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THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

No. 118.

FRIDAY, 5TH MARCH, 1948.

1. The House met, at half-past ten o'clock a.m., pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker (the Honorable J. S. Rosevear) took the Chair, and read Prayers.
2. ALTERATION OF DAY OF NEXT MEETING.—Mr. Chifley (Prime Minister) moved, That the House, at its rising, adjourn until Wednesday next at three o'clock p.m.
Question—put and passed.
3. LEAVE OF ABSENCE TO MEMBER.—Mr. Fadden moved, by leave, That leave of absence for one month be given to the Right Honorable Member for Cowper (Sir Earle Page), owing to his absence from Australia.
Question—put and passed.
4. ADJOURNMENT-MOTION FOR PURPOSE OF DISCUSSION.—Mr. Abbott 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 Australian poultry industry, the recent contract between the Australian Government and the British Government for the sale of export eggs and egg products and whether its terms can be carried out by the poultry industry".
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. Abbott moved, That the House do now adjourn.
Debate ensued.
Ordered—That Mr. Pollard (Minister for Commerce and Agriculture) be granted an extension of time.
Several Members rising to address the House—
Closure.—Mr. Scully (Vice-President of the Executive Council) moved, That the question be now put.
Question—That the question be now put—put.
The House divided (The Speaker, Mr. Rosevear, in the Chair)—

Ayes, 34.

Mr. Barnard	Mr. James
Mr. Beazley	Mr. Langtry
Mrs. Blackburn	Mr. Lawson
Mr. Brennan	Mr. Lazzarini
Mr. Burke	Mr. Lemmon
Mr. Calwell	Mr. McLeod
Mr. Chambers	Mr. Mulcahy
Mr. Clark	Mr. O'Connor
Mr. Conelan	Mr. Pollard
Mr. Daly	Mr. Riordan
Mr. Dedman	Mr. Scully
Mr. Drakeford	Mr. Sheehy
Mr. Duthie	Mr. Thompson
Mr. Edmonds	Mr. Ward
Mr. Fraser	
Mr. Gaha	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. Hadley	Mr. Fuller
Mr. Haylen	Mr. Sheehan

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Mr. Adermann	Mr. Hutchinson
Mr. Anthony	Mr. Lang
Mr. Beale	Dame Enid Lyons
Mr. Bowden	Mr. Rankin
Mr. Cameron	Mr. Ryan
Mr. Davidson	Mr. Turnbull
Mr. Falkinder	Mr. White
Mr. Francis	
Mr. Gullett	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. Hamilton	Mr. Corser
Mr. Harrison	Mr. McDonald
Mr. Holt	

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

And the question—That the House do now adjourn—was put accordingly, and negatived.

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5. PAPERS.—The following Papers were presented, pursuant to Statute—
Commonwealth Public Service Act—Appointments—Department of Supply and Shipping—
W. F. Jones, L. S. Prior.

6. ADJOURNMENT.—Mr. Chifley (Prime Minister) moved, That the House do now adjourn.
Question—put and passed.

And then the House, at one o'clock p.m., adjourned until Wednesday next at three o'clock p.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT.—All Members were present (at some time during the sitting) except Mr. Evatt, Mr. Falstein, Mr. Holloway, Mr. Johnson, Mr. McBride, Mr. McEwen, Mr. Menzies, Sir Earle Page*, Mr. Russell, Mr. Scullin*, Mr. Watkins and Mr. Williams.

* On leave.

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