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THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA.

No. 164.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

THURSDAY, 14TH JULY, 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. **PARLIAMENTARY STANDING COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC WORKS.**—Mr. Gregory, Chairman of the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Public Works, brought up the following Report from the Committee—

Report relating to the Acquisition of Lands for the proposed Anzac Memorial Square, Brisbane, Queensland.

Ordered—That the Paper be printed.

3. **PAPERS.**—The following Papers were presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor-General—Cockatoo Island Dockyard—Royal Commission—Minority Report by Mr. W. J. McWilliams, M.P.

Ordered to lie on the Table, and to be printed.

League of Nations—Permanent Court of International Justice—

- (1) Resolution concerning its Establishment—passed by the Assembly, 13th December, 1920.
- (2) Protocol of Signature of the Statute for, provided for by Article 14 of the Covenant of the League of Nations, with the text of this Statute.
- (3) Resolution concerning the Salaries of the Members—passed by the Assembly, 18th December, 1920.

Ordered to lie on the Table.

4. **SUPPLY** ["GRIEVANCE DAY"].—Pursuant to the provisions of Standing Order No. 241, the Order of the Day having been read for going into the Committee of Supply—

Question proposed—That Mr. Deputy-Speaker do now leave the Chair.

Mr. Ryan moved, as an amendment, That all the words after the word "That" be omitted with a view to the insertion of the following words in place thereof:—"it is urgently necessary for the Commonwealth Government to immediately recognise its responsibilities and discharge its obligations in respect to the present unemployment problem in Australia, which has arisen largely through ineffectual carrying out of Commonwealth functions."

Debate ensued.

Question—That the words proposed to be omitted stand part of the question—put.

The House divided—

Ayes, 24.

Mr. Bamford	Mr. Jowett
Mr. Bell	Mr. Lister
Mr. Blundell	Mr. Livingston
Sir Joseph Cook	Mr. Maxwell
Mr. Corser	Mr. Rodgers
Mr. R. W. Foster	Sir Granville Ryrie
Mr. Francis	Mr. Laird Smith
Mr. Gibson	Mr. Stewart
Mr. Greene	Mr. Wise
Mr. Gregory	
Mr. Groom	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. Higgs	Mr. Marr
Mr. Hill	Mr. Story

Noes, 12.

Mr. Anstey	Mr. Parker Moloney
Mr. Charlton	Mr. Riley
Mr. Fenton	Mr. Ryan
Mr. Gabb	
Mr. Lavelle	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. Makin	Mr. Mahony
Mr. McGrath	Mr. Mathews

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Question—That Mr. Deputy-Speaker do now leave the Chair—put and negatived.

Resolved—That the House will, at a later hour this day, resolve itself into the said Committee.

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5. TARIFF BOARD 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, *and on the Amendment moved thereto by Mr. Fenton, viz.:*—That all the words after the word “now” be omitted with a view to the insertion of the following words in place thereof:—“withdrawn for the purpose of immediately re-casting and re-introducing so as to provide for—

(a) adequate guarantees for the primary producers and consumers generally that they can obtain locally manufactured articles or goods at reasonable prices;

(b) the securing of proper wages and conditions for those employed in protected industries”—

Debate resumed.

Question—That the words proposed to be omitted stand part of the question—put.

The House divided—

Ayes, 27.

Mr. Atkinson	Mr. Jowett
Mr. Bamford	Mr. Lister
Mr. Bell	Mr. Livingston
Mr. Blundell	Mr. Mackay
Mr. Donald Cameron	Mr. Maxwell
Sir Joseph Cook	Mr. McWilliams
Mr. Corser	Sir Granville Ryrie
Mr. R. W. Foster	Mr. Laird Smith
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Mr. Makin	Mr. Fenton
Mr. McGrath	Mr. Mathews

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

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

The House divided—

Ayes, 26.

Mr. Atkinson	Mr. Mackay
Mr. Bamford	Mr. Mahony
Mr. Bell	Mr. Marr
Mr. Blundell	Mr. Mathews
Mr. Donald Cameron	Mr. Maxwell
Sir Joseph Cook	Mr. Riley
Mr. Corser	Sir Granville Ryrie
Mr. R. W. Foster	Mr. Laird Smith
Mr. Francis	Mr. Stewart
Mr. Greene	Mr. Wise
Mr. Groom	
Mr. Higgs	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. Lister	Mr. Fenton
Mr. Livingston	Mr. Story

Noes, 11.

Mr. Brennan	Mr. McWilliams
Mr. Gabb	Mr. Ryan
Mr. Gibson	
Mr. Gregory	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. Hill	
Mr. Jowett	Mr. Makin
Mr. Lavelle	Mr. Parker Moloney

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 to 3 agreed to.

Clause 4—

Mr. Francis moved, as an amendment, That the following words be added to the clause:—“of the House of Representatives and two Members of the Senate.”

Debate ensued.

Question—That the words proposed to be added be so added—put.

The Committee divided—

Ayes, 14.

Mr. Brennan	Mr. McGrath
Mr. Charlton	Mr. McWilliams
Mr. Gabb	Mr. Riley
Mr. Higgs	Mr. Ryan
Mr. Jowett	
Mr. Lavelle	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. Livingston	Mr. Francis
Mr. Mahony	Mr. Parker Moloney

Noes, 22.

Mr. Bamford	Mr. Lister
Mr. Bell	Mr. Mackay
Mr. Blundell	Mr. Maxwell
Mr. Donald Cameron	Mr. Rodgers
Mr. Corser	Sir Granville Ryrie
Mr. Fenton	Mr. Laird Smith
Mr. R. W. Foster	Mr. Stewart
Mr. Gibson	Mr. Wise
Mr. Greene	
Mr. Groom	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. Hay	Mr. Marr
Mr. Hill	Mr. Story

And so it was negatived.

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Clause further debated, and agreed to.

Clause 5—

Mr. Jowett moved, as an amendment, That the words "One of" (sub-clause (2.)) be omitted.

Debate ensued.

Amendment negatived.

Clause agreed to.

Clauses 6 to 8 agreed to.

Clause 9 debated and agreed to.

Clauses 10 to 13 agreed to.

Clause 14 debated—

Mr. Gregory moved, as an amendment, That the following words be inserted after the word "Tariff" (line 24)—"or that the consumer is being charged unfair prices for protected articles."

Debate ensued.

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

The House resumed ; Mr. Atkinson reported accordingly.

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

6. ADJOURNMENT.—Mr. Greene moved, That the House do now adjourn.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and passed.

And then the House, at two minutes minutes past eleven o'clock p.m., adjourned until to-morrow at eleven o'clock a.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT.—All Members were present (at some time during the sitting) except—Mr. Bayley, Sir Robert Best, Mr. Bowden, Mr. Bruce, Mr. Burchell, Mr. J. H. Catts, Mr. Austin Chapman, Mr. Considine, Mr. Fleming, Mr. Foley, Mr. Fowler, Mr. Hughes, Mr. Jackson, Sir Elliot Johnson, Mr. Lamond, Mr. Lazzarini*, Mr. Marks, Mr. Poynton, Mr. Prowse, Mr. Tudor, Mr. West, and Mr. Wienholt.

* On leave.

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