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### THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA.

No. 54.

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# HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

### FRIDAY, 6TH AUGUST, 1920.

1. The House met, at eleven o'clock a.m., pursuant to adjournment.

- 2. ABSENCE OF MR. SPEAKER.—The Clerk, at the Table, having informed the House that Mr. Speaker was unavoidably absent, the Chairman of Committees took the Chair as Deputy-Speaker, and read Prayers.
- 3. PAPER.—The following Paper was presented, pursuant to Statute—
  - Audit Act—Transfers of Amounts approved by the Governor-General in Council—financial year 1919-20—Dated 27th July, 1920.
- 4. POSTPONEMENT OF BUSINESS.—Ordered, after debate, That the intervening Business be postponed until after the consideration of Notice of Motion No. 1, Government Business.
- 5. CONCILIATION AND ARBITRATION BILL (1920).—Mr. Hughes, for Mr. Groom, moved, pursuant to notice, That he have leave to bring in a Bill for an Act to amend the Commonwealth Conciliation and Arbitration Act 1904-1918.
  - Question—put and passed.
- 6. OBJECTION TO MR. DEPUTY-SPEAKER'S RULING.—The Order of the Day having been read for the consideration of the motion by Mr. Mathews at the previous sitting—That Mr. Deputy-Speaker's ruling—That the Industrial Peace Bill is properly before the House for discussion—be dissented from—
  - Debate ensued.

Question—put and negatived.

7. CONCILIATION AND ARBITRATION BILL (1920.)—Sir Joseph Cook, for Mr. Hughes, pursuant to leave given this day, brought up a Bill initialed "A Bill for an Act to amend the 'Commonwealth Conciliation and Arbitration Act 1904–1918'," 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 the next day of sitting.

8. INDUSTRIAL PEACE 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.

Limitation of Debate.—At 3.30 p.m. Mr. Deputy-Speaker having called the attention of the House to the fact that the time allotted for the second reading stage of the Bill had expired—

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

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6th August, 1920. The House divided-Ayes, 33. Noes, 19. Mr. Atkinson Mr. Jowett Mr. Blakeley Mr. McDonald Mr. Bell Mr. Lamond Mr. Brennan Mr. McGrath Sir Robert Best Mr. Lister Mr. Parker Moloney Mr. Charlton Mr. Marks Mr. Blundell Mr. Cunningham Mr. Nicholls Mr. Gabb Mr. Bruce Mr. Marr Mr. Tudor Mr. Donald Cameron Mr. Maxwell Mr. Gregory Mr. West Mr. Poynton Mr. Austin Chapman Mr. Lavelle Sir Joseph Cook Mr. Prowse Mr. Lazzarini Tellers: Mr. Robert Cook Mr. Fleming Mr. Rodgers Mr. Mahony Sir Granville Ryrie Mr. W. Maloney Mr. Riley Mr. R. W. Foster Mr. Laird Smith. Mr. Mathews Mr. Watkins Mr. Wienholt Mr. Fowler Mr. Gibson Mr. Wise Mr. Greene Mr. Higgs Tellers: Mr. Hill Mr. Hughes Mr. Burchell Mr. Jackson Mr. Story And so it was resolved in the affirmative .- Bill read a second time. Mr. Deputy-Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole.

### (In the Committee.)

Clauses 1, 2, and 3 agreed to. Clause 4—

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

The House resumed; Mr. Fleming reported accordingly.

Resolved-That the House will, on Wednesday next, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

- 9. INDUSTRIAL PEACE BILL—LIMITATION OF DEBATE—EXTENSION OF TIME.—Mr. Hughes moved, That the time allotted in connexion with the Limitation of Debate as regards the Industrial Peace Bill be extended as follows:—
  - For the Committee stage of the Bill, to end of Part III. until 10 p.m. on Thursday, the 12th August.
  - For the remainder of the Committee stage of the Bill, until 3 p.m. on Friday, the 13th August.

For the remaining stages of the Bill, until 3.30 p.m. on Friday, the 13th August.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and passed.

10. MESSAGE FROM THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL. — ASSENT TO BILL. — The following Message from His Excellency the Governor-General was received, and the same was read by Mr. Deputy-Speaker : — [Supply Bill (No. 2) 1920-21]—

R. M. FERGUSON,

Governor-General.

Message No. 23.

A Bill intituled "Supply Act (No. 2) 1920-21," as finally passed by the Senate and the House of Representatives of the Commonwealth, having been presented to the Governor-General for the Royal Assent, His Excellency has, in the name and on behalf of His Majesty, assented to the said Act.

Federal Government House,

6th August, 1920.

11. MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.—AUSTRALIAN TRADE COMMISSIONERS—APPOINTMENT OF.—Mr.. Deputy-Speaker announced the receipt of the following Message from the Senate :—

MR. SPEAKER,

Message No. 37.

The Senate transmits to the House of Representatives the following Resolution which has been agreed to by the Senate, and requests the concurrence of the House of Representatives therein, viz..-

"That this Senate is of opinion that Australian Trade Commissioners should be appointed in various centres of the world where their presence is likely to be of benefit to Australian export trade."

The Senate,

Melbourne, 5th August, 1920.

THOS. GIVENS, President.

Ordered-That the consideration of the foregoing Message, in Committee of the whole House, bemade an Order of the Day for Wednesday next.

- 12. PAPER.—The following Paper was presented, pursuant to Statute— Public Service Act-Promotion of R. A. Fetherston, Department of Works and Railways.
- 13. ADJOURNMENT.-Mr. Hughes moved, That the House do now adjourn. Debate ensued. Question-put and passed.

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- And then the House, at ten minutes past four 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—Mr. Anstey\*, Mr. Bamford, Mr. Bayley, Mr. J. H. Catts, Mr. Considine, Mr. Corser, Mr. Fenton, Mr. Groom, Mr. Hay, Sir Elliot Johnson, Mr. Livingston, Mr. Mackay, Mr. Mahon, Mr. Makin, Mr. McWilliams, Mr. Earle Page, Mr. James Page\*, Mr. Ryan, Mr. Stewart, and Mr. Watt\*.

• On leave.

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WALTER A. GALE. Clerk of the House of Representatives.