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## THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH.

No. 46.

## VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

## HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

WEDNESDAY, 21ST SEPTEMBER, 1910.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair, and read Prayers.
2. TRUST FUND ADVANCES BILL (No. 2).—The Order of the Day having been read for the consideration in Committee of the whole House of His Excellency the Governor-General's Message No. 25—Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole.

*(In the Committee.)*

*Resolved*, after debate, on the motion of Mr. Fisher—That it is expedient that an appropriation of revenue and moneys be made for the purposes of a Bill for an Act to authorize a temporary advance from the Trust Fund to the Consolidated Revenue Fund.

Resolution to be reported.

The House resumed; Mr. Poynton reported accordingly.

Ordered—That the consideration of the Report be made an Order of the Day for to-morrow.

3. NAVAL APPROPRIATION BILL.—The Order of the Day having been read for the consideration in Committee of the whole House of His Excellency the Governor-General's Message No. 26—Mr. Speaker left the Chair; and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole.

*(In the Committee.)*

*Resolved*, after debate, on the motion of Mr. Fisher—That it is expedient that an appropriation of revenue and moneys be made for the purposes of a Bill for an Act to grant and apply out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund the sum of Two million five hundred and ninety thousand pounds for Naval Defence.

Resolution to be reported.

The House resumed; Mr. Poynton reported accordingly.

Ordered—That the consideration of the Report be made an Order of the Day for to-morrow.

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4. APPROPRIATION (WORKS AND BUILDINGS) BILL 1910-11—SENATE'S AMENDMENT.—The Order of the Day having been read for the consideration in Committee of the whole House of the Amendment made by the Senate in this Bill—

Mr. Speaker said—

“ Before leaving the Chair I desire to state that, in my opinion, the Amendment made by the Senate in this Bill is out of order. The Amendment is as follows :—

Page 5, Division No. 3, Quarantine, Subdivision No. 6.

Tasmania.—No. 1.—New Quarantine Stations, including acquisition of land at Triffitt's Point—Towards cost ... .. £1,300

The Senate has omitted the words ‘at Triffitt's Point’. This Amendment, I consider, alters the destination of the Vote, and enables the money to be expended at a place not recommended by the Estimates forwarded with the Governor-General's Message.

In principle it is much the same as if the Senate, in page 3, Division 1, Subdivision 3, Item 2, had omitted the words ‘at Canberra’. Honorable Members will see that if such an Amendment had been made money intended for expenditure at Canberra might have been spent at a totally different site.

I consider, therefore, that the Senate's Amendment alters the destination of a Vote, and the Item, as amended, cannot be said to have been recommended by Message from the Governor-General, as required by section 56 of the Constitution.”

Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole.

(In the Committee.)

The Committee proceeded to consider the Amendment, which is as follows :—

SCHEDULE OF THE AMENDMENT MADE BY THE SENATE.

Page 5, Division No. 3, Subdivision No. 6, leave out the words “at Triffitt's Point”.

Mr. Fisher moved, That the Amendment be disagreed with—Because it alters the destination of the Vote.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and passed.

Resolution to be reported.

The House resumed ; Mr. Poynton reported accordingly.  
On the motion of Mr. Fisher, the House adopted the Report.

5. PAPER.—Mr. Frazer presented, pursuant to Statute—

Defence Act—Military Forces—Regulation Amended (Provisional)—No. 504—Statutory Rules 1910, No. 86.

6. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDER OF THE DAY.—Ordered, That Order of the Day No. 4 be postponed until to-morrow.

7. LAND TAX BILL.—The Order of the Day having been read for the second reading—Mr. Fisher moved, That the Bill be now read a second time.

Debate ensued.

Question—put.

The House divided—

Ayes, 31.

Mr. Anstey	Mr. Mathews
Mr. Archibald	Mr. McDougall
Mr. Bamford	Mr. O'Malley
Mr. Batchelor	Mr. Ozanne
Mr. Beard	Mr. Poynton
Mr. Brown	Mr. Riley
Mr. Cann	Mr. Roberts
Mr. Carr	Mr. Scullin
Mr. Chanter	Mr. Laird Smith
Mr. Charlton	Mr. Spence
Mr. Fenton	Mr. Thomas
Mr. Finlayson	Mr. West
Mr. Fisher	
Mr. Hall	
Mr. Higgs	
Mr. Hughes	Mr. Frank J. Foster
Mr. W. Maloney	Mr. Watkins

Tellers.

Noes, 22.

Sir Robert Best	Mr. Hedges
Mr. Cook	Mr. Hans Irvine
Mr. Deakin	Mr. Livingston
Mr. G. B. Edwards	Sir William Lyne
Mr. Fairbairn	Sir John Quick
Sir John Forrest	Mr. Bruce Smith
Mr. Fowler	Mr. Wise
Mr. Fuller	Mr. Wynne
Mr. Glynn	
Mr. Greene	Tellers.
Mr. Groom	Mr. Kelly
Mr. Harper	Mr. Thomson

And so it was resolved in the affirmative—Bill read a second time.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole.

(In the Committee.)

Clause 1 read.

Progress to be reported, and leave asked to sit again.

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The House resumed; Mr. Poynton reported accordingly.

Resolved—That the House will, to-morrow, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

8. SUGAR BOUNTY BILL (1910) (No. 2).—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. Groom 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.

9. MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.—APPROPRIATION (WORKS AND BUILDINGS) BILL 1910-11.—Mr. Speaker announced the receipt of the following Message from the Senate:—

MR. SPEAKER,

Message No. 19.

The Senate returns to the House of Representatives the Bill for "*An Act to grant and apply a sum out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund for the service of the year ending the thirtieth day of June One thousand nine hundred and eleven for the purposes of Additions, New Works, Buildings, &c.*," and acquaints the House that the Senate insists upon its amendment disagreed to by the House of Representatives. The Senate desires the reconsideration of the Bill in respect of such amendment.

The Senate,  
Melbourne, 21st September, 1910.

H. TURLEY,  
President.

Ordered—That the consideration of the foregoing Message in Committee of the whole House be made an Order of the Day for to-morrow.

10. ADJOURNMENT.—Mr. Fisher moved, That the House do now adjourn.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and passed.

And then the House, at twenty 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. Catts, Mr. Chapman, Mr. R. W. Foster, Mr. W. J. Johnson, Mr. Parker Moloney, Mr. Palmer, Mr. Salmon, and Mr. Webster.

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