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THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA.

No. 203.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

MONDAY, 5TH DECEMBER, 1921.

1. The House met, at three o'clock p.m., pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair, and read Prayers.

2. JOINT COMMITTEE OF PUBLIC ACCOUNTS—REPORT.—Mr. Fowler, Chairman of the Joint Committee of Public Accounts, brought up the following Fourth Progress Report from the Committee :—

War Service Homes Commission (Queensland).

Ordered to be printed.

3. MESSAGE FROM THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL.—LOANS REDEMPTION AND CONVERSION BILL.—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor-General was presented, and the same was read by Mr. Speaker :—

FORSTER,

Governor-General.

Message No. 69.

In accordance with the requirements of section fifty-six of the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Australia, the Governor-General recommends to the House of Representatives that an appropriation of revenue be made for the purposes of a Bill for an Act to authorize the paying off, re-purchasing, redeeming and converting of loans and for other purposes.

Melbourne, 14th November, 1921.

Ordered—That the consideration of the foregoing Message in Committee of the whole House be made an Order of the Day for a later hour this day.

4. MESSAGE FROM THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL.—LOAN BILL (No. 2) (1921) [£4,500,000].—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor-General was presented, and the same was read by Mr. Speaker :—

FORSTER,

Governor-General.

Message No. 70.

In accordance with the requirements of section fifty-six of the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Australia, the Governor-General recommends to the House of Representatives that an appropriation of revenue be made for the purposes of a Bill for an Act to authorize the raising of the sum of Four million five hundred thousand pounds for certain purposes.

Melbourne, 1st December, 1921.

Ordered—That the consideration of the foregoing Message in Committee of the whole House be made an Order of the Day for a later hour this day.

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5th December, 1921.

5. MESSAGE FROM THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL.—INVALID AND OLD-AGE PENSIONS APPROPRIATION BILL (1921).—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor-General was presented, and the same was read by Mr. Speaker :—

FORSTER,
Governor-General.

Message No. 71.

In accordance with the requirements of section fifty-six of the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Australia, the Governor-General recommends to the House of Representatives that an appropriation of revenue be made for the purposes of a Bill for an Act to grant and apply out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund a sum for Invalid and Old-age Pensions.

Melbourne, 16th November, 1921.

Ordered—That the consideration of the foregoing Message in Committee of the whole House be made an Order of the Day for a later hour this day.

6. MESSAGE FROM THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL.—FUNDING ARRANGEMENTS BILL.—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor-General was presented, and the same was read by Mr. Speaker :—

FORSTER,
Governor-General.

Message No. 72.

In accordance with the requirements of section fifty-six of the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Australia, the Governor-General recommends to the House of Representatives that an appropriation of revenue be made for the purposes of a Bill for an Act to approve the Agreement made between the Government of the United Kingdom and the Commonwealth of Australia in relation to the repayment of the War indebtedness of the Commonwealth and for other purposes.

Melbourne, 6th October, 1921.

Ordered—That the consideration of the foregoing Message in Committee of the whole House be made an Order of the Day for a later hour this day.

7. MESSAGES FROM THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL.—SUPPLEMENTARY ESTIMATES AND SUPPLEMENTARY ESTIMATES FOR WORKS AND BUILDINGS, 1919-20 AND 1920-21.—The following Messages from His Excellency the Governor-General were presented, and the same were read by Mr. Speaker :—

FORSTER,
Governor-General.

Message No. 73.

In accordance with the requirements of section fifty-six of the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Australia, the Governor-General transmits to the House of Representatives Supplementary Estimates of Expenditure for Additions, New Works, Buildings, &c., for the year ended the thirtieth day of June, One thousand nine hundred and twenty, and recommends an appropriation of the Consolidated Revenue Fund accordingly.

Melbourne, 5th November, 1921.

FORSTER,
Governor-General.

Message No. 74.

In accordance with the requirements of section fifty-six of the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Australia, the Governor-General transmits to the House of Representatives Supplementary Estimates of Expenditure for the year ended the thirtieth day of June One thousand nine hundred and twenty, and recommends an appropriation of the Consolidated Revenue Fund accordingly.

Melbourne, 5th November, 1921.

FORSTER,
Governor-General.

Message No. 75.

In accordance with the requirements of section fifty-six of the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Australia, the Governor-General transmits to the House of Representatives Supplementary Estimates of Expenditure for Additions, New Works, Buildings, &c., for the year ended the thirtieth day of June, One thousand nine hundred and twenty-one, and recommends an appropriation of the Consolidated Revenue Fund accordingly.

Melbourne, 26th November, 1921.

FORSTER,
Governor-General.

Message No. 76.

In accordance with the requirements of section fifty-six of the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Australia, the Governor-General transmits to the House of Representatives Supplementary Estimates of Expenditure for the year ended the thirtieth day of June, One thousand nine hundred and twenty-one, and recommends an appropriation of the Consolidated Revenue Fund accordingly.

Melbourne, 26th November, 1921.

Severally ordered to lie on the Table, and, together with the accompanying Estimates, to be printed and referred to the Committee of Supply.

5th December, 1921.

8. PAPER.—The following Paper was presented, pursuant to Statute—
 War Service Homes Act—Land acquired under, in New South Wales, at Double Bay.
9. PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE BILL (1921).—Mr Groom moved, pursuant to notice, That he have leave to bring in a Bill for an Act to amend section fifteen of the *Commonwealth Public Works Committee Act 1913-1914*.
 Question—put and passed.
 Mr. Groom brought up the Bill accordingly, and moved, That it be now read a first time.
 Question—put and passed.—Bill read a first time.
 Ordered—That the second reading be made an Order of the Day for to-morrow.
10. TREATY OF PEACE (HUNGARY) BILL.—Mr. Greene moved, pursuant to notice, That he have leave to bring in a Bill for an Act to carry into effect the Treaty of Peace with Hungary.
 Question—put and passed.
 Mr. Greene brought up the Bill accordingly, and moved, That it be now read a first time.
 Question—put and passed.—Bill read a first time.
 Ordered—That the second reading be made an Order of the Day for to-morrow.
11. CUSTOMS TARIFF BILL (1921)—SENATE'S REQUESTS.—Mr. Greene moved, by leave, That, having regard to the fact that the public welfare demands the early enactment of the Tariff, and pending the adoption of Joint Standing Orders, this House refrains from the determination of its constitutional rights or obligations in respect of Message No. 97 received from the Senate in reference to the Customs Tariff Bill (1921), and resolves to consider it forthwith.

Debate ensued.

The time arriving for the calling on of the Orders of the Day under Standing Order No. 119—

Ordered—That the time for the debate be extended.

Debate continued.

Question—put.

The House divided—

Ayes, 33.

Noes, 10.

Mr. Atkinson	Mr. Jackson	Mr. Anstey	Mr. Parker Moloney
Mr. Bamford	Mr. Lister	Mr. Brennan	Mr. Watkins
Mr. Bayley	Mr. Livingston	Mr. Charlton	
Mr. Bell	Mr. Marks	Mr. Lamond	<i>Tellers:</i>
Sir Robert Best	Mr. Maxwell	Mr. W. Maloney	Mr. Bowden
Mr. Donald Cameron	Mr. McWilliams	Mr. Mathews	Mr. Fenton
Mr. Chanter	Mr. Earle Page		
Mr. Robert Cook	Mr. Poynton		
Mr. Corser	Mr. Prowse		
Mr. Fleming	Mr. Rodgers		
Mr. Foley	Sir Granville Ryrie		
Mr. R. W. Foster	Mr. Laird Smith		
Mr. Gibson	Mr. Watt		
Mr. Greene			
Mr. Gregory	<i>Tellers:</i>		
Mr. Hay			
Mr. Higgs	Mr. Mackay		
Mr. Hill	Mr. Story		

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered—That the foregoing Resolution be incorporated in the Message when the Bill is returned to the Senate.

12. CUSTOMS TARIFF BILL (1921)—SENATE'S MESSAGE NO. 97—The Order of the Day having been read for the resumption of the debate on the following motion of Mr. Greene—That the consideration, in Committee of the whole House, of the Senate's Message No. 97 (returning the Customs Tariff) be made an Order of the Day for this day—

Question—put and passed.

13. CUSTOMS TARIFF BILL (1921)—SENATE'S MESSAGE NO. 97—The Order of the Day having been read for the consideration, in Committee of the whole House, of the Senate's Message No. 97—

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

5th December, 1921.

(In the Committee.)

The Committee proceeded to consider the Schedules accompanying Senate Message No. 97, which are as follow :—

No. 1.—SCHEDULE SHOWING ORIGINAL REQUESTED AMENDMENTS OF THE SENATE WHICH THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES HAS NOT MADE, AND WHICH THE SENATE AGAIN REQUESTS THE HOUSE TO MAKE.

NOTE.—Erased type denotes requested omissions, black type requested insertions or alterations.

Senate Request No. and Tariff Items.	Duty Passed by House of Representatives.			Alteration of Duty Requested by Senate.			Requested Amendment—how dealt with by House of Representatives.
	British Preferential Tariff.	Intermediate Tariff.	General Tariff.	British Preferential Tariff.	Intermediate Tariff.	General Tariff.	
No. 11.—Page 12— Item 52. Fruits, Fresh, viz. :— (A) Bananas * * * * * And on and after 19th May, 1921 per lb.	1d.	1d.	1d.	½d.	½d.	½d.	<i>Not made.</i>
No. 31.—Page 26— Item 158. Wire Netting - - - - - per ton	68s.	85s.	105s.	55s.	75s.	95s.	<i>Not made.</i>
No. 32.—Page 26— * * * * * And on and after 11th June, 1921 Item 159. * * * * * (B) Wire, Iron and Steel, for use in the manufacture of Barbed Wire and Wire Netting as prescribed by Departmental By-laws per ton	52s.	72s. 6d.	90s.	44s.	..	..	<i>Not made.</i>

5th December, 1921.

No. 1.—SCHEDULE—continued.

Senate Request No. and Tariff Items.	Duty Passed by House of Representatives.			Alteration of Duty Requested by Senate.			Requested Amendment—how dealt with by House of Representatives.
	British Preferential Tariff.	Intermediate Tariff.	General Tariff.	British Preferential Tariff.	Intermediate Tariff.	General Tariff.	
<p>No. 33.—Page 26— Item 161. Agricultural, Horticultural, and Viticultural Machinery and Implements, n.e.i.; including Cane Loaders and Unloaders and Cane Harvesters; Channel-making Graders; Garden and Field Spraying Machines; Garden and Field Rollers; Garden Hose Reels; Garden Syringes; Horse Road Rollers and Machines; Lawn Mowers Sweepers and Sprinklers; Road Scoops and Scrapers; Scoops; Stump Extractors; Fibre Scutching Machines; Milking Machines; Potato Raisers or Diggers; Potato Sorters; Root Cutters Pulpers and Graters; Straw Stackers; and Sub-surface Packers - - - - - ad val.</p>	22½ per cent.	30 per cent.	35 per cent.	15 per cent.	25 per cent.	30 per cent.	Not made.
<p>No. 34.—Page 26— Item 162. Chaffcutters and Horse Gears; Corn Shellers; Corn Huskers; Cultivators n.e.i.; Harrows; Ploughs other; Plough Shares; Plough Mouldboards; Scarifiers - - - ad val.</p>	22½ per cent.	30 per cent.	35 per cent.	15 per cent.	25 per cent.	30 per cent.	Not made.
<p>No. 56.—Page 42— Item 281. Drugs and Chemicals, viz.:— * * * * * (A) Arsenic, Arsenious Chloride, Arsenic Sulphide, Arsenates of Calcium, Lead and Soda, Arsenites of Soda and Zinc - ad val. Make the duty on— Arsenate of Lead - - - - - ad val.</p>	25 per cent.	25 per cent.	35 per cent.	10 per cent.	15 per cent.	20 per cent.	Not made

No. 1.—SCHEDULE—continued.

Senate Request No. and Tariff Items.	Duty Passed by House of Representatives.			Alteration of Duty Requested by Senate.			Requested Amendment—how dealt with by House of Representatives.
	British Preferential Tariff.	Intermediate Tariff.	General Tariff.	British Preferential Tariff.	Intermediate Tariff.	General Tariff.	
No. 85.—Page 63— Item 397. Explosives, viz. :— * * * * * (E) Explosives, n.e.i. - - - - - ad val.	Free	5 per cent.	5 per cent.				
<i>Assend sub-item to make it—</i> (E) (1) Coal-getting Explosives, being those explosives named and specified in any Permitted List approved by the Department - - - - - ad val. (2) Explosives, n.e.i. - - - - - ad val.	.. ..	.. ..	.. ..	15 per cent. Free	20 per cent. 10 per cent.	25 per cent. 15 per cent.	} <i>Not made.</i>

5th December, 1921.

No. 2.—SCHEDULE SHOWING HOW THE SENATE HAS DEALT WITH CERTAIN OF ITS ORIGINAL REQUESTS FOR AMENDMENTS, WHICH AMENDMENTS HAVE NOT BEEN MADE OR HAVE BEEN MADE WITH MODIFICATIONS BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

NOTE.—Erased type denotes requested omissions, black type requested insertions or alterations.

Senate Request No. and Tariff Items.	Duty Passed by House of Representatives.			Alteration of Duty Requested by Senate.			Requested Amendment—how dealt with by House of Representatives.
	British Preferential Tariff.	Intermediate Tariff.	General Tariff.	British Preferential Tariff.	Intermediate Tariff.	General Tariff.	
No. 26.—Page 23— Item 136. Iron and Steel— * * * * *							
And on and after 9th July, 1921							
(E) (1) Wire of No. 16 or finer gauge ad val.	25 per cent.	30 per cent.	35 per cent.	20 per cent.	..	..	As shown in the paragraph which follows Item.
(2) Wire, other per ton	52s.	72s. 6d.	90s.	44s.	..	..

Requested Amendment made by the House of Representatives with the following modification :—

Sub-item (E) (thrice occurring) omitted, and the following inserted :—

(E) Wire—on and after 25th March, 1920	per ton	52s.	72s. 6d.	90s.
(E) (1) Wire of No. 16 or finer gauge ad val.		25 per cent.	30 per cent.	35 per cent.
(2) Wire, other per ton		52s.	72s. 6d.	90s.
(E) (1) Wire of No. 16 or finer gauge ad val.		20 per cent.	30 per cent.	35 per cent.
(2) Wire, other per ton		52s.	72s. 6d.	90s.

HOW DEALT WITH BY SENATE—
Modification not agreed to.
Request for amendment pressed as originally made.

5th December, 1921.

No. 2.—SCHEDULE—continued.

Senate Request No. and Tariff Items.	Duty Passed by House of Representatives.			Alteration of Duty Requested by Senate.			Requested Amendment—how dealt with by House of Representatives.
	British Preferential Tariff.	Intermediate Tariff.	General Tariff.	British Preferential Tariff.	Intermediate Tariff.	General Tariff.	
<p>No. 41.—Page 28— Item 171. * Machinery, Machines, and Appliances:— * * * * *</p> <p>(D) Metal Parts n.e.i. of Hay Rakes (Horse), Reapers and Binders, and Mowers - * * * And on and after 1st January, 1921 per lb.</p> <p>or ad val. whichever rate returns the higher duty <i>Amend sub-item to make—</i></p> <p>On and after 1st July, 1921 Metal Parts n.e.i. of Hay Rakes (Horse) and Mowers - per lb. or ad val. whichever rate returns the higher duty</p>	<p>1½d.</p> <p>2½d.; and on and after 16th June, 1921, 2d.</p> <p>30 per cent. 40 per cent. 45 per cent.</p> <p>.. ..</p>	<p>2½d.; and on and after 16th June, 1921, 2d.</p> <p>40 per cent. 45 per cent.</p> <p>.. ..</p>	<p>.. ..</p> <p>.. ..</p>	<p>1½d.</p> <p>30 per cent. 40 per cent. 45 per cent.</p>	<p>2d.</p> <p>2d.</p>	<p>2d.</p> <p>45 per cent.</p>	<p>As shown in the paragraph which follows Item.</p>
<p><i>Requested amendment made by the House of Representatives with the following modification:—</i></p> <p>Sub-item (D) omitted and the following inserted:—</p> <p>(D) Metal Parts, n.e.i., of— (1) Reapers and Binders—on and after 25th March, 1920 - ad val. And on and after 1st January, 1921 per lb.</p> <p>whichever rate returns the higher duty</p> <p>(2) Hay Rakes (Horse) and Mowers—on and after 25th March, 1920 ad val. And on and after 1st July, 1921 per lb. whichever rate returns the higher duty</p>	<p>Free</p> <p>1½d.</p> <p>30 per cent.</p>	<p>5 per cent.</p> <p>2½d.; and on and after 16th June, 1921, 2d.</p> <p>40 per cent. 45 per cent.</p>	<p>10 per cent.</p> <p>2½d.; and on and after 16th June, 1921, 2d.</p> <p>45 per cent.</p>	<p>.. ..</p>	<p>.. ..</p>	<p>.. ..</p>	<p>.. ..</p>

HOW DEALT WITH BY SENATE—
Modification agreed to, provided sub-item (E) of the Item be amended by omitting the words "Hay Rakes (Horse)".

No. 24—SCHEDULE—continued.

Senate Request No. and Tariff Items.	Duty Passed by House of Representatives.			Alteration of Duty Requested by Senate.			Requested Amendment—how dealt with by House of Representatives.
	British Preferential Tariff.	Intermediate Tariff.	General Tariff.	British Preferential Tariff.	Intermediate Tariff.	General Tariff.	
No. 43.—Page 29— Item 179. Electrical Machines and Appliances:—							
(A) Electric Heating and Cooking Appliances ad val.							
(B) Electric Fittings consisting wholly or partly of metal, viz.:—Switches, Fuses, and Lightning Arresters, n.e.i. - ad val.	30 per cent.	35 per cent.	40 per cent.	25 per cent.	..	..	} <i>Not made.</i>
(C) Regulating, Starting, and Controlling Apparatus, for all electrical purposes, including Distributing Boards and Switchboards, n.e.i. - ad val. *	30 per cent.	35 per cent.	40 per cent.	25 per cent.	..	..
(D) Dynamo Electric Machines; Static Transformers and Induction Coils for all purposes, unless otherwise expressly provided for; Electric Fans - ad val.	30 per cent.	35 per cent.	40 per cent.	25 per cent.	..	..

HOW DEALT WITH BY SENATE—

Request to make duty under the British Preferential Tariff 25 per cent. on sub-items (A), (B), (C), and (D) *not pressed*, but Make the duty under the British Preferential Tariff 27½ per cent. on each of such sub-items.

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No. 2.—SCHEDULE—continued.

Senate Request No. and Tariff Items.	Duty Passed by House of Representatives.			Alteration of Duty Requested by Senate.			Requested Amendment—how dealt with by House of Representatives.
	British Preferential Tariff.	Intermediate Tariff.	General Tariff.	British Preferential Tariff.	Intermediate Tariff.	General Tariff.	
<p>No. 82.—Page 62— Item 384. (A) Lantern Slides; Photographic Dry Plates; Photographic Sensitized Films; Photographic Sensitized Papers, n.e.i., Linen, or other material; Photographic Backgrounds (mounted or unmounted); Photographs of Australian subjects; Postcards (sensitized with or without letterpress); Stereoscopic Views - ad val.</p> <p><i>Amend sub-item to make it—</i></p> <p>(A) (1) Photographic and X-Ray Dry Plates ad val. or per square foot whichever rate returns the higher duty</p> <p>(2) Photographic Sensitized Films ad val. or per square foot whichever rate returns the higher duty</p> <p>(3) Photographic Sensitized Papers and Cards also Linen and other Sensitized Materials, n.e.i. ad val. or per square foot whichever rate returns the higher duty</p> <p>(4) Lantern Slides; Photographic Backgrounds (mounted or unmounted); Photographs of Australian subjects; Postcards (sensitized with or without letterpress); Stereoscopic Views ad val.</p>	25 per cent.	30 per cent.	35 per cent.	25 per cent. 6½d.	30 per cent. 8d.	35 per cent. 9½d.	<p>Made with the following modifications:— Paragraph (A) (1)—After "Plates" the words "and flat Films, sensitized" inserted; and the fixed duties made—5d. British Preferential Tariff, 6½d. Intermediate Tariff, 8d. General Tariff. Paragraph (A) (2)—After "Films" the letters "n.e.i." inserted; and the fixed duties made—8d. British Preferential Tariff, 10d. Intermediate Tariff, 12d. General Tariff. Paragraph (A) (3)—After "n.e.i." a semi-colon and the words "Postcards (sensitized with or without letterpress)" inserted. Paragraph (A) (4)—The words "Postcards (sensitized with or without letterpress)" omitted.</p>
<p>HOW DEALT WITH BY SENATE— Modifications agreed to, provided the following paragraph be added after paragraph (4), viz.— (5) Sensitized Blue Print and Heliographic Papers and Fabrics— On and after 11th November, 1921 ad val.</p>	..	..	..	25 per cent. 1d.	30 per cent. 1½d.	35 per cent. 1½d.	25 per cent.
	..	..	..	25 per cent.	30 per cent.	35 per cent.	25 per cent. 30 per cent. 35 per cent.

HOW DEALT WITH BY SENATE—

Modifications agreed to, provided the following paragraph be added after paragraph (4), viz.—

- (5) Sensitized Blue Print and Heliographic Papers and Fabrics—
On and after 11th November, 1921
ad val.

25 per cent. 30 per cent. 35 per cent.

No. 2.—SCHEDULE—continued.

Senate Request No. and Tariff Items.	Duty Passed by House of Representatives.			Alteration of Duty Requested by Senate.			Requested Amendment—how dealt with by House of Representatives.
	British Preferential Tariff.	Intermediate Tariff.	General Tariff.	British Preferential Tariff.	Intermediate Tariff.	General Tariff.	
<p>No. 91.—Page 68— Item 424. Vessels, including all fittings imported therewith, viz. :—</p> <p>* * * * *</p> <p>(B) Vessels, n.e.i., not exceeding 500 tons gross register, trading Intra-state or Inter-state, or otherwise employed in Australian waters for any continuous period of three months - - - - - ad val.</p> <p>And on and after 1st January, 1922</p> <p>(B) Vessels, n.e.i., trading Intra-state or Inter-state, or otherwise employed in Australian waters for any continuous period of three months - - - - - ad val.</p>							<p>Made with the following modifications :— Sub-item (B) (second occurring)—The date made—And on and after 1st July, 1923; and after the word “months” the following inserted—“; excepting vessels exceeding 500 tons gross register ordered before the 11th October, 1921”; [As a consequential amendment, the date in sub-item (F) paragraph (2) will now read 30th June, 1923, instead of 31st December, 1922].</p>
	25 per cent.	30 per cent.	35 per cent.				
	25 per cent.	30 per cent.	35 per cent.				

HOW DEALT WITH BY SENATE.

Modifications not agreed to.
Request for amendment pressed as originally made.

5th December, 1921.

Requested Amendment No. 11—

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

Question—put.

The Committee divided—

Ayes, 27.		Noes, 15.	
Mr. Anstey	Mr. W. Maloney	Sir Robert Best	Mr. Jowett
Mr. Bamford	Mr. Marks	Mr. Brennan	Mr. Maxwell
Mr. Bayley	Mr. Mathews	Mr. Robert Cook	Mr. McWilliams
Mr. Bell	Mr. Parker Moloney	Mr. Fleming	Mr. Watt
Mr. Donald Cameron	Mr. Earle Page	Mr. Foley	
Mr. Charlton	Mr. Poynton	Mr. R. W. Foster	
Mr. Corser	Mr. Rodgers	Mr. Gibson	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. Fenton	Sir Granville Ryrie	Mr. Gregory	Mr. Bowden
Mr. Greene	Mr. Laird Smith	Mr. Hill	Mr. Prowse
Mr. Hay	Mr. Watkins		
Mr. Higgs			
Mr. Jackson	<i>Tellers:</i>		
Mr. Lamond			
Mr. Lister	Mr. Mackay		
Mr. Livingston	Mr. Story		

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Requested amendment accordingly not made.

Requested Amendment No. 31—

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

Question—put.

The Committee divided—

Ayes, 26.		Noes, 16.	
Mr. Anstey	Mr. Marks	Mr. Bell	Mr. Hill
Mr. Bamford	Mr. Mathews	Mr. Brennan	Mr. Jowett
Sir Robert Best	Mr. Maxwell	Mr. Donald Cameron	Mr. McWilliams
Mr. Charlton	Mr. Parker Moloney	Mr. Robert Cook	Mr. Earle Page
Mr. Corser	Mr. Poynton	Mr. Fleming	Mr. Prowse
Mr. Fenton	Mr. Rodgers	Mr. Foley	
Mr. Greene	Sir Granville Ryrie	Mr. R. W. Foster	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. Hay	Mr. Laird Smith	Mr. Gibson	Mr. Atkinson
Mr. Higgs	Mr. Watkins	Mr. Gregory	Mr. Bowden
Mr. Jackson	Mr. Watt		
Mr. Lamond			
Mr. Lister	<i>Tellers:</i>		
Mr. Livingston	Mr. Mackay		
Mr. W. Maloney	Mr. Story		

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Requested amendment accordingly not made.

Requested Amendment No. 32—

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

Question—put.

The Committee divided—

Ayes, 25.		Noes, 17.	
Mr. Anstey	Mr. Mathews	Mr. Bell	Mr. Jowett
Mr. Bamford	Mr. Maxwell	Mr. Brennan	Mr. Livingston
Sir Robert Best	Mr. Parker Moloney	Mr. Donald Cameron	Mr. McWilliams
Mr. Charlton	Mr. Poynton	Mr. Robert Cook	Mr. Earle Page
Mr. Corser	Mr. Rodgers	Mr. Fleming	Mr. Prowse
Mr. Fenton	Sir Granville Ryrie	Mr. Foley	
Mr. Greene	Mr. Laird Smith	Mr. R. W. Foster	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. Hay	Mr. Watkins	Mr. Gibson	Mr. Atkinson
Mr. Higgs	Mr. Watt	Mr. Gregory	Mr. Bowden
Mr. Jackson		Mr. Hill	
Mr. Lamond	<i>Tellers:</i>		
Mr. Lister			
Mr. W. Maloney	Mr. Mackay		
Mr. Marks	Mr. Story		

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Requested amendment accordingly not made.

Requested Amendment No. 33—

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

						British Preferential Tariff.
Instead of	...	...	...	...	...	" 15 per cent."
Read	...	...	...	...	...	" 20 per cent."

Question—put and passed.

Requested Amendment, as so modified, accordingly made.

Requested Amendment No. 34—

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

							British Preferential Tariff.
Instead of	...	...	...	...	...	...	"15 per cent."
<i>Read</i>	...	...	...	...	...	...	"20 per cent."

Question—put and passed.

Requested amendment, as so modified, accordingly made.

Requested Amendment No. 56 debated and now made.

Requested Amendment No. 85—

Mr. Fenton moved, That the requested amendment be now made with the following modification:—
After the word "Department," in paragraph (1), insert the following:—

		British Preferential Tariff.	Intermediate Tariff.	General Tariff.
"(a) the product of white labour	.. ad val.	Free	5 per cent.	5 per cent.
(b) the product of coloured labour	.. ad val.	15 per cent.	20 per cent.	25 per cent."

Debate ensued.

Question—put.

The Committee divided—

Ayes, 17.

Mr. Atkinson	Mr. W. Maloney
Mr. Bamford	Mr. Marks
Sir Robert Best	Mr. Mathews
Mr. Brennan	Mr. Maxwell
Mr. Donald Cameron	Mr. Parker Moloney
Mr. Corser	
Mr. Fenton	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. Francis	Mr. Anstey
Mr. Jackson	Mr. Mackay
Mr. Livingston	

Noes, 25.

Mr. Bell	Mr. Lamond
Mr. Bowden	Mr. McWilliams
Mr. Charlton	Mr. Poynton
Mr. Robert Cook	Mr. Prowse
Mr. Fleming	Mr. Rodgers
Mr. R. W. Foster	Sir Granville Ryrie
Mr. Gibson	Mr. Laird Smith
Mr. Greene	Mr. Watkins
Mr. Gregory	Mr. Wise
Mr. Groom	
Mr. Hay	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. Higgs	Mr. Foley
Mr. Hill	Mr. Story
Mr. Jowett	

And so it was negatived.

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

Question—put and passed.

Requested Amendment No. 26 not made and the modification already made by the House not altered.

Requested Amendment No. 41—

Requested amendment of sub-item (e) made.

Requested Amendment No. 43 made as now requested.

Requested Amendment No. 82—

Requested amendment to add paragraph (5) made.

Requested Amendment No. 91—

Mr. Greene moved, That the requested amendment be not made and that the modification already made by the House be not altered.

Debate ensued.

Question—put.

The Committee divided—

Ayes, 28.

Mr. Anstey	Mr. Lamond
Mr. Bamford	Mr. Livingston
Mr. Bell	Mr. W. Maloney
Mr. Bowden	Mr. Marks
Mr. Donald Cameron	Mr. Mathews
Mr. Charlton	Mr. Maxwell
Mr. Corser	Mr. Poynton
Mr. Fenton	Sir Granville Ryrie
Mr. Foley	Mr. Laird Smith
Mr. Francis	Mr. Watkins
Mr. Greene	Mr. Wise
Mr. Groom	
Mr. Higgs	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. Jackson	Mr. Mackay
Mr. Jowett	Mr. Story

Noes, 10.

Mr. Atkinson	Mr. Hill
Mr. Robert Cook	Mr. Earle Page
Mr. Fleming	
Mr. R. W. Foster	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. Gibson	Mr. McWilliams
Mr. Gregory	Mr. Prowse

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Requested amendment accordingly not made

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Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Greene—That any amendment made in the Schedule shall have effect on and after the day following the day the amendment is made, except where the Committee has otherwise decided or the contrary intention appears.

Resolutions to be reported.

The House resumed; Mr. Chanter reported accordingly.

On the motion of Mr. Greene, the House adopted the Report.

Ordered—That the Bill, amended accordingly, be returned to the Senate.

14. ALTERATION OF HOUR OF NEXT MEETING.—Mr. Greene moved, That the House, at its rising adjourn until eleven o'clock a.m. to-morrow.
Question—put and passed.
15. TARIFF BOARD BILL.—SENATE'S AMENDMENTS.—The Order of the Day having been read for the consideration in Committee of the whole House of the Amendments made by the Senate—Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole.

(*In the Committee.*)

The Committee proceeded to consider the Amendments, which are as follow :—

SCHEDULE OF THE AMENDMENTS MADE BY THE SENATE.

No. 1.—Page 2, clause 8, at end of clause add the following new sub-clause :—

“(3.) The total amount chargeable on and payable out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund for the establishment and maintenance of the Board, including the salary of the Chairman and the fees to members, shall not during any financial year exceed Four thousand pounds.”

No. 2.—Page 4, clause 15, lines 32 and 33, leave out “(iv) refusing to sell to any person goods to the value of fifty pounds at current market rates,”

No. 3.—Page 5, clause 19, line 36, after “may” insert “on resolution of the Board”.

No. 4.—Page 5, clause 19, at end of clause add the following new sub-clause :—

“(2.) The Board may, in its discretion, on the application of any party to an inquiry before the Board, summon any person to appear as a witness before the Board.”

No. 5.—Page 6, clause 23, line 17, leave out “Five hundred”, insert “Two hundred and fifty”.

No. 6.—Page 6, clause 24, line 26, leave out “Five hundred”, insert “Two hundred and fifty”.

No. 7.—Page 6, clause 25, lines 37–39, leave out all the words after “penalty”, insert “not exceeding Five hundred pounds or to imprisonment for a period not exceeding three months or both”.

No. 8.—Page 8, clause 34, line 6, leave out “Five hundred”, insert “Two hundred and fifty”.

No. 9.—Page 8, clause 34, at end of clause add the following new sub-clause :—

“(3.) Any prosecution under this section shall be commenced within three months from the date of the commission of the alleged offence.”

No. 10.—Page 8, after clause 36 add the following new clause :—

“37. This Act shall continue in force for a period of two years and no longer. Duration of Act.

Amendment No. 1—

Mr. Greene moved, That the amendment be disagreed to.

Debate ensued.

Question—put.

The Committee divided—

Ayes, 23.

Mr. Bell	Mr. Mathews
Mr. Bowden	Mr. Maxwell
Mr. Donald Cameron	Mr. Poynton
Mr. Charlton	Mr. Rodgers
Mr. Considine	Sir Granville Ryrie
Mr. Corser	Mr. Laird Smith
Mr. Fenton	Mr. Watkins
Mr. Foley	Mr. Wise
Mr. R. W. Foster	
Mr. Greene	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. Groom	
Mr. Jackson	Mr. Mackay
Mr. Marks	Mr. Story

Noes, 9.

Mr. Robert Cook	Mr. Earle Page
Mr. Gibson	
Mr. Gregory	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. Hill	
Mr. Livingston	Mr. Jowett
Mr. McWilliams	Mr. Prowse

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

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

The House resumed; Mr. Chanter reported accordingly.

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

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

Question—put and passed.

And then the House, at six 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. Blakeley, Mr. Blundell, Mr. Burchell, Mr. J. H. Catts, Mr. Austin Chapman, Mr. Cunningham, Mr. Gabb, Mr. Hughes, Mr. Hunter, Mr. Lambert, Mr. Lavelle, Mr. Lazzarini, Mr. Mahony, Mr. Makin, Mr. Marr, Mr. Nicholls, Mr. Riley, and Mr. Tudor.

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