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## THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA.

No. 102.

## VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

## HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

FRIDAY, 5TH NOVEMBER, 1920.

1. The House met, at eleven o'clock a.m., pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair, and read Prayers.

2. ADJOURNMENT—MOTION FOR PURPOSE OF DISCUSSION.—Mr. Mahon 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 effect on Australian relations with Great Britain of the action of that country's Government in connexion with the death of the late Lord Mayor of Cork."

Mr. 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—

Mr. Mahon moved, That the House do now adjourn.

Debate ensued.

Mr. Marr moved, That the question be now put.

Question—That the question be now put—put.

The House divided—

Ayes, 30.

Noes, 17.

Mr. Bamford	Mr. Jackson	Mr. Brennan	Mr. Parker Moloney
Mr. Bell	Mr. Jowett	Mr. Considine	Mr. James Page
Sir Robert Best	Mr. Lister	Mr. Corser	Mr. Ryan
Mr. Blundell	Mr. Mackay	Mr. Fowler	Mr. Stewart
Mr. Bruce	Mr. Marks	Mr. Lamond	Mr. Tudor
Mr. Donald Cameron	Mr. Marr	Mr. Lavelle	
Mr. Chanter	Mr. Poynton	Mr. Lazzarini	<i>Tellers:</i>
Sir Joseph Cook	Mr. Prowse	Mr. Mahon	Mr. Anstey
Mr. Robert Cook	Mr. Rodgers	Mr. McDonald	Mr. Cunningham
Mr. Fleming	Sir Granville Ryrie	Mr. McGrath	
Mr. Greene	Mr. Laird Smith		
Mr. Gregory	Mr. Wise		
Mr. Groom			
Mr. Higgs	<i>Tellers:</i>		
Mr. Hill	Mr. Burchell		
Mr. Hughes	Mr. Story		

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Question—That the House do now adjourn—accordingly put, and negatived.

3. MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.—AIR NAVIGATION BILL.—Mr. Speaker announced the receipt of the following Message from the Senate:—

MR. SPEAKER,

*Message No. 65.*

The Senate has passed a Bill for "An Act relating to Air Navigation," and transmits the same to the House of Representatives for its concurrence.

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Melbourne, 5th November, 1920.

THOS. GIVENS,  
President.

Sir Granville Ryrie moved, That the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message 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 sitting.

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4. **ELECTORAL (WAR-TIME) REPEAL BILL.**—Mr. Poynton, pursuant to leave given yesterday, brought up a Bill intituled “*A Bill for an Act to repeal the ‘ Commonwealth Electoral (War-time) Act 1917-1919 ’*”, 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 sitting.
5. **SUPPLY.**—[ESTIMATES 1920-21].—The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.

(In the Committee.)

Vote—The Home and Territories Department, £931,125—  
Debate ensued.  
Vote agreed to.  
Progress to be reported, and leave asked to sit again.

The House resumed ; Mr. Chanter reported accordingly.  
Resolved—That the House will, at its next sitting, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

6. **MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.—CUSTOMS BILL (1920).**—Mr. Speaker announced the receipt of the following Message from the Senate :—

MR. SPEAKER,

Message No. 66.

The Senate returns to the House of Representatives the Bill for “*An Act to amend the ‘ Customs Act 1901-1916 ’*”, to which it has agreed without amendment.

THOS. GIVENS,  
President.

The Senate,  
Melbourne, 5th November, 1920.

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

MR. SPEAKER,

Message No. 67.

The Senate returns to the House of Representatives the Bill for “*An Act relating to Nationality and Aliens,*” and acquaints the House that the Senate has agreed to Amendments Nos. 1, 2, and 4 to 8 made by the House of Representatives therein ; and has agreed to Amendment No. 3, with the amendments indicated by the annexed Schedule.

The Senate desires the concurrence of the House of Representatives in the amendments to Amendment No. 3.

THOS. GIVENS,  
President.

The Senate,  
Melbourne, 5th November, 1920.

Ordered, by leave—That the foregoing Message be taken into consideration forthwith 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.)

The Committee proceeded to consider the Amendments, which are as follow :—

SCHEDULE OF THE AMENDMENT OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES TO WHICH THE SENATE HAS AGREED WITH AMENDMENTS.

*Amendment of the House of Representatives No. 3, viz. :—*

No. 3.—Page 10, clause 26, at end of clause add :—

“ Provided that the person affected by such declaration will be entitled to publicly examine and cross-examine the declarant before such declaration is acted upon by the Minister.”

*Amendment agreed to by the Senate with the following amendments, viz. :—*

(a) Leave out “the person”, insert “if any person, other than the person making the declaration, is”.

(b) Leave out “will”, insert “he shall”.

On the motion of Mr. Poynton, amendments, made by the Senate, agreed to.  
Resolution to be reported.

The House resumed ; Mr. Chanter reported accordingly.  
On the motion of Mr. Poynton, the House adopted the Report.

8. ADJOURNMENT.—Sir Joseph Cook moved, That the House do now adjourn.  
Debate ensued.  
Question—put and passed.

And then the House, at twelve minutes to four o'clock p.m., adjourned until Tuesday next at three o'clock p.m.

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MEMBERS PRESENT.—All Members were present (at some time during the sitting) except—Mr. Bayley, Mr. Blakeley, Mr. Bowden\*, Mr. J. H. Catts, Mr. Austin Chapman, Mr. Fenton, Mr. R. W. Foster, Mr. Gabb, Mr. Gibson, Mr. Hay, Mr. Livingston, Mr. Mahony, Mr. Nicholls, Mr. Earle Page, Mr. Riley, Mr. Watkins, Mr. Watt, and Mr. West.

\* On leave.

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