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THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

No. 67.

WEDNESDAY, 17th MARCH, 1965.

- 1. The House met, at half-past two o'clock p.m., pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker (the Honorable Sir John McLeay) took the Chair, and read Prayers.
- 2. DISTINGUISHED VISITORS.—Mr. Speaker informed the House that six Members of the New Zealand Parliament, led by the Honorable R. G. Gerard, Minister for Lands and Forests, Mr. H. L. R. Niall, Speaker of the House of Assembly for the Territory of Papua and New Guinea, and a delegation of eight Members from that House were present in the gallery of the House.
 - On behalf of the House, Mr. Speaker extended a cordial welcome to these visitors.
- 3. PETITIONS.—Mr. Griffiths presented a petition from certain electors of New South Wales praying that the House will take active measures to ensure (1) adequate finance for Local Government by providing in the Budget a definite and equitable percentage from Federal taxation and revenues as grants in aid to Local Government and (2) a review of Federal, State and Local Government financial relations by a conference of the three arms of Government at the earliest possible moment.
 - Mr. Bryant presented a petition from certain citizens of the Commonwealth praying that the Government remove section 127, and the words discriminating against Aborigines in section 51, of the Commonwealth Constitution, by the holding of a referendum at an early date.

Petitions severally received and read.

- 4. QUESTIONS.—Questions without notice were asked.
- 5. PAPER.—The following paper was presented, pursuant to statute—

Egg Export Control Act-Australian Egg Board-Seventeenth Annual Report, for year 1963-64.

6. DISCUSSION OF MATTER OF PUBLIC IMPORTANCE—CONTROL OF CAPITAL INFLOW.—Mr. Speaker informed the House that Mr. Peters had proposed that a definite matter of public importance be submitted to the House for discussion, namely, "The failure of the Government to protect the economy by effective measures which would control the flow of capital into Australia ".

The proposed discussion having received the necessary support-Mr. Peters addressed the House.

Discussion ensued.

Discussion concluded.

7. PARLIAMENTARY PRESIDING OFFICERS BILL 1965.—Mr. Holt (Treasurer), by leave, presented a Bill for an Act relating to the Exercise in certain circumstances of Statutory Powers and Functions of Parliamentary Presiding Officers.

Bill read a first time.

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

Debate adjourned (Mr. Whitlam), and the resumption of the debate made an order of the day for the next sitting.

8. COAL INDUSTRY BILL 1965.—Mr. Fairbairn (Minister for National Development), by leave, presented a Bill for an Act relating to the Banking of Moneys of the Joint Coal Board and the power of that Board to borrow Money on Overdraft.

Bill read a first time.

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

Debate adjourned (Mr. Luchetti), and the resumption of the debate made an order of the day for the next sitting.

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9. RAW COTTON BOUNTY BILL 1965 .- Mr. Bury (Minister representing the Minister for Customs and Excise), by leave, presented a Bill for an Act relating to the Bounty on the Production of certain Raw Cotton sold for use in Australia.

Bill read a first time.

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

- Debate adjourned (Mr. Pollard), and the resumption of the debate made an order of the day for the next sitting.
- 10. DISCHARGE OF TARIFF PROPOSALS .- Mr. Bury (Minister representing the Minister for Customs and Excise) moved, by leave, That the following Tariff Proposals, being part of order of the day No. 16, government business, be discharged-

Customs Tariff Proposals Nos. 19 to 24;

Customs Tariff (New Zealand Preference) Proposals No. 7; and

Excise Tariff Proposals No. 1.

Ouestion-put and passed.

11. CUSTOMS TARIFF PROPOSALS NO. 30 AND CUSTOMS TARIFF (CANADA PREFERENCE) PROPOSALS NO. 3,--Mr. Bury (Minister representing the Minister for Customs and Excise) moved-

Customs Tariff Proposals No. 30; and

Customs Tariff (Canada Preference) Proposals No. 3.

- Debate adjourned (Mr. Pollard), and the resumption of the debate made an order of the day for the next sitting.
- 12. PAPER.-The following paper was presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor-General-Tariff Board-Report-Shotguns and parts. Ordered to be printed.
- 13. SUSPENSION OF STANDING ORDERS-CUSTOMS TARIFF BILLS .-- Mr. Bury (Minister representing the Minister for Customs and Excise) moved, by leave, That so much of the standing orders be suspended as would prevent three Customs Tariff Bills-
 - (a) being presented and read a first time together and one motion being moved without delay and one question being put in regard to, respectively, the second readings, the committee's report stage, and the third readings, of all the Bills together, and
 - (b) the consideration of the Bills separately in one committee of the whole.

Question-put and passed.

14. CUSTOMS TARIFF (No. 1), CUSTOMS TARIFF (CANADA PREFERENCE) AND CUSTOMS TARIFF (NEW ZEALAND PREFERENCE) BILLS 1965.-Mr. Bury (Minister representing the Minister for Customs and Excise) presented the following Bills :--

A Bill for an Act relating to Duties of Customs;

- A Bill for an Act to amend the Customs Tariff (Canada Preference) 1960-1964; and A Bill for an Act to amend the Customs Tariff (New Zealand Preference) 1933-1964.

Bills together read a first time.

Mr. Bury moved, That the Bills be now read a second time.

Debate adjourned (Mr. Pollard), and the resumption of the debate made an order of the day for the next sitting.

15. INDUS BASIN DEVELOPMENT FUND SUPPLEMENTAL AGREEMENT BILL 1964 .-- 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. Duthie was granted leave to continue his speech when the debate is resumed.

Debate adjourned, and the resumption of the debate made an order of the day for a later hour this day.

16. INDUS BASIN DEVELOPMENT FUND SUPPLEMENTAL AGREEMENT BILL 1964 .--- 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.

Debate adjourned (Mr. Aston), and the resumption of the debate made an order of the day for a later hour this day.

17. POLLUTION OF THE SEA BY OIL BILL 1965 .- Mr. Freeth (Minister for Shipping and Transport), by leave, presented a Bill for an Act to amend the Pollution of the Sea by Oil Act 1960. Bill read a first time.

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

Debate adjourned (Mr. Beazley), and the resumption of the debate made an order of the day for the next sitting.

- 18. COMMONWEALTH PARLIAMENTARY ASSOCIATION—TENTH COMMONWEALTH PARLIAMENTARY CONFERENCE— REPORT OF DELEGATION FROM COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA BRANCH—PAPER NOTED.—Mr. Howson (Minister for Air), by command of His Excellency the Governor-General, presented the following paper:—
 - Commonwealth Parliamentary Association—Tenth Commonwealth Parliamentary Conference, Kingston, Jamaica, November, 1964—Report of Delegation from Commonwealth of Australia Branch—

and moved, That the House take note of the paper.

Debate ensued.

Ordered-That Mr. Holt (Treasurer) be granted an extension of time.

Debate continued.

Question—put and passed.

19. ADJOURNMENT.—Mr. Howson (Minister for Air) moved, That the House do now adjourn. Debate ensued.

Question—put and passed.

And then the House, at eleven o'clock p.m., adjourned until to-morrow at half-past ten o'clock a.m.

PAPERS.—The following papers were deemed to have been presented on the 17th March, 1965, pursuant to statute—

Customs Tariff—Order—Customs (Intermediate Tariff) No. 151.

Customs Tariff (Primage Duties)-Orders-Customs Tariff (Primage Duties) Nos. 179, 180.

MEMBERS PRESENT.—All Members were present (at some time during the sitting) except Mr. Bosman, Mr. G. D. Erwin, Mr. A. D. Fraser, Mr. Mackay and Mr. Robinson.

A. G. TURNER,

Clerk of the House of Representatives.