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THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH.

No. 64.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

FRIDAY, 21ST OCTOBER, 1910.

1. The House met, at half-past ten o'clock a.m., pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair, and read Prayers.

2. CONSTITUTION ALTERATION (LEGISLATIVE POWERS) 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—

Debate resumed.

Mr. Cook moved the following amendment :—After “That” insert “in the opinion of this House the industrial provisions of the Constitution should not be altered except to regulate the conditions of employment in all industries that are Federal in operation or which cannot be effectually regulated by any one State; further enabling the Inter-State Commission to prevent and remove unfair competition between the same industries carried on in different States.”

Debate ensued.

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

The House divided—

Ayes, 25.

Sir Robert Best	Mr. W. H. Irvine
Mr. Cook	Mr. McWilliams
Mr. Deakin	Mr. Palmer
Mr. G. B. Edwards	Sir John Quick
Mr. R. Edwards	Mr. Sampson
Mr. Fairbairn	Mr. Sinclair
Sir John Forrest	Mr. Bruce Smith
Mr. R. W. Foster	Mr. Thomson
Mr. Fowler	Mr. Wynne
Mr. Fuller	
Mr. Greene	
Mr. Groom	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Hedges	Mr. W. Elliot Johnson
Mr. Hans Irvine	Mr. Kelly

Noes, 39.

Mr. Archibald	Mr. W. Maloney
Mr. Bamford	Mr. Mathews
Mr. Batchelor	Mr. McDougall
Mr. Beard	Mr. Parker Moloney
Mr. Brown	Mr. O'Malley
Mr. Cann	Mr. Ozanne
Mr. Carr	Mr. Page
Mr. Catts	Mr. Poynton
Mr. Chanter	Mr. Roberts
Mr. Chapman	Mr. Scullin
Mr. Charlton	Mr. Laird Smith
Mr. Fenton	Mr. Spence
Mr. Finlayson	Mr. Tudor
Mr. Frank J. Foster	Mr. Webster
Mr. Frazer	Mr. West
Mr. Higgs	Mr. Wise
Mr. Howe	
Mr. Hughes	
Mr. Jensen	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. W. J. Johnson	Mr. Hall
Mr. Mahon	Mr. Watkins

And so it was negatived.

Question—That the Bill be now read a second time—put and passed.—Bill read a second time.

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Sir John Forrest moved, pursuant to notice, That, as the inclusion in a single measure of more than one substantive amendment of the Constitution is unjust and undemocratic, as it deprives the Electors of an opportunity of the expression of a free and independent judgment upon the several issues raised gravely affecting the future of Australia, it be an instruction to the Committee to divide the Bill into four Bills, so as to allow each proposed alteration to be dealt with as a separate measure.

Debate ensued.

Question—put.

The House divided—

Ayes, 23.		Noes, 39.	
Sir Robert Best	Mr. McWilliams	Mr. Archibald	Mr. W. Maloney
Mr. Cook	Mr. Palmer	Mr. Bamford	Mr. Mathews
Mr. Deakin	Sir John Quick	Mr. Batchelor	Mr. McDougall
Mr. G. B. Edwards	Mr. Sampson	Mr. Beard	Mr. Parker Moloney
Mr. R. Edwards	Mr. Sinclair	Mr. Brown	Mr. O'Malley
Mr. Fairbairn	Mr. Bruce Smith	Mr. Cann	Mr. Ozanne
Sir John Forrest	Mr. Thomson	Mr. Carr	Mr. Page
Mr. Fowler	Mr. Wynne	Mr. Catts	Mr. Poynton
Mr. Fuller		Mr. Chanter	Mr. Scullin
Mr. Greene		Mr. Chapman	Mr. Laird Smith
Mr. Groom		Mr. Charlton	Mr. Spence
Mr. Hedges	<i>Tellers.</i>	Mr. Fenton	Mr. Tudor
Mr. W. H. Irvine	Mr. W. Elliot Johnson	Mr. Finlayson	Mr. Watkins
	Mr. Kelly	Mr. Frank J. Foster	Mr. Webster
		Mr. Frazer	Mr. West
		Mr. Higgs	Mr. Wise
		Mr. Howe	
		Mr. Hughes	
		Mr. Jensen	<i>Tellers.</i>
		Mr. W. J. Johnson	Mr. Hall
		Mr. Mahon	Mr. Roberts

And so it was negatived.

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.

The House resumed; Mr. Poynton reported accordingly.

Resolved—That the House will, on Tuesday next, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

3. PAPER.—Mr. Hughes presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor-General—

(I.) The Australian Industries Preservation Act, and (II.) the Industrial Power: Memorandum relating to—together with suggestions for the amendment of The Constitution in relation to Trusts and Industrial Matters—by the Honorable P. McM. Glynn (Attorney-General).

Ordered to lie on the Table, and to be printed.

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

Debate ensued.

Question—put and passed.

And then the House, at twenty-seven minutes to five o'clock p.m., adjourned until Tuesday next at three o'clock p.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT.—All Members were present (at some time during the sitting) except—Mr. Austey, Mr. Atkinson, Mr. Fisher, Mr. Glynn, Mr. Harper, Mr. Livingston, Sir William Lyne, Mr. Riley, Mr. Salmon, and Mr. Thomas.

C. GAVAN DUFFY,

Clerk of the House of Representatives.