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THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA.

No. 155.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

WEDNESDAY, 29TH JUNE, 1921.

- 1. The House met, at half-past two o'clock p.m., pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Deputy-Speaker took the Chair, and read Prayers.
- 2. NOTICE OF MOTION WITHDRAWN -- Mr. Parker Moloney's Notice of Motion, No. 23, General Business (for a Royal Commission on Wheat Pools), was withdrawn.
- 3. WAYS AND MEANS [The TARIFF].—The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Ways and Means.

(In the Committee.)

[See reprinted Tariff, which incorporates the proposed Resolutions of 24th March, 1920 (vide pages 36-88 ante), as amended by the proposed Resolutions of 16th September, 1920 (vide pages 321-6 ante).] Item 300, viz. :---

	British Preferential Tariff.	Intermediato Tariff.	General Tariff.
300. Woodware for Vehicles, viz. :			
(A) Felloes, hickory, cut, shaped, or bent, plain,			
in the rough ad val.	15 per cent.	15 per cent.	15 per cent.
(B) Hubs, elm, with or without metal bands	15	л н ,	
ad val. (c) Hubs, prepared, n.e.i each	15 per cent. 1s. 3d.	15 per cent. 1s. 3d.	15 per cent.
(C) Hubs, prepared, n.e.i each (D) Rims, hickory, bent, squared, plain, in the	18. Ju.	18. Ju.	1s. 3d.
rough ad val.	15 per cent.	15 per cent.	15 per cent.
(E) Rims, n.e.i each	1s. 3d.	1s. 3d.	1s. 3d.
(F) Spokes, hickory, rough-turned, but not			
shouldered or tenoned ad val.	5 per cent.	5 per cent.	5 per cent.
(G) Spokes, hickory, dressed, 2 in. and under in			_
diameter ad val.	15 per cent.	15 per cent.	15 per cent.
(H) Spokes, dressed or prepared (not being of hickory), 2 in. or under in diameter			
per 100	12s.	12s.	12s.
(I) Bars, Shaft and Whiffletree ad val.	25 per cent.	30 per cent.	35 per cent.
(J) Poles and Shafts, in the rough, bent, un-	r conor	oo por oono.	oo per cont.
dressed, or dressed ad val.	25 per cent.	30 per cent.	35 per cent.
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Sub-item (G)— Debate resumed. Sub-item agreed to. Sub-items (H), (I) and (J) agreed to. Item 301, viz. :—

	British Preferential Tariff.	Intermediate Tariff.	General Tariff.
301. Wicker, Bamboo, and Cane :			
(A) Bamboo, clouded	Free	Free	Free
(B) Canes and Rattans, and Bamboo unmanu-			
factured	Free	Free	Free
(c) Cane, compressed, in sheet and unshaped,	1		
and enamelled	Free	Free	Free
(p) Basketware n.e.i ad val.	35 per cent.	40 per cent.	45 per cent.
(E) Wicker, Bamboo, and Cane, all manufactures	1	L	- Por contr
of, n.e.i., whether partly or wholly finished,			
including Bamboo Rules ad val.	40 per cent.	45 per cent.	50 per cent.
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Mr. Greene moved, That the Item be amended by adding after "Basketware n.e.i." in sub-item (D) the following :---- "Up to and including 29th June, 1921".

Amendment agreed to.

Mr. Greene moved, That the Item be further amended by adding the following :---

	British Preferential Tariff,	Intermediate Tariff.	General Tariff.
 "And on and after 30th June, 1921 (A) Bamboo, clouded (B) Canes and Rattans, and Bamboo unmanufactured (C) Cane, compressed, in sheet and unshaped, and enamelled (D) Wicker, Bamboo, and Cane, all manufactures of, n.e.i., whether partly or wholly 	Free Free Free	Free Free Free	Free Free Free
finished, including Bamboo Rules ad val.	40 per cent.	45 per cent.	50 per cent."

Amendment agreed to. Item, as amended, agreed to. Item 302 agreed to. Item 303, viz. :--

 303. (A) Wood, all articles made of, n.e.i., whether partly or wholly finished; Bellows; Sashes, and Frames; Window Screens; Walking Sticks; Hods; Mallets; Rakes; Grain Shovels; Saw Frames; Mitre Boxes; Wood Split Pulleys; Wood Bungs; Wood 			,
(B) Incubators, n.e.i.; Foster Mothers and Brooders	30 per cent. £2 30 per cent. 20 per cent.	40 per cent. £2 5s. 35 per cent. 20 per cent.	45 per cent. £2 5s. 35 per cent. 20 per cent.

Debate ensued.

Mr. Greene moved, That the Item be amended by adding the following :---

	British Preferential Tariff.	Intermediate Tariff.	General Ta riff .
. "(D) Clothes Pegs—on and after 30th June, 1921 per gross	1 s.	1 s.	1s. 6d."

Amendment agreed to.

Item further debated, and, as amended, agreed to.

Item 304 agreed to. Item 305 debated and agreed to.

Items 306 to 308 agreed to.

Item 309 debated and agreed to.

Items 310 to 313 agreed to.

Item 314 debated and agreed to.

Item 315 agreed to.

Item 316, viz. :---

	British Preferential Tariif.	Intermediate Tariff.	General Tariff.
316. Imitation, Reconstructed, and Synthetic Pre- cious Stones, and Pearls, unset : Cultured Pearls, unset ad val.	Free	Free	20 per cent.

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Mr. Greene moved, That the Item be amended by omitting the comma after "Stones". Amendment agreed to. Item, as amended, agreed to. Item 317 agreed to. Item 318, viz. :--

``	British Preferential Tariff.	Intermediate Tariff.	General Tariff.
 318. (A) Watches, Clocks, and Chronometers, n.e.i.; Time Registers and Detectors; Opera, Field, and Marine Glasses; Pedometers; Pocket Counters and the like ad val. (B) Movements and parts of Movements, n.e.i., for use in the manufacture of Clocks, as prescribed by Departmental By-laws 	25 per cent.	30 per cent.	45 per cent.
ad val. (c) Parts for use in the manufacture of Opera, Field and Marine Glasses, as prescribed	10 per cent.	20 per cent.	25 per cent.
by Departmental By-laws ad val.	10 per cent.	20 per cent.	25 per cent.

Mr. Greene moved, That the Item be amended by adding the following to sub-item (A) :---

	British Preferential Tariff.	Intermediate Tariff.	General Tariff.
 "And on and after 30th June, 1921 (A) (1) Clocks, n.e.i.; Time Registers and Detcctors; Opera, Field, and Marine Glasses; Pedometers; Pocket Counters and the like ad val. (2) Watches and Chronometers, n.e.i. ad val. 		30 per cent. 20 per cent.	45 per cent. 30 per cent."

Noes, 8.

Mr. McDonald

Mr. Hill

Mr. Prowse

Tellers:

Mr. Robert Cook

Mr. Fleming Mr. R. W. Foster

Mr. Gabb

Mr. Gregory

Debate ensued.

Question—That the amendment be agreed to—put.

he Committee divided-	-
Ayes,	32.
Mr. Anstey	Mr. Lister
Mr. Bamford	Mr. Mackay
Mr. Bayley	Mr. Mahony
Mr. Bell	Mr. Makin
Sir Robert Best	Mr. W. Maloney
Mr. Blakeley	Mr. Mathews
Mr. Bowden	Mr. Parker Moloney
Mr. Donald Cameron	Mr. Riley
Mr. Charlton	Mr. Rodgers
Sir Joseph Cook	Sir Granville Rvrie
Mr. Corser	Mr. Laird Smith
Mr. Cunningham	Mr. Watkins
Mr. Fenton	Mr. Wise
Mr. Foley	
Mr. Francis	Tellers:
Mr. Greene	Mr. Burchell
Mr. Lamond	Mr. Story I
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And so it was resolved in the affirmative. Item, as amended, agreed to. Item 319 agreed to.

Item 320. viz. :---

	British Preferential Tariff.	Intermediate Tariff.	General Tariff.
 320. (A) Home Kinematographs ad val. (B) Kinematographs n.e.i ad val. (c) Films for Kinematographs— 	Free 25 per cent.	Free 35 per cent.	10 per cent. 40 per cent.
(1) Sensitized Films, and Films n.e.i.(2) Exposed or Developed Films repre-	Free	Free	Free
senting Dramatic or Australian Subjects per lineal foot	1d.	11d.	1½d.

	British Preferentiał Tariff.	Intermediate Tariff.	General Tariff.
"And on and after 30th June, 1921 (B) Kinematographs n.e.i. including Arc Lamps for projection purposes ad val.	25 per cent.	35 per cent.	40 per cent."

Amendment agreed to.

Mr. Greene moved, That the Item be further amended by adding the following to sub-item (c) :---

	British Preferential Tariff.	Intermediate Tariff.	General Tariff.
 "And on and after 30th June, 1921 (c) (1) Sensitized Films, and Films n.e.i (2) Exposed or developed Films representing dramatic or Australian subjects :	. Free	Free	. Free
Kinematographs per lineal foot (b) Other per lineal foot Provided that any such films printed from a negative which was not the produce or manufacture of the United Kingdom shall not be entitled to entry at the rate of the British Pre- ferential Tariff under this sub-item."	<u></u> 1d. 1d.	12d. 12d.	¹ 2d. 1 <u>1</u> d.

- And the proposed amendment being divided---

Paragraph (1) agreed to. Paragraph (2) to end of sub-paragraph (a) agreed to. Sub-paragraph (b) debated—

Mr. Riley moved, That the proposed amendment be amended as follows :----

	 		British Preferential Tariff.	Intermediate Tariff.	General Tariff.
Omit— "(b) Other Insert— "(b) Other	 ··· ··	 per lineal foot per lineal foot	1d. 1d.	1∳d. 3d.	1½d." 3d."

Question-That the amendment to the proposed amendment be agreed to-put.

The Committee divided----

Ayes,	25.	Noes	, 18.
Mr. Bell Mr. Blakeley Mr. Donald Cameron Mr. Charlton Mr. Robert Cook Mr. Cunningham Mr. Fenton Mr. Fleming Mr. R. W. Foster Mr. Francis Mr. Gabb Mr. Gibson Mr. Hill Mr. Lister	Mr. Mahony Mr. Makin Mr. W. Maloney Mr. Mathews Mr. McDonald Mr. McWilliams Mr. Riley Mr. Watkins Mr. West <i>Tellers</i> : Mr. Parker Moloney Mr. Prowse	Mr. Anstey Mr. Bayley Mr. Bowden Sir Joseph Cook Mr. Corser Mr. Foley Mr. Greene Mr. Gregory Mr. Lamond Mr. Mackay	Mr. Marr Mr. McGrath Mr. Rodgers Sir Granville Ryrie Mr. Laird Smith Mr. Wise <i>Tellers:</i> Mr. Burchell Mr. Story

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Amendment, as amended, agreed to.

Item, as amended, agreed to.

Proviso agreed to.

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Item 321, viz. :---

	British Preferential Tariff.	Intermediate Tariff.	General Tarif
321. Spectacles and Spectacle Frames, Magnifying			
and Reading Glasses, viz. :			
(A) Wholly or partly of gold or silver (not being			
included in sub-item (B)) ad val.	40 per cent.	50 per cent.	55 per cen
(B) Rolled-gold, gold-filled, gold-cased, gold-			
plated, or gilt ad val.	10 per cent.	10 per cent.	20 per cer
(c) N.E.I ad val.	Free	Free	10 per cer

Mr. Greene moved, That the Item be amended by adding the following :--

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	British Preferential Tariff.	Intermediate Tarlff.	General Tariff.
 "And on and after 30th June, 1921 321. Spectacles and Spectacle Frames, Magnifying and Reading Glasses, viz. : (A) Wholly or partly of gold or silver (not being included in sub-item (B)) ad val. (B) Rolled-gold, gold-filled, gold-cased, gold-plated or gilt, including the articles named when fitted with pads, bridges, or knuckles of gold ad val. (C) N.E.I ad val. 	30 per cent.	35 per cent.	40 per cent.
	10 per cent.	, 10 per cent.	20 per cent.
	Free	Free	10 per cent."

Amendment agreed to.

Item, as amended, agreed to.

Item 322 agreed to.

Item 323 debated and agreed to.

Item 324, viz. :---

	British Preferential Tariff.	Intermediate Tariff.	General Tariff.
 324. Leather, viz. : (A) Chamois Leather (B) Crust or Rough Tanned Goatskins, P Sheepskins, and Skivers ; Hogskir 		Free	Free
· · ·	d val. 10 per cent. e foot 3d. d val. 30 per cent.	3½d.	10 per cent. 4d. 45 per cent.
(4) N.E.I a	d val. 25 per cent. d val. 25 per cent. d val. 25 per cent.	30 per cent.	35 per cent. 35 per cent. 35 per cent.

Debate ensued.

Mr. Greene moved, That the Item be amended by adding the following to sub-item (A) :---

	British Preferential Tariff.	Intermediate Tariff.	General Tariff.
" And on and after 1st January, 1922 ad val.		15 per cent.	20 per cent."

Amendment agreed to.

29th June, 1921.

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			British Preferential Tariff.	, Intermediato Tariff.	General Tariff.
	nd on and after 30th J per so chever rate returns the hi	quare foot or ad val.	6d. 30 per cent.	7d. 35 per cent.	8d. 40 per cent
	endment be agreed to—p	ut.	<u>.</u>	·	
The Committee divided					
Ayes,	20.		Noes,	20.	
Mr. Anstey Mr. Bayley Sir Robert Best Mr. Charlton Mr. Robert Cook	Mr. Mahony Mr. Makin Mr. W. Maloney Mr. Mathews Mr. McGrath	Mr. Mr. Sir	Bell Bowden Donald Came Joseph Cook Foley	Mr. Mac Mr. Mar ron Mr. Mar Mr. Pro Mr. Rod	r vr wse

Mr. R. W. Foster

Mr. Gabb

Mr. Gibson

Mr. Greene

Mr. Gregory

Mr. Lamond

Sir Granville Ryrie

Tellers:

Mr. Burchell

Mr. Storv

Mr. Wise

Mr. Riley Mr. West

Tellers:

Mr. Parker Molonev

Mr. Blakeley

Mr. W. Maloney moved. That the Item be further amended by adding the following to sub-item (c) (1):---

	British Preferențial Tariff.	Intermediate Tarlíf.	General Tarlff.
" And on and after 30th June, 1921			
(c) (1) Patent and Enamelled per square foot	3d.	4d.	6d.
or ad val.	25 per cent.	30 per cent.	35 per cent.
whichever rate returns the higher duty		-	-
(2) Glacé Kid per square foot	9d.	11d.	12d.
or ad val.	25 per cent.	30 per cent.	35 per cent.
whichever rate returns the higher duty		я.	· •
(3) Calf, other than Patent and Enamelled			
ad val.	25 per cent.	30 per cent.	35 per cent.
(4) N.E.I ad val.	25 per cent.	30 per cent.	35 per cent."
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The number for the "Ayes" and the "Noes" being equal, the Chairman gave a casting vote, and

Mr. Greene moved, That the Item be further amended by adding the following to sub-item (c) :---

Debate ensued.

Mr. Corser

Mr. Fenton

Mr. Francis Mr. Hill

Mr. Lister

Mr. Cunningham

voted with the "Noes". And so the question was negatived.

Amendment agreed to.

Item, as amended, agreed to.

Item 325 agreed to. Item 326 debated and agreed to.

Item 327 agreed to.

Item 328, viz. :--

·	British Preferential Tariff.	Intermediate Tariff.	General Tariff.
328. Goloshes, Rubber Sand Boots and Shoes and Plimsolls ad val.	25 per cent.	30 per cent.	35 per cent.

Debite ensued.

Mr. Greene moved, That the Item be amended by adding the following :---

	British Preferential Tariff.	Intermediate Tariff.	General Tariff.
"And on and after 30th June, 1921 per pair or ad val. whichever rate returns the higher duty"	1s. 6d. 25 per cent.	.1s. 9d. 30 per cent.	2s. 35 per cent.

Amendment agreed to. Item, as amended, agreed to.

Item 329 debated and agreed to.

Item 330 debated and agreed to.

Item 331 agreed to.

Item 332, viz. :---

·	British Preferential Tariff.	Intermediate Tariff.	General Tariff.
 332. (A) Rubber Syringes, Enemas, Injection Bottles, Urinals, Air and Water Beds, Air Cushions and Pillows, and cut-sheet Surgical Tubing ad val. (B) Rubber and other Hose; Rubber Manufac- tures, n.e.i., and Articles, n.e.i., in which rubber forms a part, including Bandages, Elastic Stockings, Leggings, Knee Caps, Thigh-pieces and Wristlets, Rubber Gloves, 	25 per cent.	30 per cent.	40 per cent
 including Surgeons', Hat-makers' Press Bags and Rings, Gas Bags, Soles, Pads, and Heels, Cash Mats, Rubbered Tyre Fabric, Tyre Rubber, Rubber Stoppers or Corks, Photographic Accessories of Rubber not being integral parts of cameras; Cycle and Motor Car Repair Outfits ad val. (c) Floor and Carriage Mats of Rubber ad val. (d) Any article composed wholly or in part of a rubber substitute shall be charged at the rate to which the article would be liable if it were composed wholly or in part of rubber. 	25 per cent. 25 per cent.	30 per cent. 30 per cent.	40 per cent • 40 por cent

Mr. Greene moved, That the Item be amended by adding the following to sub-item (B) :--

· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	British Preferential Tariff.	Intermediate Tariif.	General Tariff.
 And on and after 30th June, 1921 (B) Rubber and other Hose; Rubber Manufactures, n.e.i., and Articles, n.e.i., in which rubber forms a part, including Bandages, Elastic Stockings, Leggings, Knee Caps, Thigh-pieces and Wristlets, Rubber Gloves, including Surgeons', Hat-makers' Press Bags and Rings, Gas Bags, Soles, Pads, and Heels, Cash Mats, Rubbered Tyre Fabric, Tyre Rubber, l'hotographic Accessories of Rubber not being integral parts of cameras; Cycle and Motor Car Repair Outfits ad val. 	25 per cent.	30 per cent.	40 per cent."

Amendment agreed to.

Mr. Greene moved, That the Item be further amended by adding the following to sub-item (c) :---

·	British Preferential Tariff.	Intermediate Tariff.	General Tariff.
" And on and after 28th May, 1921 (c) Floor Coverings and Floor and Carriage Mats of Rubber ad val.	25 per cent.	30 per cent.	40 per cent."

Amendment agreed to.

Item, as amended, agreed to.

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	British Preferential Tariff.	Intermediate Tariff.	General Tariff.
333. (A) Pneumatic Rubber Tyres, and Tubes there-			
for, valved or unvalved.			
(1) Covers weighing each $2\frac{1}{2}$ lb. or less;			
Tubes weighing each 1 lb. or less			
ad val.	25 per cent.	35 per cent.	40 per cent
(2) Covers weighing each over $2\frac{1}{2}$ lb.;	-	-	-
Tubes weighing each over 1 lb.			
per lb.	1s. 6d.	2s.	2s. 6d.
or ad val.	25 per cent.	35 per cent.	40 per cent
whichever rate returns the higher duty			
(B) Rubber Tyres other than pneumatic, in-			
cluding compositions made up in form			
and size suitable for use with pneumatic			
tyre covers as a substitute for the inner		• •	
tube ad val.	25 per cent.	35 per cent.	40 per cent
Debate ensued.	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	· · · ·	
Ar. Gregory moved, That the Item be amended by adding th	e following to	sub-item (A) :-	
	British	Intermediate	~
	Preferential Tariff.	Tariff.	General Tariff.
" And on and after 30th June, 1921			
per lb.	1s. 6d.	2s.	2s. 6d."

Debate ensued.

Question-That the amendment be agreed to-put.

The Committee divided-

Aye	s, 10.	· Noes,	30.
Mr. Bell Mr. Bowden Mr. Robert Cook Mr. R. W. Foster Mr. Fowler Mr. Gregory	Mr. Hill Mr. McWilliams <i>Tellers:</i> Mr. Gibson Mr. Prowse	Mr. Anstey Sir Robert Best Mr. Brennan Mr. Donald Cameron Mr. Charlton Sir Joseph Cook Mr. Corser Mr. Fenton Mr. Foley Mr. Francis Mr. Gabb Mr. Greene Mr. Lamond Mr. Lister Mr. Mahony Mr. Makin	Mr. W. Maloney Mr. Marr Mr. Mathews Mr. McGrath Mr. Parker Moloney Mr. Riley Mr. Rodgers Sir Granville Ryrie Mr. Laird Smith Mr. Watkins Mr. West Mr. West Mr. Wise Tellers: Mr. Burchell Mr. Story
And so it was negatived	l.		

Item agreed to.

Ordered, after debate-That the consideration of Division XIII. (Items 334 to 349) be postponed until Friday next.

Item 350 agreed to. Item 351, viz. :---

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	British Preferential Tariff.	Intermediate Tariff.	General Tariff.
 351. (A) Cycle Motor Cycle and Side Car parts n.e.i (except of leather or rubber), including Steel Bars for the manufacture of rims, Ball Heads not permanently joir ed and parts thereof plated or ur plated, Bottom Brackets i cluding Bracket Shells and plated or unplated Axles Cups Cranks Cotter and Locking Pins Lubricators and 			

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Item 351-continued.

	British Preferential Tariff,	Intermediate Tariff.	General Tariff.
 351continued. Chain Wheels, Hubs including Sprocket Wheels Lock Rings and Free Wheel Clutches, Lugs, Fork Ends, Bridges, Nipples, Spokes, Spoke Washers, Chains, Pedals and metal parts thereof, as pre- scribed by Departmental By-laws ad val. (в) Valves for pneumatic tyres; Cyclometers; Speedometers ad val. 	Free Free	Free Free	5 per cent. 5 per cent.

Mr. Greene moved, That the Item be amended by adding the following to sub-item (B) :---

	British Preferential Tariff.	Intermediate Tariff.	General Tariff.
"And on and after 30th June, 1921 (в) Valves for pneumatic tyres; Cyclometers; Speedometers; Brake and Transmission Linings ad val.	Free	Frec	5 per cent."

Amendment agreed to.

Item, as amended, agreed to.

Items 352 and 353 agreed to.

Item 354, viz. :---

	British Preferential Tariff.	Intermediate Tariff.	General Tariff.
354. Motor Cycles, Side Cars, Motor Tricycles and similar Vehicles, n.e.i., and Frames thereof, whether partly or wholly finished each or ad val. whichever rate returns the higher duty	£10 30 per cent.	£11 35 per cent.	• £12 40 per cent.

Debate ensued.

Mr. Greene moved, That the Item be amended by adding the following :---

	British Preferential • Tariff.	Intermediate Tarlff.	General Tariff.
"And on and after 30th June, 1921		-	
354. (A) Side Cars, Motor Tricycles and similar Vehicles,			I .
n.e.i., and Frames thereof, whether partly			
or wholly finished each	£10	£11	£12
or ad val.	30 per cent.	35 per cent.	40 per cent.
whichever rate returns the higher duty	·		
(B) Motor Cycles, and Frames thereof, whether			
	20 per cent.	25 per cent.	30 per cent."
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Debate ensued.

Amendment agreed to.

Item, as amended, agreed to.

Items 355, 356, and 357 agreed to.

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·	British Preferential Tariff.	Intermediate Tariff.	General Tariff.
 358. (A) Aeroplanes, and other Aircraft including Balloons and Parachutes ad val. And on and after 1st January, 1923 ad val. (B) Parts and Materials, used in the manufacture or repair of Aeroplanes and other Aircraft, 	Free 25 per cent.	Free 30 per cent.	10 per cent 35 per cent
as prescribed by Departmental By-laws ad val.	Free	Free	10 per cent

	Mr.	Greene moved.	, That the Item	be amended by	[,] adding the fo	ollowing :
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·	British Preferential Tariff.	Intermediate Tariff.	General Tariff.
" (c) Landing Lights specially constructed for use in aerodromes for night flying—on and after 30th June, 1921 ad val.	Free	Free	10 per cent."

Amendment agreed to.

Item, as amended, agreed to.

Item 359--

Sub-items (A) and (B) debated and agreed to.

Sub-item (c)-

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

The House resumed; Mr. Fleming reported accordingly.

Resolved-That the House will, at its next sitting, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

4. MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.-SUPPLY BILL (No. 1) 1921-22.-Mr. Deputy-Speaker announced the receipt of the following Message from the Senate :---

MR. SPEAKER,

Message No. 84.

The Senate returns to the House of Representatives the Bill for "An Act to grant and apply a sum out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund for the service of the year ending the thirtieth day of June One thousand nine hundred and twenty-two," to which it has agreed without requests.

The Senate,

Melbourne, 29th June, 1921.

THOS. GIVENS.

President.

- 5. POSTFONEMENT OF BUSINESS .--- Ordered --- That the intervening business be postponed until after the consideration of Notice of Motion No. 4.
- 6. MAIL SERVICE TO EUROPE-AGREEMENT WITH ORIENT COMPANY.-Mr. Wise moved, pursuant to notice, That the House of Representatives approves the Agreement made and entered into the 27th day of April, 1921, between His Majesty's Postmaster-General in and for the Commonwealth of Australia of the one part and the Orient Steam Navigation Company Ltd. of the other part for the carriage of mails and services to be performed as therein provided, a copy of which Agreement has been laid upon the Table of the House.
 - Debate ensued.

Question—put and passed.

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

- Debate ensued.
- Question-put and passed.
- And then the House, at six minutes past eleven 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. Blundell, Mr. Bruce, Mr. J. H. Catts, Mr. Austin Chapman, Mr. Groom, Mr. Hay, Mr. Higgs, Mr. Hughes*,

Mr. Jackson, Sir Elliot Johnson*, Mr. Jowett, Mr. Lavelle, Mr. Lazzarini*, Mr. Livingston, Mr. Maxwell, Mr. Nicholls, Mr. Earle Page, Mr. Poynton*, Mr. Ryan, Mr. Stewart, Mr. Tudor*, and Mr. Wienholt. * On leave.

WALTER A. GALE,

Clerk of the House of Representatives

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