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THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

No. 9.

WEEKLY REPORT OF DIVISIONS IN COMMITTEE.

WEEK ENDED 5TH NOVEMBER, 1909.

WEDNESDAY, 3RD NOVEMBER, 1909.

No. 30.—Constitution Alteration (Finance) Bill—Clause 2.

2. The Constitution is altered by inserting, after section eighty-seven thereof, the following section :—

“87A.—(1.) Notwithstanding anything in section eighty-seven of this Constitution, the Commonwealth may in the year beginning on the first day of July, One thousand nine hundred and nine, out of the net revenue of the Commonwealth from duties of customs and of excise, apply towards its expenditure for the service of that year any sum not exceeding Six hundred thousand pounds over and above one-fourth of the said net revenue.

“(2.) From and after the thirtieth day of June, One thousand nine hundred and ten, section eighty-seven of this Constitution shall cease to have effect.”

—(The Prime Minister.)

Question—That the clause stand part of the Bill—put.

The Committee divided—

Ayes, 40.

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| Mr. Archer | Mr. Kelly |
| Mr. Atkinson | Mr. Knox |
| Mr. Bowden | Mr. Livingston |
| Mr. Tilley Brown | Mr. Mauger |
| Mr. Joseph Cook | Mr. McWilliams |
| Mr. Coon | Mr. Palmer |
| Mr. Crouch | Sir John Quick |
| Mr. Deakin | Mr. Reid |
| Sir Thomas Ewing | Mr. Sampson |
| Mr. Fairbairn | Mr. Sinclair |
| Sir John Forrest | Mr. Bruce Smith |
| Mr. R. W. Foster | Mr. Storrer |
| Mr. Fowler | Mr. Dugald Thomson |
| Mr. Fuller | Mr. John Thomson |
| Sir Philip Fysh | Mr. Wilks |
| Mr. Glynn | Mr. Wilson |
| Mr. Groom | Mr. Wynne |
| Mr. Harper | |
| Mr. Hedges | <i>Tellers.</i> |
| Mr. W. H. Irvine | Mr. Hume Cook |
| Mr. Johnson | Mr. Liddell |

Noes, 25.

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| Mr. Bamford | Mr. Page |
| Mr. Batchelor | Mr. Poynton |
| Mr. Thomas Brown | Mr. Roberts |
| Mr. Catts | Mr. Spence |
| Mr. Chanter | Mr. Thomas |
| Mr. Fisher | Mr. Tudor |
| Mr. Frank J. Foster | Mr. Webster |
| Mr. Frazer | Mr. Willis |
| Mr. Hall | Mr. Wise |
| Mr. Hughes | |
| Mr. Hutchison | |
| Mr. Maloney | <i>Tellers.</i> |
| Mr. McDougall | Mr. Carr |
| Mr. O'Malley | Mr. Watkins |

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

FRIDAY (MORNING), 5TH NOVEMBER, 1909.

No. 31.—*Constitution Alteration (Finance) Bill*—(continued).—Clause 3.

3. [The] Constitution is altered by inserting, after section ninety-four thereof, the following sections:—

“94A. From and after the thirtieth day of June, One thousand nine hundred and ten, sections ninety-three and ninety-four of this Constitution shall cease to have effect.”

* * * * * —(The Prime Minister.)

Amendment proposed—That the word “The”, in line 1, be omitted from the clause. —(Mr. Harper.)

Question—That the word proposed to be omitted stand part of the clause—put.

The Committee divided—

Ayes, 33.		Noes, 33.	
Mr. Archer	Mr. Liddell	Mr. Bamford	Mr. McDougall
Mr. Atkinson	Mr. Livingston	Mr. Batchelor	Mr. O'Malley
Mr. Bowden	Mr. Mauger	Mr. Thomas Brown	Mr. Page
Mr. Tilley Brown	Mr. McWilliams	Mr. Carr	Mr. Poynton
Mr. Joseph Cook	Mr. Palmer	Mr. Catts	Mr. Roberts
Mr. Deakin	Sir John Quick	Mr. Chanter	Mr. Bruce Smith
Mr. Edwards	Mr. Reid	Mr. Coon	Mr. Spence
Sir Thomas Ewing	Mr. Sampson	Mr. Crouch	Mr. Thomas
Mr. Fairbairn	Mr. Sinclair	Mr. Fisher	Mr. Tudor
Sir John Forrest	Mr. Storrer	Mr. Frank J. Foster	Mr. Webster
Mr. R. W. Foster	Mr. Dugald Thomson	Mr. Frazer	Mr. Wilks
Mr. Fowler	Mr. John Thomson	Mr. Harper	Mr. Willis
Mr. Fuller	Mr. Wilson	Mr. Hughes	Mr. Wise
Mr. Glynn		Mr. Hutchison	
Mr. Groom		Mr. W. H. Irvine	
Mr. Hedges	<i>Tellers.</i>	Mr. Mahon	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Hans Irvine	Mr. Hume Cook	Mr. Maloney	Mr. Hall
Mr. Knox	Mr. Johnson	Mr. Mathews	Mr. Watkins

The Chairman stated that to allow an opportunity for further consideration he gave his casting vote with the Noes—

And so it passed in the negative.