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## VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

## HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

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 WEDNESDAY, 11<sup>TH</sup> AUGUST, 1920.

1. The House met, at three o'clock p.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. DEATH OF SIR SAMUEL GRIFFITH, LATE CHIEF JUSTICE OF THE HIGH COURT.—Mr. Hughes referred with profound regret to the death of the Right Honorable Sir Samuel Griffith, P.C., G.C.M.G., who was for many years Chief Justice of the High Court.  
Mr. W. Maloney and Mr. Gregory also expressed their great regret at the death of the Right Honorable gentleman.
4. ADJOURNMENT-MOTION FOR PURPOSE OF DISCUSSION.—Sir Robert Best rose in his place, and said that he proposed to move the adjournment of the House for the purpose of discussing a definite matter of urgent public importance, namely, "The shortage of coal".  
Mr. Deputy-Speaker thereupon called upon those Members who approved of the proposed discussion to rise in their places, and more than the necessary number of Members having risen accordingly—Sir Robert Best moved, That the House do now adjourn.  
Debate ensued.  
Question—put and negatived.
5. PAPERS.—The following Papers were presented, pursuant to Statute—
  - Customs Act—
    - Proclamation (dated 28th July, 1920) revoking Proclamation (dated 28th June, 1916) prohibiting the Exportation (except under certain conditions) of Arms, and certain other goods.
    - Proclamation (dated 28th July, 1920) revoking Proclamations (dated 28th October, 1914, and 18th February, 1915) prohibiting the Exportation (except under certain conditions) of Hides and Leather.
  - Northern Territory—Ordinance of 1920—No. 6—Necessary Commodities.
  - Public Service Act—Department of the Treasury—Promotions of—
    - J. Adams.
    - D. M. Ray, A. D. B. Rowley, C. H. Brown, G. M. Garcia, R. W. Chenoweth.
    - D. M. Ray, R. W. Chenoweth, J. Adams, L. S. Jackson, T. J. Russell, M. D. Mears, W. Kelly, J. F. Hughes, J. E. Martin, A. B. D. Brown, E. A. Peverill, C. L. Quinlivan, C. E. Critchley, J. Y. McGrath, G. A. W. Cox, R. M. Hearn.

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6. INDUSTRIAL PEACE BILL.—The Order of the Day having been read for the further consideration of this Bill in Committee of the whole House—Mr. Deputy-Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole.

(In the Committee.)

Clause 4—

Debate ensued.

Mr. Blundell moved, as an amendment, That the following definition be inserted after line 9 :—

“Employees” means an organization registered pursuant to the *Commonwealth Conciliation and Arbitration Act 1904-1918*.

Debate ensued.

Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Mr. Charlton moved, as an amendment, That the following words be inserted after the word “privileges,” (line 21) :—“profits, prices, cost of production relating to an industrial dispute or to any industry.”

Debate ensued.

Amendment agreed to.

Mr. Charlton moved, as a further amendment, That the following definition be inserted after line 34 :—

“Organization of employees” means the *bonâ fide* Trades Union organization representing the industry as recognised by the Trades or Industrial Council in that district or State.

Debate ensued.

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

The House resumed ; Mr. Fleming reported accordingly.

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

7. ADJOURNMENT.—Sir Joseph Cook moved, That the House do now adjourn.

Question—put and passed.

And then the House, at twenty-three minutes past six o'clock p.m., adjourned until to-morrow at half-past two o'clock p.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT.—All Members were present (at some time during the sitting) except—Mr. Anstey\*, Mr. Bamford, Mr. Bowden, Mr. J. H. Catts, Mr. Austin Chapman, Mr. Gabb, Mr. Groom, Sir Elliot Johnson, Mr. Jowett, Mr. Lamond, Mr. Lavelle, Mr. Lazzarini, Mr. Mahon, Mr. McGrath, Mr. McWilliams, Mr. Nicholls, Mr. James Page\*, Mr. Ryan, Mr. Tudor, Mr. Watt\*, and Mr. Wienholt.

\* On leave.

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