THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA.

No. 3.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

FRIDAY, 30TH JUNE, 1922.

- 1. The House met, at eleven o'clock a.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 Sixth Progress Report from the Committee:—

 War Service Homes (South Australia).

Ordered to be printed.

3. Parliamentary Standing Committee on Public Works—Report.—Mr. Mathews, for the Chairman of the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Public Works, brought up the following Report from the Committee—

Report, together with Minutes of Evidence, relating to the proposed provision of office accommodation for Federal Taxation Department in Melbourne.

Ordered, after debate, to be printed.

4. Message from the Governor-General—Supply Bill (No. 1) 1922-23—Amendment Censuring the Government.—The Order of the Day having been read for the resumption of the debate on the question—That the Message be referred to the Committee of Supply when appointed, and on the Amendment moved thereto by Mr. Charlton, viz.:—That after the word "That" the following words be inserted:—"the Government be condemned for its callous administration, which has caused dislocation of industry, intensified unemployment, and created widespread misery and distress"—

Debate resumed.

Mr. Hughes, addressing the House, and not having concluded his speech at the termination of the time allowed by Standing Order No. 257A, the honorable Member was given leave to continue his speech for a few minutes.

Debate continued.

Mr. Considine moved, That the debate be now adjourned.

Question-That the debate be now adjourned-put and negatived.

Question-That the words proposed to be inserted be so inserted-put.

The House divided-

Ayes, 17.		Noes, 38.	
Mr. Anstey Mr. Blakeley Mr. Brennan Mr. Charlton Mr. Considine Mr. Cunningham Mr. Lazzarini Mr. Mahony Mr. Makin Mr. Mathews	Mr. McDonald Mr. Parker Moloney Mr. Nicholls Mr. Riley Mr. Scullin Tellers: Mr. Fenton Mr. McGrath	Mr. Atkinson Mr. Bamford Mr. Bell Mr. Bowden Mr. Bruce Mr. Burchell Mr. Donald Cameron Mr. J. H. Catts Mr. Chanter Mr. Austin Chapman Mr. Corser Mr. Foley Mr. Fowler Mr. Francis Mr. Gibson Mr. Greene Mr. Groom Mr. Hay Mr. Hill Mr. Hughes	Mr. Poynton Mr. Pratten

And so it was negatived.

Question—That the Message be referred to the Committee of Supply when appointed -put and passed.

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- 5. Suspension of Standing Orders—Supply.—Mr. Hughes moved, pursuant to notice, That the Standing Orders be suspended in order to enable the Committees of Supply and Ways and Means to be appointed before the Address in Reply to His Excellency the Governor-General's Opening Speech has been agreed to by the House, and to enable all other steps to be at once taken to obtain Supply, and to pass a Supply Bill through all stages without delay. Question—put and passed.
- 6. Supply.—Mr. Bruce moved, That the House do now resolve itself into a Committee to consider the Supply to be granted to His Majesty.

 Question—put and passed.
- 7. Supply Resolution—Supply Bill.—The House then resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.

(In the Committee.)

Supply Bill (No. 1) 1922-23.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Bruce, after debate—That there be granted to His Majesty for or towards defraying the services of the year 1922-23 a sum not exceeding £2,481,850. Resolution to be reported, and leave asked to sit again.

The House resumed; Mr. Chanter reported accordingly.

Resolved—That the House will, at its next sitting, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Resolution reported from the Committee was read, and, on the motion of Mr. Bruce, was adopted by the House.

- 8. Ways and Means.—Mr. Bruce moved, That the House do now resolve itself into a Committee to consider the Ways and Means for raising the Supply to be granted to His Majesty.

 Question—put and passed.
- 9. Ways and Means Resolution.—The House then resolved itself into the Committee of Ways and Means.

· (In the Committee.)

Supply Bill (No. 1) 1922-23.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Bruce—That, towards making good the Supply granted to His Majesty for the services of the year 1922-23, there be granted out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund a sum not exceeding £2,481,850.

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

The House resumed; Mr. Chanter reported accordingly,

Resolved-That the House will, at its next sitting, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Resolution reported from the Committee was read, and, on the motion of Mr. Bruce, was adopted by the House.

Ordered—That Mr. Bruce and Mr. Greene do prepare and bring in a Bill to carry out the foregoing Resolution.

10. Supply Bill (No. 1) 1922-23.—Mr. Bruce then brought up a Bill intituled "A 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-three," and moved, That it be now read a first time.

Question—put and passed.—Bill read a first time.

Mr. Bruce 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. Chanter reported accordingly.
On the motion of Mr. Bruce, the House adopted the Report, and the Bill was read a third time.

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11. Message from the Senate.—Public Service Bill (1922)—Request for Resumption of Consideration of.—Mr. Speaker announced the receipt of the following Message from the Senate:—

Mr. SPEAKER,

Message No. 1.

Pursuant to the Standing Orders in that behalf, the Senate requests the House of Representatives to resume the consideration of a Bill for "An Act to consolidate and amend the Law regulating the Public Service, and for other purposes," which was transmitted to the House of Representatives for concurrence during last session of the Parliament, and the proceedings on which were interrupted by the prorogation of the Parliament.

The Senate.

THOS. GIVENS,

Melbourne, 30th June, 1922.

President.

- Ordered—That the consideration of the foregoing Message be made an Order of the Day for the next day of sitting.
- 12. Message from the Senate.—Defence Bill (1922)—Request for Resumption of Consideration of.—Mr. Speaker announced the receipt of the following Message from the Senate:—

Mr. Speaker.

Message No. 2.

Pursuant to the Standing Orders in that behalf, the Senate requests the House of Representatives to resume the consideration of a Bill for "An Act to amend the Defence Act 1903-1918'," which was transmitted to the House of Representatives for concurrence during last session of the Parliament, and the proceedings on which were interrupted by the prorogation of the Parliament.

THOS. GIVENS,

The Senate,

Melbourne, 30th June, 1922.

President.

- Ordered—That the consideration of the foregoing Message be made an Order of the Day for the next day of sitting.
- 13. Message from the Senate.—Air Defence Bill—Request for Resumption of Consideration of.—Mr. Speaker announced the receipt of the following Message from the Senate:—

Mr. Speaker,

Message No. 3.

Pursuant to the Standing Orders in that behalf, the Senate requests the House of Representatives to resume the consideration of a Bill for "An Act relating to Air Defence," which was transmitted to the House of Representatives for concurrence during last session of the Parliament, and the proceedings on which were interrupted by the prorogation of the Parliament.

THOS. GIVENS,

The Senate,

Melbourne, 30th June, 1922.

President.

- Ordered—That the consideration of the foregoing Message be made an Order of the Day for the next day of sitting.
- 14. Papers.—The following Papers were presented, pursuant to Statute -

Lands Acquisition Act—Land acquired under, at Fergus, Federal Territory—For Federal Capital purposes.

New Guinea Act—Ordinance of 1922—No. 20—Succession Duties (No. 2).

Railways Act-By-law No. 22.

Treaties of Peace (Austria and Bulgaria) Act—Regulations Amended—Statutory Rules 1922, Nos. 85, 86.

Treaty of Peace (Germany) Act—Regulations Amended—Statutory Rules 1922, No. 84.

15. Adjournment.—Mr. Hughes moved, That the House do now adjourn. Question—put and passed.

And then the House, at five o'clock p.m., adjourned until Wednesday next at three o'clock p.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT.—All Members were present (at some time during the sitting) except—Mr. Gregory, Mr. Higgs, Mr. Hunter, Mr. Jowett, Mr. Lawbert, Mr. Lavelle, and Mr. Livingston.

WALTER A. GALE, Clerk of the House of Representatives