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 THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA.

No. 110.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

 MONDAY, 22ND NOVEMBER, 1920.

1. The House met, at three o'clock p.m., pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair, and read Prayers.
2. INVALID AND OLD-AGE PENSIONS BILL (1920).—Sir Joseph Cook, pursuant to leave given on the 18th instant, brought up a Bill intituled "*A Bill for an Act to amend section twenty-four of the 'Invalid and Old-age Pensions Act 1908-1919' by increasing the limit of pension and income together in the case of blind pensioners,*" and moved, That it be now read a first time.
Question—put and passed.—Bill read a first time.
Ordered, by leave—That the second reading be made an Order of the Day for a later hour this day.
3. PAPERS.—The following Papers were presented, pursuant to Statute—
Census and Statistics Act—Regulations Amended—Statutory Rules 1920, No. 221.
Norfolk Island—Ordinance of 1920—No. 3—Census.
War Service Homes Act—Land acquired under, at—
North Wagga Wagga, New South Wales.
Willoughby, New South Wales.
Yass, New South Wales.
4. INVALID AND OLD-AGE PENSIONS BILL (1920).—The Order of the Day having been read for the second reading—Sir Joseph Cook moved, That the Bill be now read a second time.
Debate ensued.
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.*)

 Bill agreed to, after debate, and to be reported without amendment.

The House resumed; Mr. Atkinson reported accordingly.
On the motion of Sir Joseph Cook, the House adopted the Report.
Sir Joseph Cook moved, pursuant to contingent notice, That the Standing Orders be suspended, to enable the remaining stage to be passed without delay.
Question—put and passed.
On the motion of Sir Joseph Cook, the Bill was read a third time.
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5. IMMIGRATION BILL (1920).—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.)

Clauses 1 and 2 agreed to.
 Clause 3 debated—
 Mr. Maxwell moved, as an amendment, That the words “is opposed to” (lines 1 and 2 of page 2) be omitted and that the words “advocates the abolition of” be inserted in place thereof.
 Amendment agreed to.
 Mr. Wienholt moved, as a further amendment, That the words “except by permission of the Minister” be inserted at the beginning of paragraph (ge), (line 9 of page 2).
 Debate ensued.
 Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.
 Mr. Ryan moved, as a further amendment, That the word “five” (line 9 of page 2) be omitted.
 Debate ensued.
 Progress to be reported, and leave asked to sit again.

The House resumed; Mr. Chanter reported accordingly.
 Resolved—That the House will, at a later hour this day, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

6. WAR PRECAUTIONS ACT REPEAL BILL.—Mr. Hughes, pursuant to leave given on the 18th instant, brought up a Bill intituled “*A Bill for an Act to repeal the ‘War Precautions Act 1914–1918’ and to provide for certain matters arising out of such repeal, and for other purposes,*” and moved, That it be now read a first time.
 Question—put and passed.—Bill read a first time.
 Mr. Hughes, by leave, moved, That the Bill be now read a second time.
 Mr. Ryan moved, That the debate be now adjourned.
 Question—That the debate be now adjourned—put and passed.
 Ordered—That the resumption of the debate be made an Order of the Day for to-morrow.
7. PAPERS.—The following Papers were presented, pursuant to Statute—
 Railways Act—
 By-law No. 17.
 By-law No. 18.
8. IMMIGRATION BILL (1920).—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 again resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole.

(In the Committee.)

Clause 3—
 Debate continued upon the further amendment moved by Mr. Ryan, viz.:—That the word “five” (line 9 of page 2) be omitted.
 Question—That the word proposed to be omitted stand part of the clause—put.
 The Committee divided—

Ayes, 32.

Mr. Atkinson	Mr. Jackson
Mr. Bamford	Mr. Jowett
Mr. Bayley	Mr. Lister
Mr. Bell	Mr. Mackay
Sir Robert Best	Mr. Marks
Mr. Blundell	Mr. Marr
Mr. Donald Cameron	Mr. Maxwell
Sir Joseph Cook	Mr. McWilliams
Mr. Robert Cook	Mr. Poynton
Mr. Corser	Mr. Prowse
Mr. R. W. Foster	Mr. Rodgers
Mr. Greene	Sir Granville Ryrie
Mr. Gregory	Mr. Laird Smith
Mr. Groom	
Mr. Hay	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. Higgs	Mr. Burchell
Mr. Hughes	Mr. Story

Noes, 13.

Mr. Brennan	Mr. Tudor
Mr. Considine	Mr. West
Mr. Cunningham	Mr. Wienholt
Mr. Fenton	
Mr. W. Maloney	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. Mathews	
Mr. James Page	Mr. Blakeley
Mr. Ryan	Mr. Parker Moloney

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

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Question—That the clause, as amended, be agreed to—put.

The Committee divided—

Ayes, 35.

Mr. Atkinson	Mr. Jowett
Mr. Bamford	Mr. Lister
Mr. Bayley	Mr. Mackay
Mr. Bell	Mr. Marks
Sir Robert Best	Mr. Marr
Mr. Blundell	Mr. Maxwell
Mr. Bruce	Mr. McWilliams
Mr. Donald Cameron	Mr. Poynton
Sir Joseph Cook	Mr. Prowse
Mr. Robert Cook	Mr. Rodgers
Mr. Corser	Sir Granville Ryrie
Mr. R. W. Foster	Mr. Laird Smith
Mr. Greene	Mr. Wienholt
Mr. Gregory	Mr. Wise
Mr. Groom	
Mr. Hay	
Mr. Higgs	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. Hughes	Mr. Burchell
Mr. Jackson	Mr. Story

Noes, 12.

Mr. Brennan	Mr. Ryan
Mr. Considine	Mr. Tudor
Mr. Cunningham	Mr. West
Mr. Fenton	
Mr. W. Maloney	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. Mathews	Mr. Blakeley
Mr. James Page	Mr. Parker Moloney

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Clause 4 debated and agreed to.

Clauses 5 and 6 agreed to.

Clause 7—

Clause, after debate, amended, on the motion of Mr. Poynton, by the omission of the words "section is" (lines 25 and 26), and the insertion of the words "sections are" in place thereof; by the omission, on the motion of Mr. Maxwell, of the words "is opposed to" (line 38), and the insertion of the words "advocates the abolition of" in place thereof; and by the addition, on the motion of Mr. Poynton, of the following words to the clause (page 4) :—

"8B.—(1.) A national of any country who, in pursuance of any treaty to which the Commonwealth is a party, is liable to be returned to that country, may be deported from the Commonwealth to that country pursuant to any order of the Minister.

"(2.) The master, owners, agents and charterers of any vessel shall, when required so to do by the Minister or any person thereto authorized in writing by the Minister, provide a passage to any port to which the vessel is bound and such accommodation as the Minister, or any person thereto authorized in writing by the Minister, thinks fit for any person ordered to be deported from the Commonwealth in pursuance of the last preceding sub-section."

Question—That the clause, as amended, be agreed to—put.

The Committee divided—

Ayes, 34.

Mr. Atkinson	Mr. Jackson
Mr. Bamford	Mr. Jowett
Mr. Bayley	Mr. Lister
Mr. Bell	Mr. Mackay
Sir Robert Best	Mr. Marks
Mr. Blundell	Mr. Marr
Mr. Bruce	Mr. Maxwell
Mr. Donald Cameron	Mr. Poynton
Sir Joseph Cook	Mr. Prowse
Mr. Robert Cook	Mr. Rodgers
Mr. Corser	Sir Granville Ryrie
Mr. R. W. Foster	Mr. Laird Smith
Mr. Francis	Mr. Wienholt
Mr. Greene	Mr. Wise
Mr. Gregory	
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Mr. Considine	Mr. West
Mr. Cunningham	
Mr. Fenton	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. W. Maloney	Mr. Parker Moloney
Mr. Mathews	Mr. James Page

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Clause 8 agreed to.

Title agreed to.

Bill to be reported with amendments.

The House resumed; Mr. Chanter reported accordingly.

Mr. Poynton 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. Poynton, the House adopted the Report, and the Bill was read a third time.

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9. AIR NAVIGATION BILL.—The Order of the Day having been read for the second reading—Sir Granville Ryrie moved, That the Bill be now read a second time.
 Debate ensued.
 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.)

Bill agreed to, after debate, and to be reported without amendment.

The House resumed; Mr. Chanter reported accordingly.
 On the motion of Sir Granville Ryrie, the House adopted the Report.
 Sir Granville Ryrie moved, pursuant to contingent notice, That the Standing Orders be suspended, to enable the remaining stage to be passed without delay.
 Question—put and passed.
 On the motion of Sir Granville Ryrie, the Bill was read a third time.

10. POSTPONEMENT OF BUSINESS.—Ordered—That the intervening Business be postponed until after the consideration of Notice of Motion No. 6, Government Business.
11. CARBIDE OF CALCIUM—RESTRICTION OF IMPORTATION, ETC.—Mr. Greene moved, pursuant to notice, That the importation of carbide of calcium into the Commonwealth be prohibited except under licence by the Minister for Trade and Customs and subject to the following conditions:—
- (1) That the price of Australian carbide of calcium f.o.b. Hobart shall not exceed £30 per ton except with the approval of the Minister; and
 - (2) That the Minister is satisfied that the price charged for Australian carbide of calcium is not excessive.

Debate ensued.

Mr. Blakeley moved, That the debate be now adjourned.

Question—That the debate be now adjourned—put and passed.

Ordered—That the resumption of the debate be made an Order of the Day for to-morrow.

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

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

MEMBERS PRESENT.—All Members were present (at some time during the sitting) except—Mr. Anstey, Mr. Bowden, Mr. J. H. Catts, Mr. Austin Chapman, Mr. Charlton, Mr. Gabb, Mr. Hill, Mr. Lamond, Mr. Lavelle, Mr. Lazzarini, Mr. Livingston, Mr. Mahony, Mr. Makin, Mr. McGrath, Mr. Nicholls, Mr. Earle Page, Mr. Riley, Mr. Stewart, and Mr. Watt.

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