

THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA.

No. 196.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS  
OF THE  
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

WEDNESDAY, 23RD 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. PAPERS.—The following Papers were presented, pursuant to Statute—  
New Guinea Act—Ordinances of 1921—  
No. 21—Native Administration.  
No. 22—Stamp Duties.
3. LOAN APPROPRIATION BILL [£8,370,406].—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 resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole:

(In the Committee.)

Schedule—

Vote—"Under Control of Prime Minister's Department £249,008"—

Debate resumed.

Mr. Charlton moved, That the Item "Immigration—Passage money of assisted immigrants £162,000" be omitted from the Vote.

Debate ensued.

Question—put.

The Committee divided—

Ayes, 11.

Mr. Blakeley	Mr. West
Mr. Charlton	Mr. Wienholt
Mr. Gabb	
Mr. Lavelle	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. Lazzarini	
Mr. Mahony	Mr. Cunningham
Mr. Watkins	Mr. Riley

Noes, 35.

Mr. Atkinson	Mr. Jowett
Mr. Bayley	Mr. Lister
Mr. Bell	Mr. Mackay
Mr. Blundell	Mr. Marks
Mr. Bowden	Mr. Maxwell
Mr. Bruce	Mr. McWilliams
Mr. Donald Cameron	Mr. Earle Page
Mr. Austin Chapman	Mr. Poynton
Mr. Robert Cook	Mr. Prowse
Mr. Corser	Mr. Rodgers
Mr. Foley	Sir Granville Ryrie
Mr. R. W. Foster	Mr. Laird Smith
Mr. Francis	Mr. Stewart
Mr. Greene	Mr. Wise
Mr. Groom	
Mr. Hay	
Mr. Higgs	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. Hill	Mr. Marr
Mr. Jackson	Mr. Story

And so it was negatived."

Vote agreed to.

Vote—"Under Control of Department of the Treasury £3,369,630" agreed to.

Vote—"Under Control of Home and Territories Department £78,472"—

Debate ensued.

Vote agreed to.

Vote—"Under Control of Department of the Navy £9,384" agreed to.

Vote—"Under Control of Department of Trade and Customs £10,404" agreed to.

Vote—"Under Control of Department of Works and Railways £1,099,245"—

Debate ensued.

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Mr. Atkinson moved that the Item—"Federal Capital at Canberra—Towards cost of establishment £200,000" be omitted from the Vote.  
Debate ensued.

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

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Debate continued.

Question—put.

The Committee divided—

Ayes, 12.		Noes, 27.	
Mr. Atkinson	Mr. Maxwell	Mr. Bayley	Mr. Lazzarini
Mr. Bruce	Mr. Prowse	Mr. Blakeley	Mr. Mahony
Mr. Robert Cook	Mr. Wienholt	Mr. Blundell	Mr. Marks
Mr. Francis		Mr. Bowden	Mr. Poynton
Mr. Hill	<i>Tellers:</i>	Mr. Austin Chapman	Mr. Rodgers
Mr. Jowett	Mr. Bell	Mr. Charlton	Sir Granville Ryrie
Mr. Lister	Mr. Jackson	Mr. Corser	Mr. Laird Smith
		Mr. Cunningham	Mr. Watkins
		Mr. Foley	Mr. West
		Mr. Greene	Mr. Wise
		Mr. Groom	
		Mr. Hay	<i>Tellers:</i>
		Mr. Higgs	Mr. Marr
		Mr. Lamond	Mr. Story
		Mr. Lavelle	

And so it was negatived.

Debate on Vote continued.

Mr. McWilliams moved, That the Vote be reduced by £50,000.

Debate ensued.

Question—put.

The Committee divided—

Ayes, 11.		Noes, 22.	
Mr. Atkinson	Mr. Prowse	Mr. Bell	Mr. Jackson
Mr. Bayley	Mr. Wienholt	Mr. Blundell	Mr. Lamond
Mr. Charlton		Mr. Bowden	Mr. Marks
Mr. Robert Cook	<i>Tellers:</i>	Mr. Bruce	Mr. Poynton
Mr. Hill	Mr. Lavelle	Mr. Austin Chapman	Mr. Rodgers
Mr. Jowett	Mr. Stewart	Mr. Corser	Sir Granville Ryrie
Mr. McWilliams		Mr. Foley	Mr. Laird Smith
		Mr. R. W. Foster	Mr. Wise
		Mr. Greene	<i>Tellers:</i>
		Mr. Groom	Mr. Marr
		Mr. Hay	Mr. Story
		Mr. Higgs	

And so it was negatived.

Vote agreed to.

Vote—"Under Control of Postmaster-General's Department £554,263" agreed to.

Vote—"Redemption of Treasury Bills, raised out of Trust Fund, for Works £3,000,000" agreed to.

Postponed clause 2 agreed to.

Title agreed to.

Bill to be reported without amendment.

The House resumed; Mr. Watkins reported accordingly.

On the motion of Mr. Groom, the House adopted the Report and, the Standing Orders having previously been suspended (see page 785 *ante*)—

Bill read a third time.

4. ADJOURNMENT.—Mr. Groom moved, That the House do now adjourn.  
Question—put and passed.

And then the House, at fourteen minutes past two o'clock in the morning adjourned until this day at half-past two o'clock p.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT.—All Members were present (at some time during the sitting) except—Mr. Burchell, Mr. J. H. Catts, Mr. Gibson, Mr. Lambert, Mr. Makin, Mr. Mathews, Mr. Nicholls, and Mr. Tudor.

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