposes.
Miranda, New South Wales—For Postal purposes.

Northern Territory Acceptance Act and Northern Territory (Administration) Act-Ordinance No. 14 of 1938—Jury.

Aboriginals Ordinance—Regulations Amended.

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

And then the House, at ten minutes past ten 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. Anthony, 'Mr. Badman\*, and Mr. Riordan.

\* On leave.

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