

1911.

THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH.

No. 50.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

WEDNESDAY, 29TH NOVEMBER, 1911.

1. The House met, at half-past ten o'clock a.m., pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair, and read Prayers.
2. ARBITRATION (PUBLIC SERVICE) BILL.—Mr. Hughes, pursuant to an Order made on the 28th instant, brought up a Bill intituled "*A Bill for an Act relating to the Commonwealth Court of Conciliation and Arbitration and the Public Service of the Commonwealth,*" 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 to-morrow.
3. COMMONWEALTH BANK BILL.—The Order of the Day having been read for the further consideration of this Bill in Committee of the whole House—Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole.

(In the Committee.)

Clause 11 further debated.

Question—That the clause stand as printed—put.

The Committee divided—

Ayes, 33.

Mr. Anstey	Mr. Parker Moloney
Mr. Archibald	Mr. O'Malley
Mr. Brennan	Mr. Ozanne
Mr. Brown	Mr. Riley
Mr. Cann	Mr. Roberts
Mr. Carr	Mr. Scullin
Mr. Catts	Mr. Laird Smith
Mr. Chanter	Mr. Spence
Mr. Charlton	Mr. Thomas
Mr. Fenton	Mr. Tudor
Mr. Fisher	Mr. Webster
Mr. Frank J. Foster	Mr. West
Mr. Frazer	Mr. Wise
Mr. Hall	
Mr. Higgs	
Mr. Howe	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. W. J. Johnson	Mr. Page
Mr. W. Maloney	Mr. Watkins

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Mr. Atkinson	Mr. Ryrle
Mr. Cook	Mr. Sampson
Mr. Deakin	Mr. Sinclair
Mr. Fuller	Mr. Bruce Smith
Mr. Gordon	Mr. Thomson
Mr. Harper	Mr. Wynne
Mr. Hedges	
Mr. Kelly	
Mr. McWilliams	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Palmer	Mr. Greene
Sir John Quick	Mr. W. Elliot Johnson

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Clause 12 debated and agreed to.

Clause 13 debated and agreed to.

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Clauses 14 and 15 agreed to.
 Clause 16 debated and agreed to.
 Clause 17 debated and agreed to.
 Clause 18 debated and agreed to.
 Clause 19 debated and agreed to.
 Clause 20 agreed to.
 Clause 21 debated.

Mr. Sinclair moved an amendment, That all the words after the word "in" be omitted, with a view to the insertion of the words "the same city as the Seat of Government" in place thereof.

Debate continued.

Question—That the words proposed to be omitted stand part of the clause—put and passed.

Clause agreed to.

Clauses 22 to 26, inclusive, agreed to.

Clause 27 debated and agreed to.

Clauses 28 and 29 agreed to.

Clause 30 debated and agreed to.

Clause 31 agreed to.

Clause 32 debated.

Mr. Wynne moved an amendment, That the following new paragraph be inserted in the clause after paragraph (b):—

"(bb) to provide a superannuation fund".

Debate continued.

Amendment agreed to.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

Clause 33 debated and agreed to.

Clause 34 debated.

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

The House resumed ; Mr. Poynton reported accordingly.

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

4. MESSAGE FROM THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL.—ARBITRATION (PUBLIC SERVICE) BILL.—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor-General was presented, and the same was read by Mr. Speaker :—

DENMAN,

Governor-General.

Message No. 13.

In accordance with the requirements of section fifty-six of the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Australia, the Governor-General recommends to the House of Representatives that an appropriation of revenue be made for the purposes of a Bill for an Act relating to the Commonwealth Court of Conciliation and Arbitration and the Public Service of the Commonwealth.

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Melbourne, 29th November, 1911.

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

5. PAPERS.—Mr. Fisher presented, pursuant to Statute—

Public Service Act—Papers relating to the promotion of R. W. Chenoweth, as clerk, 4th Class, Department of the Treasury, Land Tax Branch, Victoria.

Mr. Roberts presented, pursuant to Statute—

Defence Act—Military Forces—Regulation Amended (Provisional)—Financial and Allowance, No. 6, Statutory Rules 1911, No. 196.

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

Debate ensued.

Question—put and passed.

And then the House, at twelve minutes past ten o'clock p.m., adjourned until to-morrow at half-past ten o'clock a.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT.—All Members were present (at some time during the sitting) except—Mr. Finlayson, Mr. Glynn, Mr. Jensen, Sir William Lyne, Mr. McDougall, and Mr. Salmon.

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