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THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH

No. 76.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

FRIDAY, 11TH NOVEMBER, 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. PRINTING COMMITTEE—FOURTH REPORT FROM.—Mr. R. Edwards, for the Chairman, brought up the Fourth 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 (27 Petitions)	No recommenda- tion	
†South Australia (2 Petitions)	”	
*Land Tax Bill—From persons engaged in working portions of Boisdale Estate, near Maffra, Victoria, praying for a reduction of taxation on lands worked on share system	”	
Papers—		
Census and Statistics Act—		
Householders' Schedules for Census of 1911, containing questions, &c.	”	Already in print and circulated to Members
Regulations—		
Householders' Schedule—Additional particulars	”	”
Statutory Rules, 1910	”	”
*Contraband Goods—Rewards to Officers of Customs, Sydney, 1st June, 1903, to 1st February, 1904	”	
Defence—		
Memorandum by Chief of General Staff, and of Commonwealth Section of Imperial General Staff (1909–10)	To be printed	
Strike of Markers and Employment of Members of Royal Australian Artillery at Williamstown Rifle Range	”	

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REPORT—continued.

Subject of Paper.	Recommendation of Committee.	Remarks.
<i>Papers—continued.</i>		
Defence Act—		
Proclamation exempting from training mentioned in Part XII. of Act	No recommenda- tion	Published in <i>Gazette</i>
Statutory Rules 1910, Nos. 84, 86, 87, 88, 89, 94	„	Already in print and cir- culated to Members
Excise Act—Statutory Rules 1910, No. 107 ..	„	„ „
Federation—Expenditure caused by, 1910-11 ..	To be printed	
Fisheries—Report by Director, 30th August to 13th September, 1910	„	
Immigration Restriction Act—Regulations—Statu- tory Rules 1910	No recommenda- tion	Already in print and cir- culated to Members
Kalgoorlie to Port Augusta Railway—Water Sup- ply—Further communication from Jas. Thompson, Engineer-in-Chief, Perth	„	
Lands Acquisition Act—Land acquired under, at—		
Burren Junction, N.S.W.	„	Published in <i>Gazette</i>
Fremantle, W.A.	„	„ „
Ganmain, N.S.W.	„	„ „
Geurie, N.S.W.	„	„ „
Goulburn, N.S.W.	„	„ „
Gulgambone, N.S.W.	„	„ „
Koorawatha, N.S.W.	„	„ „
Manildra, N.S.W.	„	„ „
Pennant Hills, N.S.W.	„	„ „
Portland, N.S.W.	„	„ „
Wallerawang, N.S.W.	„	„ „
Wauchope, N.S.W.	„	„ „
Papua—		
†Native Labour Supply—Letter from Hon. Stani- forth Smith	To be printed	
*Natives employed in Agriculture, Mining, &c. ..	„	
Ordinances of 1910, Nos. 11, 12, 14	„	
*Report on Progress of Territory, by Hon. Stani- forth Smith, dated 14th September, 1910 ..	No recommenda- tion	
Patents Act—Statutory Rules 1910, No. 85 ..	„	Already in print and cir- culated to Members
Post and Telegraph Act—Statutory Rules 1910, Nos. 80, 83, 91, 92	„	„ „
Postmaster-General's Department—		
*Officers in General Division, Queensland, not receiving increases of salary	„	
†Parliamentary Post Office at Sydney—Business and Revenue, 1909	„	
†Postal Services—Royal Commission—Minutes of Evidence	To be printed	
†Post Offices, Illawarra—Officers employed, hours worked, &c.	No recommenda- tion	
*Telegrams to and from Tasmania—Number and value of, for three years ending 31st December, 1907, 1908, and 1909	To be printed	
†Public Service—Female Medical Officers—Papers re appointment of	No recommenda- tion	
Public Service Act—Statutory Rules 1910, No. 90	„	Already in print and cir- culated to Members
Quarantine Act—Statutory Rules 1910, No. 93 ..	„	„ „

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Committee Room,
10th November, 1910.

R. EDWARDS,
For Chairman.

Mr. R. Edwards moved, by leave, That the Report be adopted.
Question—put and passed.

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3. PAPERS.—Mr. Frazer presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor-General—
 Defence—Torpedo Boat Destroyers—Papers *re* Berthing Accommodation.
 Ordered to lie on the Table.
 Mr. O'Malley presented, pursuant to Statute—
 Lands Acquisition Act—Land acquired under, at—
 Guyra, New South Wales—For postal purposes.
 Warburton, Victoria—For postal purposes.
 Mr. Frazer presented, pursuant to Statute—
 Defence Act—Regulations Amended (Provisional)—
 Military Cadet Corps—No. 11A—Statutory Rules 1910, No. 101.
 Military Forces—
 No. 199 (a)—Statutory Rules 1910, No. 100.
 No. 555 (2)—Statutory Rules 1910, No. 99.
4. JUDICIARY BILL (1910).—Mr. Hughes moved, pursuant to notice, That he have leave to bring in a Bill for an Act to amend the *Judiciary Act* 1903–1907.
 Question—put and passed.
 Mr. Hughes then brought up the Bill accordingly, 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 Tuesday next.
5. REFERENDUM (CONSTITUTION ALTERATION) BILL (1910).—Mr. O'Malley moved, pursuant to notice, That he have leave to bring in a Bill for an Act to amend the *Referendum (Constitution Alteration) Act* 1906–1909.
 Question—put and passed.
 Mr. O'Malley then brought up the Bill accordingly, 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 Tuesday next.
6. AUSTRALIAN INDUSTRIES PRESERVATION BILL (1910).—The Order of the Day having been read for the second reading—Mr. Hughes moved, That the Bill be now read a second time.
 Debate ensued.
 Question—put and passed.—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 agreed to.

Clause 2 read.

On the motion of Mr. Hughes, the following amendment was made, after debate:—

After line 21, at the end of clause add new paragraph:—

“(e) by adding at the end of the section the following sub-section:—

“(3.) It shall be a defence to a proceeding for an offence under paragraph (a) of sub-section (1.) of this section, and an answer to an allegation that a contract was made or entered into in restraint of, or with intent to restrain, trade or commerce, if the party alleged to have contravened this section proves—

(a) that the matter or thing alleged to have been done in restraint of, or with intent to restrain, trade or commerce, was not to the detriment of the public, and

(b) that the restraint of trade or commerce effected or intended was not unreasonable.’”

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

Clause 3 agreed to.

Clause 4 debated and agreed to.

Clauses 5, 6, and 7 agreed to.

Title agreed to.

Bill to be reported with an amendment.

The House resumed; Mr. Poynton reported accordingly.

Mr. Hughes moved, pursuant to contingent notice, That the Standing Orders be suspended to enable the remaining stages to be passed without delay.

Question—put and passed.

On the motion of Mr. Hughes, the House adopted the Report, and the Bill was read a third time.

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7. MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.—POSTAL RATES BILL.—Mr. Speaker announced the receipt of the following Message from the Senate:—

MR. SPEAKER,

Message No. 36.

The Senate returns to the House of Representatives the Bill for "*An Act relating to Postal Rates*", to which it has agreed with the amendments indicated in the annexed Schedule, in which amendments the Senate requests the concurrence of the House of Representatives.

The Senate,
Melbourne, 10th November, 1910.

H. TURLEY,
President.

Ordered—That the foregoing Message be taken into consideration forthwith.

SCHEDULE OF THE AMENDMENTS MADE BY THE SENATE.

- No. 1.—Page 2, clause 6, paragraph (b), first column, line "PRINTED PAPERS"—after "PRINTED PAPERS" insert "AS PRESCRIBED".
- No. 2.—Page 2, clause 6, paragraph (b), first column, line "BOOKS PUBLISHED AND PRINTED OUTSIDE AUSTRALIA"—leave out "PUBLISHED AND".
- No. 3.—Page 2, clause 6, paragraph (b), second column—Rates of Postage on item "BOOKS PUBLISHED AND PRINTED OUTSIDE AUSTRALIA"—leave out figure "2" (twice occurring) and insert figure "4" in each case.
- No. 4.—Page 2, clause 6, paragraph (b), first column, line "BOOKS PUBLISHED AND PRINTED IN AUSTRALIA"—leave out "PUBLISHED AND".
- No. 5.—Page 2, clause 6, paragraph (b), first column, line "COMMERCIAL PAPERS, PATTERNS, SAMPLES, AND MERCHANDISE"—after "MERCHANDISE" insert "AS PRESCRIBED".

On the motion of Mr. Hughes, the House agreed to the amendments, after debate.

8. MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.—SEAT OF GOVERNMENT (ADMINISTRATION) BILL.—Mr. Speaker announced the receipt of the following Message from the Senate:—

MR. SPEAKER,

Message No. 37.

The Senate returns to the House of Representatives the Bill for "*An Act to provide for the Provisional Government of the Territory for the Seat of Government of the Commonwealth*," to which it has agreed with the amendments indicated in the annexed Schedule, in which amendments the Senate requests the concurrence of the House of Representatives.

The Senate,
Melbourne, 11th November, 1910.

H. TURLEY,
President.

Ordered—That the foregoing Message be taken into consideration forthwith.

SCHEDULE OF THE AMENDMENTS MADE BY THE SENATE.

- No. 1.—Page 2, after clause 9 insert the following new clause and heading:—

Acquisition of Land.

"9A. Section ten of the *Seat of Government Acceptance Act 1909* is amended by omitting the proviso thereto, and inserting in its stead the following proviso:—

'Provided that, in determining the compensation to which the owner is entitled under that Act, the value of the land shall be taken not to exceed the unimproved value of the land, or the interest therein of the owner, on the eighth day of October, One thousand nine hundred and eight, together with the value of his interest in the improvements on the land at the date of the acquisition of the land.'

- No. 2.—Page 3, clause 11, line 8, leave out "therefore", insert "thereupon".

On the motion of Mr. O'Malley, the House agreed to the amendments.

9. POST AND TELEGRAPH BILL (1910).—The Order of the Day having been read for the second reading—Mr. Tudor moved, That the Bill be now read a second time.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and passed.—Bill read a second time.

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

(In the Committee.)

Clauses 1 to 4 agreed to.
Title agreed to.
Bill to be reported without amendment.

The House resumed; Mr. Poynton reported accordingly.

Mr. Hughes moved, pursuant to contingent notice, That the Standing Orders be suspended to enable the remaining stages to be passed without delay.

Question—put and passed.

On the motion of Mr. Tudor, the House adopted the Report, and the Bill was read a third time.

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10. ADJOURNMENT.—Mr. Hughes moved, That the House do now adjourn.
Question—put and passed.

And then the House, at twenty-three minutes past three 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. Archibald, Mr. Atkinson, Mr. Beard, Mr. Brown, Mr. Carr, Mr. Chanter, Mr. Chapman, Mr. Fisher, Mr. Greene, Mr. Hans Irvine, Mr. W. J. Johnson, Mr. Livingston, Mr. Page, Mr. Roberts, Mr. Salmon, Mr. Bruce Smith, and Mr. Thomas.

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