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## THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA.

No. 189.

## VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

## HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

THURSDAY, 10TH NOVEMBER, 1921.

1. The House met, at half-past two o'clock p.m., pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair, and read Prayers.
2. PRINTING COMMITTEE—FIFTH REPORT FROM.—Mr. Corser, Chairman, brought up the Fifth Report from the Printing Committee (sitting in conference with the Printing Committee of the Senate). The Report was read by the Clerk, as follows :—

## REPORT.

The Printing Committee have the honour to report that they have met in Conference with the Printing Committee of the Senate.

The Joint Committee, having considered the Petitions and Papers presented to Parliament since the last meeting of the Committee, recommend that the following be printed : -

Defence—Report of the Inspector-General of the Australian Military Forces (31st May, 1921).

Invalid and Old-age Pensions Act—Statement *re* Pensions for the twelve months ended 30th June, 1921.

2nd General Papers Index, including Presented Papers, Committee Reports, Returns to Order, &c., of both Houses, and certain printed Papers not formally presented, 1910-1919 (4th, 5th, 6th and 7th Parliaments).

International Labour Conference—Draft Conventions and Recommendations adopted during First Session, held at Washington, 1919, and Second Session, held at Genoa, 1920.

E. B. C. CORSER,  
Chairman.

Senate Committee Room,  
10th November, 1921.

Mr. Corser moved, That the Report be agreed to.  
Question—put and passed.

3. MINISTERIAL STATEMENT—ARMISTICE DAY.—Mr. Hughes, by leave, made a Ministerial Statement with reference to the arrangements in connexion with the observance to-morrow of Armistice Day.
4. CUSTOMS TARIFF BILL (1921)—SENATE'S REQUESTS.—The Order of the Day having been read for the further consideration in Committee of the whole House of the Amendments requested by the Senate (*vide* page 713 *ante*)—  
Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole.

*(In the Committee.)*

Postponed Requested Amendment No. 64—

Debate resumed on the motion of Mr. Greene, That the requested amendment be made with the following modification :—

Instead of	...	...	...	...	...	...	General Tariff.
							"7s. 0d."
Read	...	...	...	...	...	...	"6s. 6d."

Question—put and negatived.

Mr. Greene moved, That the requested amendment be made.

Question—put and passed.

Ordered - That the consideration of Requested Amendment No. 65 be further postponed until after the consideration of Requested Amendment No. 66.

Postponed Requested Amendment No. 66 debated, and made.

10th November, 1921.

Postponed Requested Amendment No. 65—

Mr. Greene moved, That the requested amendment be made with the following modification :—

	British Preferential Tariff.	Intermediate Tariff.	General Tariff.
Instead of— “(r) Timber, undressed, cut to size for making boxes per 100 super. feet	5s.	7s. 6d.	8s. 6d.”
Read— “(r) (1) Timber, undressed, n.e.i., for the manu- facture of boxes, as prescribed by Depart- mental By-laws .. per 100 super. feet	1s.	1s.	1s.
(2) Timber, undressed, cut to size for making boxes .. .. per 100 super. feet	5s.	5s.	5s.”

Debate ensued.

Question—put and passed.

Requested amendment, as so modified, accordingly made.

Postponed Requested Amendment No. 67 debated, and made.

Postponed Requested Amendment No. 68 made.

Requested Amendment No. 73—

Mr. Greene moved, That the requested amendment be made with the following modification :—

	British Preferential Tariff.	Intermediate Tariff.	General Tariff.
Instead of— “(A) Chamois Leather .. .. . ad val.	20 per cent.	25 per cent.	30 per cent.”
Read— “(A) Chamois Leather .. .. . And on and after 1st January, 1922	Free 20 per cent.	Free 25 per cent.	Free 30 per cent.”

Question—put and passed.

Requested amendment, as so modified, accordingly made.

Requested Amendment No. 74—

Mr. Greene moved, That the requested amendment be made with the following modification :—

	British Preferential Tariff.	Intermediate Tariff.	General Tariff.
Instead of .. .. . “ad val.	30 per cent.	35 per cent.	40 per cent.”
Read .. .. . “ad val.	35 per cent.	40 per cent.	45 per cent.”

Debate ensued.

Question—put.

The Committee divided—

Ayes, 33.

Mr. Bamford	Mr. Lamond
Mr. Bayley	Mr. Livingston
Mr. Bell	Mr. Mackay
Mr. Bowden	Mr. Marks
Mr. Donald Cameron	Mr. McWilliams
Mr. Austin Chapman	Mr. Earle Page
Sir Joseph Cook	Mr. Poynton
Mr. Fleming	Mr. Prowse
Mr. Foley	Mr. Rodgers
Mr. R. W. Foster	Sir Granville Ryrie
Mr. Gabb	Mr. Laird Smith
Mr. Gibson	Mr. Wienholt
Mr. Greene	Mr. Wise
Mr. Gregory	
Mr. Groom	
Mr. Hay	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. Hill	Mr. Marr
Mr. Hunter	Mr. Story

Noes, 20.

Sir Robert Best	Mr. W. Maloney
Mr. Blundell	Mr. Mathews
Mr. Charlton	Mr. Maxwell
Mr. Corser	Mr. Parker Moloney
Mr. Fenton	Mr. Riley
Mr. Francis	Mr. Watt
Mr. Higgs	Mr. West
Mr. Jackson	
Mr. Lazzarini	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. Lister	Mr. Anstey
Mr. Makin	Mr. Watkins

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Requested amendment, as so modified, accordingly made

10th November, 1921.

Requested Amendment No. 75—

Mr. Greene moved, That the requested amendment as regards sub-item (c) paragraph (1) be made.

Debate ensued.

Question—put.

The Committee divided—

Ayes, 24.

Mr. Donald Cameron	Mr. Mackay
Mr. Austin Chapman	Mr. Earle Page
Sir Joseph Cook	Mr. Poynton
Mr. Fleming	Mr. Prowse
Mr. Foley	Mr. Rodgers
Mr. R. W. Foster	Sir Granville Ryrie
Mr. Gibson	Mr. Laird Smith
Mr. Greene	Mr. Wienholt
Mr. Gregory	Mr. Wise
Mr. Groom	
Mr. Hill	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. Hunter	Mr. Bell
Mr. Livingston	Mr. Story

Noes, 25.

Mr. Austey	Mr. Makin
Mr. Bayley	Mr. W. Maloney
Sir Robert Best	Mr. Marks
Mr. Blundell	Mr. Mathews
Mr. Charlton	Mr. Maxwell
Mr. Corser	Mr. Riley
Mr. Fenton	Mr. Watkins
Mr. Francis	Mr. Watt
Mr. Gabb	Mr. West
Mr. Higgs	
Mr. Jackson	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. Lamond	Mr. Bowden
Mr. Lazzarini	Mr. Marr
Mr. Lister	

And so it was negatived.

Requested amendment accordingly not made.

Mr. Greene moved, That the requested amendment as regards sub-item (c) paragraph (2) be made with the following modification :—

Instead of—"Intermediate Tariff £2, General Tariff £2",  
*Read*—"Intermediate Tariff £3, General Tariff £3".

Debate ensued.

Question—put and passed.

Requested amendment, as so modified, accordingly made.

Requested Amendments Nos. 76, 77, 78, and 79 made.

Requested Amendment No. 80—

Mr. Greene moved, That the requested amendment be not made.

Debate ensued.

Question—put.

The Committee divided—

Ayes, 30.

Sir Robert Best	Mr. Marks
Mr. Blundell	Mr. Mathews
Mr. Austin Chapman	Mr. Earle Page
Mr. Charlton	Mr. Poynton
Sir Joseph Cook	Mr. Riley
Mr. Fenton	Mr. Rodgers
Mr. Francis	Sir Granville Ryrie
Mr. Gabb	Mr. Laird Smith
Mr. Greene	Mr. Watkins
Mr. Groom	Mr. Watt
Mr. Hughes	Mr. West
Mr. Jackson	Mr. Wise
Mr. Lamond	
Mr. Lister	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. Livingston	Mr. Marr
Mr. W. Maloney	Mr. Story

Noes, 20.

Mr. Bamford	Mr. Hunter
Mr. Bell	Mr. Jowett
Mr. Donald Cameron	Mr. Makin
Mr. Corser	Mr. Maxwell
Mr. Foley	Mr. McWilliams
Mr. R. W. Foster	Mr. Prowse
Mr. Fowler	Mr. Wienholt
Mr. Gibson	
Mr. Gregory	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. Higgs	Mr. Bowden
Mr. Hill	Mr. Lazzarini

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Requested amendment accordingly not made.

Requested Amendment No. 81 debated.

Requested Amendment, by leave, divided into parts.

Requested amendment as regards sub-items (A) and (B) debated, and made.

Mr. Greene moved, That the requested amendment as regards sub-item (c) be made.

Debate ensued.

Question—put.

10th November, 1921.

The Committee divided—

Ayes, 33.		Noes, 12.	
Mr. Bell	Mr. W. Maloney	Mr. Bamford	Mr. McWilliams
Sir Robert Best	Mr. Marks	Mr. Fowler	Mr. Earle Page
Mr. Blundell	Mr. Mathews	Mr. Gabb	Mr. Wienholt
Mr. Donald Cameron	Mr. Maxwell	Mr. Gibson	
Mr. Austin Chapman	Mr. Parker Moloney	Mr. Gregory	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. Charlton	Mr. Poynton	Mr. Hill	Mr. Bowden
Mr. Corser	Mr. Rodgers	Mr. Hunter	Mr. Prowse
Mr. Fenton	Sir Granville Ryrie		
Mr. R. W. Foster	Mr. Laird Smith		
Mr. Francis	Mr. Watkins		
Mr. Greene	Mr. Watt		
Mr. Groom	Mr. West		
Mr. Higgs	Mr. Wise		
Mr. Jackson			
Mr. Lamond	<i>Tellers:</i>		
Mr. Lazzarini	Mr. Marr		
Mr. Lister	Mr. Story		
Mr. Livingston			

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Requested amendment accordingly made.

Requested Amendment No. 82—

Mr. Greene moved, That the requested amendment be made with the following modifications:—

Paragraph (A) (1) ... After "Plates" add the following:—  
"and flat Films, sensitized".

And

	British Preferential Tariff.	Intermediate Tariff.	General Tariff.
Instead of—			
" or per square foot .. .. .	6½d.	8d.	9½d. "
<i>Read</i> —			
" or per square foot .. .. .	5d.	6½d.	8d. "
Paragraph (A) (2) ... Insert "n.e.i." after "Films"			
And			
<i>Instead of</i> —			
" or per square foot .. .. .	10d.	12d.	14d. "
<i>Read</i> —			
" or per square foot .. .. .	8d.	10d.	12d. "

Paragraph (A) (3) ... Insert semicolon after "n.e.i." and add the following:—  
"Postcards (sensitized with or without letterpress)".

Paragraph (A) (4) ... Omit the following:—  
"Postcards (sensitized with or without letterpress)".

Question—put and passed.

Requested amendment, as so modified, accordingly made.

Requested Amendment No. 83—

Mr. Greene moved, That the requested amendment be made with the following modification:—

Instead of	...	...	...	...	General Tariff.
	...	...	...	...	... "30 per cent."
<i>Read</i> ...	...	...	...	...	... "25 per cent."

Debate ensued.

Question—put and passed.

Requested amendment, as so modified, accordingly made.

Requested Amendment No. 84 made.

Requested Amendment No. 85—

Mr. Greene moved, That the requested amendment be not made.

Debate ensued.

Motion, by leave, temporarily withdrawn.

Mr. Fenton moved, That the requested amendment be made with the following modification:—

Instead of	...	...	...	...	"(E) (1) Coal-getting Explosives,"
*	*	*	*	*	*
<i>Read</i> —	...	...	...	...	"(E) (1) Coal-getting Explosives, wholly or partly the product of coloured labour," * * *

Debate ensued.

Question—put.

10th and 11th November, 1921.

The Committee divided—

Ayes, 18.		Noes, 27.	
Mr. Bayley	Mr. W. Maloney	Mr. Bamford	Mr. Jowett
Mr. Donald Cameron	Mr. Marks	Mr. Bell	Mr. McWilliams
Mr. Corser	Mr. Mathews	Mr. Blundell	Mr. Earle Page
Mr. Fenton	Mr. Maxwell	Mr. Charlton	Mr. Poynton
Mr. Francis	Mr. Parker Moloney	Sir Joseph Cook	Mr. Prowse
Mr. Gabb	Mr. West	Mr. Foley	Mr. Rodgers
Mr. Lazzarini		Mr. R. W. Foster	Sir Granville Ryrie
Mr. Lister	<i>Tellers:</i>	Mr. Fowler	Mr. Laird Smith
Mr. Livingston	Mr. Jackson	Mr. Gibson	Mr. Watkins
Mr. Makin	Mr. Marr	Mr. Greene	Mr. Wise
		Mr. Gregory	
		Mr. Groom	<i>Tellers:</i>
		Mr. Higgs	Mr. Lamond
		Mr. Hill	Mr. Story
		Mr. Hunter	

And so it was negatived.

Modification of requested amendment accordingly not made.

Mr. Greene moved, That the requested amendment be not made.

Question—put and passed.

Requested Amendment No. 86 not made.

Requested Amendment No. 87—

Mr. Greene moved, That the requested amendment be made with the following modifications:—

Sub-item (b)—Insert after “(b)” the word “Superphosphates,”.

Add new sub-item:—

	British Preferential Tariff.	Intermediate Tariff.	General Tariff.
“(C) N.E.I. . . . .	Free	Free	Free”

Debate ensued.

The Committee continuing to sit until after twelve o'clock midnight,

FRIDAY, 11TH NOVEMBER, 1921.

Debate continued.

Question—put.

The Committee divided—

Ayes, 29.		Noes, 10.	
Mr. Bamford	Mr. Lamond	Mr. Atkinson	Mr. Earle Page
Mr. Bayley	Mr. Makin	Mr. Foley	Mr. Prowse
Mr. Bell	Mr. Marks	Mr. Gabb	
Mr. Blundell	Mr. Mathews	Mr. Gibson	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. Donald Cameron	Mr. Poynton	Mr. Hill	Mr. Bowden
Mr. Charlton	Mr. Rodgers	Mr. McWilliams	Mr. Jowett
Sir Joseph Cook	Sir Granville Ryrie		
Mr. Corser	Mr. Laird Smith		
Mr. Fenton	Mr. Watkins		
Mr. Francis	Mr. West		
Mr. Greene	Mr. Wise		
Mr. Groom			
Mr. Hay	<i>Tellers:</i>		
Mr. Higgs	Mr. Marr		
Mr. Hunter	Mr. Story		
Mr. Jackson			

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Requested amendment as so modified accordingly made.

Requested Amendments Nos. 88, 89, and 90 made.

Requested Amendment No. 91—

Mr. Greene moved, That the requested amendment be modified by amending the item to read “1924” instead of “1925”, and that the following words be added at the end of sub-item (b) (second time occurring):—

“, excepting vessels exceeding 500 tons gross register ordered before the 11th November, 1921”.

Debate ensued.

11th November, 1921.

And the motion having, by leave, been amended to read, That the requested amendment be modified by amending the sub-item to read "1st July, 1923" instead of "1st January, 1925"; and that the following words be added at the end of sub-item (B) (second time occurring):—"excepting vessels exceeding 500 tons gross register ordered before the 11th October, 1921"—

Question—That the requested amendment be made with the proposed modification—put.

The Committee divided—

Ayes, 33.		Noes, 3.
Mr. Bayley	Mr. Lamond	Mr. Atkinson
Mr. Bell	Mr. Livingston	
Mr. Blundell	Mr. Makin	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. Bowden	Mr. Marks	Mr. McWilliams
Mr. Donald Cameron	Mr. Mathews	Mr. Prowse
Mr. Charlton	Mr. Earle Page	
Sir Joseph Cook	Mr. Poynton	
Mr. Corser	Mr. Rodgers	
Mr. Fenton	Sir Granville Ryrie	
Mr. Foley	Mr. Laird Smith	
Mr. Fowler	Mr. Watkins	
Mr. Francis	Mr. West	
Mr. Greene	Mr. Wise	
Mr. Groom		
Mr. Hay		
Mr. Higgs	<i>Tellers:</i>	
Mr. Jackson	Mr. Marr	
Mr. Jowett	Mr. Story	

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Requested amendment, as so modified, accordingly made.

Requested Amendment No. 92—

Mr. Greene moved, That the requested amendment be made with the following modification:—

Instead of—"on and after 1st November, 1921".

*Read*—"on and after 1st January, 1922".

Question—put and passed.

Requested amendment, as so modified, accordingly made.

Resolutions to be reported.

The House resumed; Mr. Watkins reported accordingly.

Mr. Greené moved, That the Senate's requested amendments be now recommitted to a Committee of the whole House for the reconsideration of No. 56.

Question—put and passed.

Mr. Deputy-Speaker left the Chair, and the House again resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole.

(In the Committee.)

*On recommital*—

Requested Amendment No. 56—

Mr. Greene again moved, That the requested amendment be not made.

Question—put.

The Committee divided—

Ayes, 27.		Noes, 7.
Mr. Bayley	Mr. Lamond	Mr. R. W. Foster
Mr. Bell	Mr. Livingston	Mr. Gibson
Mr. Blundell	Mr. Makin	Mr. Jowett
Mr. Bowden	Mr. Marks	Mr. Earle Page
Mr. Donald Cameron	Mr. Poynton	Mr. Prowse
Mr. Charlton	Mr. Rodgers	
Sir Joseph Cook	Sir Granville Ryrie	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. Corser	Mr. Laird Smith	Mr. Foley
Mr. Fenton	Mr. West	Mr. McWilliams
Mr. Francis	Mr. Wise	
Mr. Greene		
Mr. Groom	<i>Tellers:</i>	
Mr. Hay	Mr. Marr	
Mr. Higgs	Mr. Story	
Mr. Jackson		

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Requested amendment accordingly not made.

11th November, 1921.

Resolutions to be further reported.

The House resumed ; Mr. Watkins reported accordingly.  
On the motion of Mr. Greene, the House adopted the Reports.  
Ordered—That the Bill, amended accordingly, be returned to the Senate.

5. EXCISE TARIFF BILL (1921).—SENATE'S REQUEST.—The Order of the Day having been read for the consideration in Committee of the whole House of the amendment requested by the Senate—Mr. Deputy-Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole.

(In the Committee.)

The Committee proceeded to consider the amendment requested by the Senate, which is as follows :—

SCHEDULE SHOWING REQUEST MADE BY THE SENATE FOR AN AMENDMENT IN THE EXCISE TARIFF 1921.

Articles.	Duty passed by House of Representatives.	Alteration of Duty Requested by Senate.
No. 1.—Page 5—		
Item 4. Saccharin and other similar substitutes for sugar ... .. per lb.	20s.	
<i>Amend Item to make it—</i>		
(A) Saccharin n.e.i., and other similar substitutes for sugar ... .. per lb.	...	20s.
(B) Saccharin for use in Public Hospitals, as prescribed by Departmental By-laws .. ..	...	Free.

NOTE.—Black type denotes requested insertions or alterations.

Mr. Greene moved, That the requested amendment be made.  
Question—put and passed.  
Resolution to be reported.

The House resumed ; Mr. Watkins reported accordingly.  
On the motion of Mr. Greene, the House adopted the Report.  
Ordered—That the Bill, amended accordingly, be returned to the Senate.

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

MR. SPEAKER,

Message No. 95.

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, 10th November, 1921.

THOMAS J. K. BAKHAP,  
Deputy President.

7. ADDITIONAL DAY AND ALTERATION OF HOUR OF MEETING.—Sir Joseph Cook moved, by leave, That, unless otherwise ordered, the House shall sit on each Tuesday at three o'clock p.m. ; on each Wednesday and Thursday at half-past two o'clock p.m. ; and on each Friday at eleven o'clock a.m.  
Question—put and passed.

8. ALTERATION OF HOUR OF NEXT MEETING.—Sir Joseph Cook moved, That the House, at its rising, adjourn until noon this day.  
Question—put and passed.

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

And then the House, at eight minutes to six o'clock in the morning, adjourned until twelve o'clock noon this day.

MEMBERS PRESENT.—All Members were present (at some time during the sitting) except—Mr. Burchell, Mr. J. H. Catts, Mr. Robert Cook, Mr. Cunningham, Mr. Lambert, Mr. McDonald, Mr. McGrath, Mr. Nicholls, and \*Mr. Tudor.

\* On leave.

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