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THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH.

No. 20.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

WEDNESDAY, 21ST OCTOBER, 1908.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair, and read Prayers.
2. PAPERS.—Mr. Mauger presented, pursuant to Statute—
Public Service Act—
Postmaster-General's Department—
Deputy Postmaster-General of Victoria—Reasons for non-approval by Governor-General of Public Service Commissioner's recommendation of Mr. J. A. Springhall and for requiring a further recommendation.
Rutt, Mr. P. T.—Promotion to position of Postmaster, Launceston—Papers *re*.
3. WANT OF CONFIDENCE IN THE GOVERNMENT FINANCIAL PROPOSALS.—The Order of the Day having been read for the resumption of the debate on the following motion of Mr. Reid:—That the financial proposals of the Government are unsatisfactory to this House—
Sir John Forrest moved, as an amendment, That all the words after the word "Government" be omitted from the motion with a view to the insertion of the following words in place thereof:—
"be considered in Committee on the Budget."
Debate continued.
Question—That the words proposed to be omitted stand part of the question—put.
The House divided—

Ayes, 21.

Mr. Archer	Mr. McWilliams
Mr. Bowden	Mr. Reid
Mr. Tilley Brown	Mr. Sinclair
Mr. Joseph Cook	Mr. Bruce Smith
Mr. Edwards	Mr. Dugald Thomson
Colonel Foxton	Mr. Willis
Mr. Fuller	Mr. Wilson
Sir Philip Fysh	
Mr. Glynn	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Hans Irvine	Mr. Kelly
Mr. W. H. Irvine	Mr. Wilks
Mr. Liddell	

Noes, 43.

Mr. Bamford	Mr. Maloney
Mr. Batchelor	Mr. Mathews
Mr. Thomas Brown	Mr. Mauger
Mr. Carr	Mr. McDonald
Mr. Catts	Mr. McDougall
Mr. Hume Cook	Mr. O'Malley
Mr. Coon	Mr. Poynton
Mr. Crouch	Sir John Quick
Mr. Deakin	Mr. Sampson
Mr. Ewing	Mr. Spence
Mr. Fairbairn	Mr. Storrer
Mr. Fisher	Mr. Thomas
Sir John Forrest	Mr. Tudor
Mr. Fowler	Mr. Watkins
Mr. Frazer	Mr. Watson
Mr. Groom	Mr. Webster
Mr. Harper	Mr. Wise
Mr. Hedges	Mr. Wynne
Mr. Hughes	
Mr. Hutchison	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Knox	Mr. Chanter
Sir William Lyne	Mr. John Thomson
Mr. Mahon	

And so it passed in the negative.

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Question—That the words “be considered in Committee on the Budget” proposed to be inserted be so inserted—put.

The House divided—

Ayes, 7.

Mr. Fairbairn	<i>Tellers.</i>
Sir John Forrest	
Mr. Hedges	Mr. Sampson
Mr. Knox	Mr. Wynne
Sir John Quick	

Noes, 60.

Mr. Archer	Mr. Johnson
Mr. Atkinson	Mr. Kelly
Mr. Bamford	Mr. Liddell
Mr. Batchelor	Sir William Lyne
Mr. Bowden	Mr. Mahon
Mr. Tilley Brown	Mr. Maloney
Mr. Thomas Brown	Mr. Mathews
Mr. Carr	Mr. Mauger
Mr. Catts	Mr. McDonald
Mr. Chanter	Mr. McDougall
Mr. Hume Cook	Mr. McWilliams
Mr. Joseph Cook	Mr. O'Malley
Mr. Coon	Mr. Poynton
Mr. Crouch	Mr. Reid
Mr. Deakin	Mr. Sinclair
Mr. Edwards	Mr. Bruce Smith
Mr. Ewing	Mr. Spence
Mr. Fisher	Mr. Thomas
Mr. Fowler	Mr. Dugald Thomson
Colonel Foxton	Mr. John Thomson
Mr. Frazer	Mr. Watkins
Mr. Fuller	Mr. Watson
Sir Philip Fysh	Mr. Webster
Mr. Glynn	Mr. Wilks
Mr. Groom	Mr. Willis
Mr. Hall	Mr. Wilson
Mr. Harper	Mr. Wise
Mr. Hughes	
Mr. Hutchison	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Hans Irvine	Mr. Storrer
Mr. W. H. Irvine	Mr. Tudor

And so it passed in the negative.

Mr. Johnson moved, as an amendment, that the words “ought to make better provision for the payment of old-age pensions” be inserted in place of the words omitted.

Question—That the words proposed to be inserted be so inserted—put.

The House divided—

Ayes, 18.

Mr. Archer	Mr. Sinclair
Mr. Tilley Brown	Mr. Bruce Smith
Mr. Joseph Cook	Mr. Dugald Thomson
Colonel Foxton	Mr. Wilks
Mr. Fuller	Mr. Willis
Mr. Hans Irvine	Mr. Wilson
Mr. Johnson	
Mr. Kelly	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Liddell	Mr. Bowden
Mr. Reid	Mr. McWilliams

Noes, 42.

Mr. Thomas Brown	Mr. Mahon
Mr. Carr	Mr. Maloney
Mr. Catts	Mr. Mathews
Mr. Chanter	Mr. Mauger
Mr. Hume Cook	Mr. McDonald
Mr. Coon	Mr. McDougall
Mr. Crouch	Mr. O'Malley
Mr. Deakin	Mr. Poynton
Mr. Ewing	Sir John Quick
Mr. Fairbairn	Mr. Sampson
Mr. Fisher	Mr. Spence
Sir John Forrest	Mr. Storrer
Mr. Fowler	Mr. Thomas
Mr. Frazer	Mr. John Thomson
Mr. Groom	Mr. Watkins
Mr. Hall	Mr. Watson
Mr. Harper	Mr. Webster
Mr. Hedges	Mr. Wynne
Mr. Hughes	
Mr. Hutchison	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. W. H. Irvine	Mr. Tudor
Sir William Lyne	Mr. Wise

And so it passed in the negative.

Mr. Reid having exercised his right of reply on the main question—

The Speaker called attention to the fact that what was left of the motion was meaningless, and said he presumed that the House would not desire him to put the question, and the House assented.

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4. ADJOURNMENT.—Mr. Deakin moved, That the House do now adjourn.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

MEMBERS PRESENT.—All Members were present (at some time during the sitting) except—Mr. Chapman, Mr. Foster, Mr. Livingston, Mr. Palmer, and Mr. Salmon.

C. GAVAN DUFFY,
Clerk of the House of Representatives.