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THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA.

No. 204.

AND VOTES PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

REPRESENTATIVES. HOUSE OF

TUESDAY, 6TH DECEMBER, 1921.

1. The House met, at eleven o'clock a.m., pursuant to adjournment .- Mr. Speaker took the Chair, and read Prayers.

2 PAPER.-The following Paper was presented, pursuant to Statute-

Public Service Act-Appointments of E. A. Black, H. S. Trotman, W. J. E. Tate, A. E. Blakers, Department of the Treasury.

- 3. WAR PRECAUTIONS ACT REPEAL BILL (1921).-Mr. Greene (for Mr. Groom) moved, pursuant to notice, That he have leave to bring in a Bill for an Act to amend section seven and repeal section nincteen of the War Precautions Act Repeal Act 1920. Question—put and passed.
- 4. TARIFF BOARD BILL .- SENATE'S AMENDMENTS .- The Order of the Day having been read for the further consideration in Committee of the whole House of the Amendments made by the Senate (vide page 820 ante)-Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole.

(In the Committee.)

Amendment No. 2-Mr. Greene moved, That the amendment be agreed to. Debate ensued. Question-put. The Committee divided-

Ayes, 24.

Mr. Livingston Mr. Marks Mr. Atkinson Mr. Bayley Mr. Bruce Mr. Maxwell Mr. Poynton Mr. Rodgers Mr. Donald Cameron Mr. Corser Mr. R. W. Foster Sir Granville Ryrie Mr. Laird Smith Mr. Watt Mr. Gibson Mr. Greene Mr. Gregory Mr. Wise Mr. Groom Tellers: Mr. Higgs Mr. Jackson Mr. Mackay Mr. Lister Mr. Story

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Amendment No. 3 agreed to.

Amendment No. 4 debated and agreed to.

Amendment No. 5

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

Debate ensued.

Question-put.

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Noes, 21.

Mr. Anstey Mr. McDonald Mr. Bell Mr. McWilliams Mr. Parker Moloney Mr. Farle Page Mr. Blakeley Mr. Considine Mr. Prowse Mr. Robert Cook Mr. Cunningham Mr. Watkins Mr. Fenton Mr. West Mr. Fleming Mr. Gabb Tellers: Mr. Jowett Mr. Bowden Mr. Lambert Mr. Mathews Mr. Riley

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Mr. Bowden	Mr. Lister	Mr. Blakeley	Mr. Prowse
Mr. Bruce	Mr. Livingston	Mr. Brennan	Mr. Stewart
Mr. Donald Cameron		Mr. Considine	Mr. Watkins
Mr. Robert Cook	Mr. Earle Page	Mr. Fenton	Mr. West
Mr. Corser	Mr. Poynton	Mr. Gabb	
Mr. Fleming	Mr. Rodgers	Mr. Lambert	Tellers :
Mr. R. W. Foster	Sir Granville Ryrie	Mr. Maxwell	Mr. Cunningham
Mr. Gibson	Mr. Laird Smith	Mr. McDonald	Mr. Riley
Mr. Greene	Mr. Watt	•	
Mr. Gregory	Mr. Wise		
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Ine rouse resumed; Mr. On the reported accordingly. On the motion of Mr. Greene, the House adopted the Report. Mr. Greene moved, That Mr. Groom, Mr. Land Smith, Mr. Wise, and the Mover be appointed a Committee to draw up Reasons for the House of Representatives disagreeing to Amendment No. 1.

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Question—put and passed.

Mr. Greene, on behalf of the Committee, brought up such Reasons, which were read, and are as follows :

Reasons of the House of R. presentatives for disagreeing to amendment No. 1 of the Senate.

The limit as proposed may seriously hamper the operations of the Board, which will immediately have many important matters to investigate. The functions of the Department and the Board will be so interwoven that it will be impossible to discriminate between what is ordinary Customs business and what is caused solely through the existence of the Board.

Mr. Greene moved, That the Committee's Reasons be adopted.

Question—put and passed.

- 5. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY .-- Ordered, That Orders of the Day, Nos. 2, 3, and 4 be postponed until after Order of the Day No. 9, Government Business.
- 6. TREATY OF PEACE (HUNGARY) BILL.—The Order of the Day having been read for the second reading —Mr. Greene moved, That the Bill be now read a second time. Question-put and passed.-Bill read a second time.

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

(In the Committee.)

Bill agreed to and to be reported without amendment.

The House resumed; Mr. Charlton reported accordingly.

- On the motion of Mr. Greene, the House adopted the Report, and, by leave, the Bill was read a third time.
- 7. LOANS REDEMPTION AND CONVERSION BILL .- The Order of the Day having been read for the consideration in Committee of the whole House of His Excellency the Governor-General's Message No. 69-

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

(In the Committee.)

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Groom-That it is expedient that an appropriation of revenue be made for the purposes of a Bill for an Act to authorize the paying off, repurchasing, redeeming and converting of Loans and for other purposes.

Resolution to be reported.

The House resumed ; Mr. Chanter reported accordingly.

Mr. Groom moved, pursuant to contingent notice, That the Standing Orders be suspended, to enable the remaining stages to be passed without delay.

Question—put and passed.

The said Resolution was read, and, on the motion of Mr. Groom, was adopted by the House.

Ordered-That Mr. Groom and Mr. Laird Smith do prepare and bring in a Bill to carry out the foregoing Resolution.

Mr. Groom then 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 a later hour this day.

8. LOAN BILL (No. 2) (1921) [£4,500,000] .- The Order of the Day having been read for the consideration in Committee of the whole House of His Excellency the Governor General's Message No. 70 -Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole.

(In the Committee.)

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Groom-That it is expedient 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.

Resolution to be reported.

The House resumed ; Mr. Chanter reported accordingly.

Mr. Groom moved, pursuant to contingent notice, That the Standing Orders be suspended, to enable the remaining stages to be passed without delay.

Question-put and passed.

The said Resolution was read, and, on the motion of Mr. Groom, was adopted by the House.

Ordered-That Mr. Groom and Mr. Laird Smith do prepare and bring in a Bill to carry out the foregoing Resolution.

Mr. Groom then 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 a later hour this day.

9. INVALID AND OLD-AGE PENSIONS APPROPRIATION BILL (1921)-The Order of the Day having been read for the consideration in Committee of the whole House of His Excellency the Governor General's Message No. 71-

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

(In the Committee.)

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Groom-That it is expedient 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. Resolution to be reported.

The House resumed ; Mr. Chanter reported accordingly.

Mr. Groom moved, pursuant to contingent notice, That the Standing Orders be suspended, to enable the remaining stages to be passed without delay.

Question-put and passed.

The said Resolution was read, and, on the motion of Mr. Groom, was adopted by the House. Ordered-That Mr. Groom and Mr. Laird Smith do prepare and bring in a Bill to carry out the

foregoing Resolution.

Mr. Groom then 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 a later hour this day.

FUNDING ARRANGEMENTS BILL.—The Order of the Day having been read for the consideration in Committee of the whole House of His Excellency the Governor-General's Message No. 72— Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole.

(In the Committee.)

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Groom-That it is expedient 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.

Resolution to be reported.

The House resumed; Mr. Chanter reported accordingly.

Mr. Groom moved, pursuant to contingent notice, That the Standing Orders be suspended, to enable the remaining stages to be passed without delay.

Question-put and passed.

The said Resolution was read, and, on the motion of Mr. Groom, was adopted by the House. Ordered—That Mr. Groom and Mr. Laird Smith do prepare and bring in a Bill to carry out the foregoing Resolution. Mr. Groom then 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 a later hour this day.

- 11. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY .- Ordered, That the remaining Orders of the Day be postponed until after the consideration of the Notices of Motion, Government Business.
- 12. FEDERAL CAPITAL CITY-CONSTRUCTION OF MAIN OUTFALL SEWER TO WESTERN CREEK-APPROVAL OF CARRYING ON OF WORK.--Mr. Groom moved, pursuant to notice, That, in accordance with the provisions of the Commonwealth Public Works Committee A t 1913-1914, it is expedient to carry on the following proposed work :-- Federal Capital City--Construction of Main Outfall Sewer to Western Creek, which said work was investigated by the Public Works Committee, and on which the Committee has duly reported to this House the result of its inquiries. Debate ensued.

Question-put and passed.

13. PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE-REFERENCE OF WORK-FEDERAL CAPITAL CITY-SEWERAGE.-Mr. Groom moved, pursuant to notice, That, in accordance with the provisions of the Common-wealth Public Works Committee Act 1913-1914, the following work be referred to the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Public Works for its investigation and report thereon, viz. :--Sewerage, Federal Capital-Construction of Main Intercepting Sewer from centre of City to connect with main outfall sewer.

Mr. Groom having laid on the Table plans, &c., in connexion with the proposed work-Question-put and passed.

14. PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE-REFERENCE OF WORK-FEDERAL CAPITAL CITY-WATER SUPPLY-DISTRIBUTORY WORKS.-Mr. Groom moved, pursuant to notice, That, in accordance with the provisions of the Commonwealth Public Works Committee Act 1913-1914, the following work be referred to the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Public Works for its investigation and report thereon, viz.:--Water Supply, Federal Capital-Distributory works within the City Area, Canberra.

Mr. Groom having laid on the Table plans, &c., in connexion with the proposed work-Question-put and passed.

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15. PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE-REFERENCE OF WORK-HOSTEL AT CANBERRAMr. Groom moved,
pursuant to notice, That, in accordance with the provisions of the Commonwealth Public Works
Committee Act 1913-1914, the following proposed work be referred to the Parliamentary Standing
Committee on Public Works for its investigation and report thereon, viz. : The construction of
a hostel at Canberra, with necessary engineering and other services.

Mr. Groom having laid on the Table plans, &c., in connexion with the proposed work-

Question-put.

The House divided—

Ayes, 31.

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Mr. Bamford	Mr. Marks
Mr. Bayley	Mr. Mathews
Mr. Blakeley	Mr. McDonald
Mr. Bowden	Mr. Parker Moloney
Mr. Chanter	Mr. Poynton
Mr. Considine	Mr. Riley
Mr. Corser	Mr. Rodgers
Mr. Cunningham	Sir Granville Ryrie
Mr. Fenton	Mr. Laird Smith
Mr. Fleming	Mr. Watkins
Mr. Foley	Mr. West
Mr. Greene	Mr. Wise
Mr. Groom	
Mr. Hay	(1) - 71
Mr. Lambert	Tellers:
Mr. Lamoud	Mr. Mackay
Mr. W. Malonev	Mr. Story
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Noes	, 21.	
Mr. Atkinson	Mr.	Lister
Mr. Bell	Mr.	Livingston
Sir Robert Best		Maxwell
Mr. Bruce	Mr.	McWilliams
Mr. Donald Cameron	Mr.	Prowse
Mr. Robert Cook	Mr.	Stewart
Mr. R. W. Foster	Mr.	Wienholt
Mr. Gabb		
Mr. Gibson		Tellers:
Mr. Gregory		recers:
Mr. Hill	Mr.	Jackson
Mr. Hunter	Mr.	Jowett

And so it was resolved in the affirmative .

16. AUTOMATIC TELEPHONE EXCHANGES, ASCOT VALE AND NORTH MELBOURNE — APPROVAL OF CARRYING OUT OF WORKS.—Mr. Groom moved, pursuant to notice, That, in accordance with the provisions of the Commonwealth Public Works Committee Act 1913-1914, it is expedient to carry out the following proposed works :—Automatic telephone exchanges at Ascot Vale and North Melbourne, Victoria, which said works were referred to the Public Works Committee, and on which the Committee has duly reported to this House the result of its inquiries. Debate ensued.

Question-put and passed.

- 17. TAXATION OFFICES AND OTHER DEPARTMENTS-SYDNEY-APPROVAL OF CARRYING OUT OF WORK.-Mr. Groom moved, pursuant to notice, That, in accordance with the provisions of the Commonwealth Public Works Committee Act 1913-1914, the recommendations in the report of the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Public Works in regard to the Erection of Offices for Taxation and other Commonwealth Departments in Sydney be adopted, and that it is expedient to carry out the work to the extent indicated in such report. Question--put and passed.
- 18. PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE—REFERENCE OF WORK—AUTOMATIC TELEPHONE EXCHANGE, SOUTH BRISBANE.—Mr. Groom moved, pursuant to notice, That, in accordance with the provisions of the Commonwealth Public Works Committee Act 1913–1914, the following work be referred to the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Public Works for its investigation and report thereon, viz. :--Automatic Telephone Exchange and Equipment at South Brisbane, Queensland. Mr. Groom having laid on the Table plans, &c., in connexion with the proposed work—

Question-put and passed.

19. PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE—REFERENCE OF WORK—AUTOMATIC TELEPHONE EXCHANGE, COTTESLOE.—Mr. Groom moved, pursuant to notice, That, in accordance with the provisions of the *Commonwealth Public Works Committee Act* 1913 1914, the following work be referred to the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Public Works for its investigation and report thereon, viz. :—Automatic Telephone Exchange and Equipment at the following place in Western Australia :—Cottesloe.

Mr. Groom having laid on the Table plans, &c., in connexion with the proposed work-Question-put and passed.

- 20. PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE—REFERENCE OF WORK—AUTOMATIC TELEPHONE EXCHANGES, BRIGHTON, GLENELG, AND PROSPECT, SOUTH AUSIRALIA.—Mr. Groom moved, pursuant to notice, That, in accordance with the provisions of the Commonwealth Public Works Committee Act 1913-1914, the following works be referred to the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Public Works for its investigation and report thereon, viz. :—Automatic Telephone Exchanges and Equipment at the following places in S uth Australia :—Brighton, Glenelg, Prospect. Mr. Groom having laid on the Table plans, &c., in connexion with the proposed works— Question—put and passed.
- 21. POSTFONEMENT OF NOTICE OF MOTION.—Ordered—That the consideration of Notice of Motion No. 11, Government Business, be postponed until to-morrow.

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22. PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE-REFERENCE OF WORKS-New TELEPHONE EXCHANGES, &C., EAST SYDNEY CITY SOUTH SXDNEY, RANDWICK, WAVERLEY, AND GORDON.-Mr. Groom moved, pursuant to notice, That, in accordance with the provisions of the Commonwealth Public Works Committee Act 1913-1914, the following works be referred to the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Public Works for its investigation and report thereon, viz. :--New Telephone Exchanges and Automatic Equipment at the following places in New South Wales:-East Sydney (Paddington and William); City South, Sydney; Randwick; Waverley; Gordon. Mr. Groom having laid on the Table plans, &c., in connexion with the proposed works—

Question—put and passed.

23. PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE -REFERENCE OF WORK-OFFICE ACCOMMODATION, COMMONWEALTH DEPARTMENTS, ADELAIDE.—Mr. Groom moved, pursuant to notice, That, in accordance with the provisions of the Commonwealth Public Works Committee Act 1913-1914, the following work be referred to the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Public Works for its investigation and report thereon, viz. -- Provision of office accommodation in Adelaide, South Australia, for various Commonwealth Departments.

Mr. Groom having laid on the Table plans, &c., in connexion with the proposed work-Question—put and passed.

24. PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE-REFERENCE OF WORK-OFFICE ACCOMMODATION, FEDERAL TAXATION DEPARTMENT, MELBOURNE .- Mr. Groom moved, pursuant to notice, That, in accordance with the provisions of the Commonwealth Public Works Committee Act 1913-1914, the following work be referred to the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Public Works for its investigation and report thereon, viz. :- Provision of office accommodation for Federal Taxation Department in Melbourne.

Question—put and passed.

25. PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE-REFERENCE OF WORK-MOBILIZATION DEPOT, WOODSIDE .-- Mr. Groom moved, pursuant to notice, That, in accordance with the provisions of the Commonwealth Public Works Committee Act 1913-1914, the following work be referred to the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Public Works for its investigation and report thereon, viz :- Provision of Mobilization Depôt (Defence) at Woodside, South Australia. Debate ensued.

Mr. Groom having laid on the Table plans, &c., in connexion with the proposed work-Question-put and passed.

- 26. POSTPONEMENT OF NOTICE OF MOTION .- Ordered That the consideration of Notice of Motion No. 16, Government Business, be postponed until to-morrow.
- 27. ANZAC MEMORIAL SQUARE, BRISBANE—APPROVAL OF RECOMMENDATIONS OF PUBLIC WORKS COM-MITTEE.—Mr. Poynton moved, pursuant to notice, That, in accordance with the provisions of the Commonwealth Public Works Committee Act 1913-1914, it is expedient to approve of the following recommendations of the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Public Works :---
 - (a) The Commonwealth Government to surrender 40 feet frontage by its full depth from the Southern side of the land in its possession in Adelaide and Ann-streets, Brisbane, for the purpose of enabling the formation of an Anzac Memorial Square, subject to full rights of light, air and access on the Southern side of the remaining land and subject also to the State Government surrendering 160 feet frontage by the full depth of its adjoining land for a similar purpose.
 - (b) The Commonwealth Government to surrender from the land in its possession in Adelaide and Ann-streets, Brisbane, a strip of 14 feet wide fronting each street to enable Adelaide-street and Ann-street to be widened to that extent.

Question-put and passed.

28. PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE-RESCISSION OF RESOLUTION-EXTENSION OF WOOLLEN CLOTH FACTORY, GEELONG.-Mr. Groom moved, pursuant to notice, That the Resolution of the House of the 29th October, 1920, referring the following Works to the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Public Works for their Report thereon, viz. :--Extension to Buildings and Equipment of the Commonwealth Woollen Cloth Factory at Geelong, Victoria--be resciseded. Debate ensued.

Question—put and passed.

- 29. POSTFONEMENT OF NOTICE OF MOTION .-- Ordered -- That .the consideration or Notice of Motion No. 19, Government Business, be postponed until to-morrow.
- 30. WAYS AND MEANS [CUSTOMS TARIFF (INDUSTRIES PRESERVATION ANTI-DUMPING) RESOLUTION].-The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Ways and Means.

(In the Committee.)

Debate resumed on the motion of Mr. Greene, viz. :---That-

> (1) The undermentioned Duties of Customs be collected in accordance with the following provisions :---(See pages 649-53 ante).

Clause (1)-

[Paragraph (A) agreed to.-(See page 685 ante].

Paragraph (B), viz. :-

(B) If the Minister is satisfied, after inquiry and report by the Tariff Board, that goods produced or manufactured outside Australia have been or are being sold to an importer in Australia at an export price which is less than a reasonable price, and

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that detriment may thereby result to an Australian industry-a dumping below cost duty on those goods imported into Australia, which are specified by the Minister by notice published in the Gazette as being goods as to which he is so satisfied, the amount of the dumping below cost duty being in each case the sum which represents the difference between a reasonable price of the goods at the time of shipment and the export price of the goods. In this paragraph "a reasonable price" means such a price as represents the cost of production of the goods plus twenty per centum plus free on board charges. In the absence of satisfactory evidence in relation thereto, the cost of production to be such amount as the Minister thinks fit to fix, after report by the Tariff Board, as the cost of production-

And on the amendment moved by Mr. Gregory, viz. :-

That all the words after the word " If " in line 1 of the paragraph be omitted with a view to the insertion of the following words in place thereof :-

> " at any time it appears to the satisfaction of the Minister, after inquiry and report by the Tariff Board, that the payment of the anti-dumping duties specified under paragraph (A) of this resolution is being evaded by the shipment of goods or consignments without sale prior to such shipment, the Minister may in any case or class of cases authorize such action as is deemed necessary to collect on such goods, or any of them, the same dumping duties as if the goods had been sold to an importer in Australia prior to their shipment to Australia ".

Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Debate on paragraph (B) continued.

Mr. Gregory moved, as an amendment, That the words "a reasonable price" (line 3) be omitted with a view to the insertion of the words "the market price in the country of origin or manufacture at the date the goods were purchased ".

Amendment negatived.

Mr. Greene moved, as an amendment, That the word "twenty" (line 10) be omitted and that the word "five" be inserted in place thereof.

Amendment agreed to.

Paragraph, as amended, agreed to.

Paragraph (C)-

Mr. Greene moved, as an amendment, That the word "twenty" (wherever occurring) be omitted and that the word "five" be inserted in place thereof.

Amendment agreed to.

Paragraph, as amended, agreed to.

Paragraph (D)-

Mr. Gregory moved, as an amendment, That the words "being other than ordinary trade deductions " be inserted after the word "allowances" (line 9).

Debate ensued.

Amendment negatived.

Paragraph agreed to.

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.

31. PAPERS.-The following Papers were presented, pursuant to Statute-

Defence Act-Regulations Amended-Statutory Rules 1921, Nos. 220, 221.

Papua-Ordinances of 1921-

No. 11—Health (Venereal Diseases). No. 12—Customs Tariff. No. 13—Port Dues Revision.

No. 14—Creditors Remedies.

- 32. ALTERATION OF HOUR OF NEXT MEETING .- MI Greene moved, That the House, at its rising, adjourn until eleven o'clock a.m. to-morrow. Question—put and passed.
- 33. ADJOURNMENT.-Mr. Greene moved, That the House do now adjourn. Debate ensued. Question-put and passed.
- And then the House, at twenty-three 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. Blundell, Mr. Burchell, Mr. J. H. Catts, Mr. Austin Chapman, Mr. Hughes, Mr. Lavelle, Mr. Lazzarini, Mr. Mahony, Mr. Makin, Mr. Marr, Mr. McGrath, Mr. Nicholls, and Mr. Tudor.

WALTER A. GALE,

Clerk of the House of Representatives.

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