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THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH.

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VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

FRIDAY, 16TH JULY, 1915.

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

Clause 3 agreed to.

Clause 4 debated and agreed to.

Clause 5 agreed to.

Clause 6 debated and agreed to.

Clause 7 debated and agreed to.

Clause 8 agreed to.

Clause 9—

On the motion of Mr. Hughes the following amendment was made, after debate:—Page 2, line 37, omit "of secrecy".

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

Clauses 10 to 13 agreed to.

Clause 14 debated and agreed to.

Clause 15 debated and agreed to.

First Schedule—

On the motion of Mr. Hughes, the following amendments were made, after debate—

Question 7 omitted.

Question 9a—After "week" insert "immediately"; after "June," insert "1915,".

After Question 11 insert the following:—

"11A. State number and description of fire-arms and quantity of ammunition you possess."

Schedule, as amended, debated and agreed to.

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Second Schedule—

On the motion of Mr. Hughes, the following amendments were made, after debate—

Question 5, omit "and", insert "or".

Question 6, after "held by you", insert "in Australia".

Question 6, omit "30th June, 1915" (wherever occurring), insert "31st December, 1914".

Question 6, omit "Money Borrowed", insert "Debts and Liabilities".

Question 6, after item (iii.) insert the following items :—

" (iiiA.) Partnership Interests

" (iiiB.) Interests as beneficiary in Trust Estates".

Question 6, after "net value of all property", insert "in Australia".

Question 7, after item (iv.) of the deductions, insert the following item :—

" (ivA.) Contributions to Pension or Superannuation Fund".

After Question 7, insert the following question :—

" 8. If acting as Trustee, give on another sheet names and addresses of beneficiaries and co-trustees."

Schedule, as amended, agreed to.

New clauses—

On the motion of Mr. Hughes the following new clauses were added to the Bill :—

Page 2, after Clause 6, insert following clause :—

" 6A. Every person, who is the trustee of more than one estate, shall fill up and transmit to the Statistician a separate form containing the information set forth in the Second Schedule to this Act in respect of each estate of which he is trustee."

Separate forms
for each trust
estate.

Page 2, after Clause 8, insert the following clauses :—

" 8A. Every person or authority who exercises any powers under the *Census and Statistics Act* 1905 may exercise the like powers for the purposes of this Act."Powers under
Census and
Statistics Act.

" 8B. (1) Any officer authorized in writing by the Minister may, at any time, enter upon and search any premises.

Power to search
premises.

(2) The power of an officer to search shall extend to every part of the premises and shall authorize the opening of any safe, vault, or place.

(3) No person shall obstruct, molest, resist, or hinder any officer in the performance of his duty under this Section.

Penalty : Fifty pounds."

Title agreed to.

Bill to be reported with amendments.

The House resumed ; Mr. Chanter 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.

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

Question—put and passed.

And then the House, at a quarter to six o'clock p.m., adjourned until Wednesday next at three o'clock p.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT.—All Members were present (at some time during the sitting) except—Lieut.-Colonel Abbott*, Mr. R. W. Foster, Mr. Livingston, Mr. Orchard, Mr. Patten, Colonel Ryrie*, and Mr. Watkins.

* On leave.

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