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## THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH.

No. 43.

## VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

## HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

THURSDAY, 15TH SEPTEMBER, 1910.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair, and read Prayers.
2. EXPATRIATION REGULATION BILL.—Mr. Fowler, pursuant to leave given on the 1st instant, brought up a Bill intituled "*A Bill for an Act to prevent Children and Aboriginal Natives from being improperly taken out of Australia*", and moved, That it be now read a first time.  
Question—put and passed.—Bill read a first time.  
Ordered—That the second reading be made an Order of the Day for Thursday, 13th October next.
3. IMMIGRATION RESTRICTION [DEPORTATION OF CRIMINALS] BILL.—Mr. Fowler, pursuant to leave given on the 1st instant, brought up a Bill intituled "*A Bill for an Act to amend the 'Immigration Restriction Act 1901-1908' so as to give increased power to the Minister for External Affairs to deport Criminals*", and moved, That it be now read a first time.  
Question—put and passed.—Bill read a first time.  
Ordered—That the second reading be made an Order of the Day for Thursday, 13th October next.
4. PRODUCE—COMMONWEALTH CONTROL OF INTER-STATE.—The Order of the Day having been read for the resumption of the debate on the following motion of Mr. Atkinson:—That, in the opinion of this House, the Commonwealth should forthwith take over the inspection and effective control of produce passing from State to State—and on the amendment moved thereto by Mr. Sinclair, viz.:—That all the words after the word "House" be omitted, and that in place thereof the following words be inserted—
- "a Select Committee, with a representative from each State, should be appointed to inquire into the best means of inspection and effective control of produce passing from State to State.
- (2) That such Committee should also inquire as to the most suitable means of inspecting, grading and marking produce intended for export"—

Debate resumed.

Question—That the words proposed to be omitted stand part of the question—put.

The House divided—

Ayes, 12.

Mr. Charlton	Mr. Howe
Mr. R. Edwards	Mr. Poynton
Mr. Fairbairn	Mr. Wise
Mr. Fenton	
Mr. Fisher	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Fuller	Mr. Higgs
Mr. Hedges	Mr. Sampson

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Mr. Atkinson	Mr. McDougall
Mr. Batchelor	Mr. McWilliams
Mr. Beard	Mr. Page
Mr. Cann	Sir John Quick
Mr. Carr	Mr. Riley
Mr. Catts	Mr. Scullin
Mr. Cook	Mr. Sinclair
Mr. G. B. Edwards	Mr. Bruce Smith
Mr. Finlayson	Mr. Laird Smith
Sir John Forrest	Mr. Spence
Mr. Frank J. Foster	Mr. Thomas
Mr. Fowler	Mr. Thomson
Mr. Frazer	Mr. Tudor
Mr. Glynn	Mr. Webster
Mr. Greene	Mr. West
Mr. Groom	
Mr. Hughes	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. W. Elliot Johnson	Mr. Hall
Mr. W. J. Johnson	Mr. Watkins

And so it was negatived.

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Mr. Cook moved an amendment on the amendment, viz.:—That the words proposed to be inserted in place of the words omitted be amended by omitting the words "with a representative from each State," and also omitting paragraph (2).

Debate ensued.

Mr. Finlayson addressing the House, and not having concluded his speech, the House ordered that he have leave to continue his speech when the debate is resumed.

Ordered—That the debate be now adjourned, and that the resumption of the debate be made an Order of the Day for Thursday, 29th September.

5. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered, That Orders of the Day, General Business, Nos. 2 and 3 be postponed until Thursday, 29th September.

6. ELECTIVE MINISTRIES.—Mr. G. B. Edwards moved, pursuant to notice, That the election of Ministers of State by the whole Parliament after each general election (instead of their election by the Party possessing a majority) and the recognition of the individual and separate responsibility of each Minister (instead of their collective responsibility as a Cabinet) would facilitate and expedite the operations of the Legislature; give a more ready and complete response to the will of the people; create a more experienced and effective Executive; and be more in accord with the democratic provisions of the Commonwealth Constitution.

Debate ensued.

Mr. Fowler addressing the House, and not having concluded his speech, the House ordered that he have leave to continue his speech when the debate is resumed.

Ordered—That the debate be now adjourned, and that the resumption of the debate be made an Order of the Day for Thursday, 13th October next.

7. POSTPONEMENT OF NOTICE OF MOTION.—Ordered, That Notice of Motion No. 2 be postponed until Thursday, 13th October next.

8. WITHDRAWAL OF NOTICE OF MOTION.—Mr. Fowler withdrew his Notice of Motion (No. 3) referring to the subject of Elective Ministries.

9. PRINTING COMMITTEE—THIRD REPORT FROM.—Sir John Quick, Chairman, brought up the Third Report from the Printing Committee (sitting in conference with the Printing Committee of the Senate).

The Report was read by the Clerk, and is as follows:—

## REPORT.

The Printing Committee have the honour to report that they have met in conference with the Printing Committee of the Senate.

The Joint Committee, having considered the undermentioned Petitions and Papers presented to Parliament, make the following recommendations:—

Subject of Paper.	Recommendation of Committee.	Remarks.
Petitions—		
Land Tax Assessment Bill—Praying that the Bill may be rejected—		
From Taxpayers in—		
*South Australia (2 Petitions) .. .. .	To be printed	
†South Australia (2 Petitions) .. .. .	"	
†Telephone Regulation 7A—Praying that the House will see fit to suspend the operation of Telephone Regulation 7A, &c.—		
From Telephone Subscribers at Berwick .. .. .	No recommenda- tion	
From Telephone Subscribers in—		
Victoria (4 Petitions) .. .. .	"	
South Australia .. .. .	"	
Papers—		
Audit Act—Statutory Rules 1910, No. 72 .. .. .	"	Already in print and cir- culated to Members
Census and Statistics Act—		
Bulletins—		
Population and Vital Statistics—No. 21— Quarter ended 31st March, 1910 .. .. .	"	"    "
Trade, Shipping, Oversea Migration, and Finance—		
No. 41—May, 1910 .. .. .	"	"    "
No. 42—June, 1910 .. .. .	"	"    "
Defence Act—Statutory Rules 1910, Nos. 73, 74, 75, 76, 77 .. .. .	"	"    "
Electoral Act—Elections, 1910—Statistical Returns re Voting in each Subdivision, in relation to the Senate Election and the General Election for the House of Representatives .. .. .	To be printed	

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## REPORT—continued.

Subject of Paper.	Recommendation of Committee.	Remarks.
<i>Papers—continued.</i>		
Fisheries—Report of the Director, 6th July to 9th August, 1910 .. .. .	To be printed	
†Invalid and Old-age Pensions—Statement in accordance with Section 54 of the Act .. .. .	”	
Lands Acquisition Act—Land acquired under, at—Richmond, N.S.W. .. .. .	No recommendation	Published in <i>Gazette</i>
Woodstock, N.S.W. .. .. .	”	”
Meteorology Act—Statutory Rules 1910, No. 79	”	Already in print and circulated to Members
*Molasses—Produced in and Imported into the Commonwealth .. .. .	To be printed	
Public Service Act—Sixth Report on the Commonwealth Public Service, by the Commissioner .. .. .	”	
Recommendations, &c., <i>re</i> Promotions in cases of :—V. E. Butler, M. J. Clavin, H. S. Norris, and E. P. Ramsay .. .. .	No recommendation	
Statutory Rules 1910, Nos. 81, 82 .. .. .	”	Already in print and circulated to Members
Quarantine Act—Statutory Rules 1910, No. 78 ..	”	”
†Telephone Exchange, Ulmarra—Particulars <i>re</i> ..	”	”
*Telephones—Exchanges and Subscribers in each State .. .. .	”	”
*Tropical Diseases—Report by Dr. Breinl .. .. .	To be printed	

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JOHN QUICK,  
Chairman.

Sir John Quick moved, by leave, That the Report be adopted.

Question—put and passed.

10. LAND TAX ASSESSMENT BILL.—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—and on the amendment moved *thereto* by Mr. Deakin, *viz.* :—That the following words be inserted in the motion after the word “That” :—“the form of land tax outlined by the Prime Minister, and provided for in this Bill, is unjust in its incidence and an abuse of Federal powers”—

Debate resumed.

Mr. Harper moved, That the debate be now adjourned.

Question—That the debate be now adjourned—put and passed.

Ordered—That the resumption of the debate be made an Order of the Day for to-morrow.

11. MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.—BANKING COMPANIES RESERVE LIABILITIES BILL.—Mr. Speaker announced the receipt of the following Message from the Senate :—

MR. SPEAKER,

Message No. 17.

The Senate has passed a Bill for “*An Act authorizing any Joint Stock Banking Company formed or incorporated in any State to form Reserve Funds for the express purpose of providing or accumulating Funds to protect the Shareholders in such Banking Companies against their liability in respect of the uncalled capital or reserve liabilities on their shares, and to provide for the creation of Corporate Bodies in which such Reserve Funds may be vested*”, and transmits the same to the House of Representatives for its concurrence.

The Senate,  
Melbourne, 15th September, 1910.

H. TURLEY,  
President.

12. BANKING COMPANIES RESERVE LIABILITIES BILL.—Mr. Greene moved, That the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message be now read a first time.  
Question—put and passed.—Bill read a first time.  
Ordered—That the second reading be made an Order of the Day for Thursday, 6th October next.

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13. ADJOURNMENT.—Mr. Fisher moved, That the House do now adjourn.  
Debate ensued.  
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.

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MEMBERS PRESENT.—All Members were present (at some time during the sitting) except—Mr. Archibald, Mr. Brown, Mr. Chapman, Mr. R. W. Foster, Mr. Livingston, Mr. Ozanne, Mr. Roberts, and Mr. Salmon.

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