THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA.

No. 12.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

FRIDAY, 21st JULY, 1922.

- 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—
 Australian Imperial Force Canteens Funds Act—Second Annual Report by the Trustees, 1st
 June, 1921, to 30th June, 1922.
- 3. ADJOURNMENT-MOTION FOR PURPOSE OF DISCUSSION.—Mr. Makin rose in his place, and said that he proposed to move the adjournment of the House for the purpose of discussing a definite matter of urgent public importance, namely, "The inadequate and unsatisfactory medical services of the Mandated Territory".
 - Mr. Speaker thereupon called upon those Members who approved of the proposed discussion to rise in their places, and more than the necessary number of Members having risen accordingly—
 - Mr. Makin moved, That the House do now adjourn.
 - Mr. Makin, not having concluded his speech at the termination of the time allowed by Standing Order No. 39, the honorable Member was given leave to continue his speech for fifteen minutes.
 - Mr. Hughes, addressing the House, and not having concluded his speech at the termination of the time allowed by Standing Order No. 39, the honorable Member was given leave to continue his speech for fifteen minutes.
 - Debate continued.
 - It being two hours after the time fixed for the meeting of the House, the debate was interrupted in accordance with Standing Order No. 119, and the Orders of the Day were called on.
- 4. Public Service Bill (1922)—Senate's Request for Resumption of Consideration of.—The Order of the Day having been read for the consideration of the Message from the Senate requesting the resumption by the House of the consideration of this Bill, which was transmitted to the House for concurrence during the last Session of the Parliament, and the proceedings on which were interrupted by the Prorogation of the Parliament—
 - Mr. Groom moved, That the request of the Senate, contained in its Message No. 1, for the resumption by the House of the consideration of the Public Service Bill (1921), be complied with, and that a Message be transmitted to the Senate acquainting it therewith, and that the second reading of the Bill (the stage which the Bill had reached last Session) be made an Order of the Day for the next sitting.

Debate ensued.

Mr. Mahony addressing the House-

Closure.—Mr. Greene moved, That the question be now put.

Question—That the question be now put—put.

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The House divided-

Ayes,	38.	Noes,	18.
Mr. Atkinson Mr. Bayley Mr. Bell Sir Robert Best Mr. Bowden Mr. Bruce Mr. Burchell Mr. Donald Cameron Mr. Chanter Mr. Austin Chapman Mr. Corser Mr. Fleming Mr. Foley Mr. R. W. Foster Mr. Fowler Mr. Francis Mr. Greene Mr. Groom Mr. Higgs Mr. Hill	Mr. Earle Page	Mr. Blakeley Mr. Brennan Mr. Charlton Mr. Considine Mr. Cunningham Mr. Gabb Mr. Lambert Mr. Lavelle Mr. Mahony Mr. Makin	Mr. Mathews Mr. McDonald Mr. McWilliams Mr. Parker Moloney Mr. Scullin Mr. West Tellers: Mr. Fenton Mr. Riley

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

And the Question being accordingly put-That the request of the Senate, contained in its Message No. 1, for the resumption by the House of the consideration of the Public Service Bill (1921), be complied with, and that a Message be transmitted to the Senate acquainting it therewith, and that the second reading of the Bill (the stage which the Bill had reached last Session) be made an Order of the Day for the next sitting-was passed.

5. Defence Bill (1922).—Senate's Request for Resumption of Consideration of.—The Order of the Day having been read for the consideration of the Message from the Senate requesting the resumption by the House of the consideration of this Bill, which was transmitted to the House for concurrence during the last Session of the Parliament, and the proceedings on which were interrupted by the Prorogation of the Parliament-

Mr. Greene moved, That the request of the Senate, contained in its Message No 2, for the resumption by the House of the consideration of the Defence Bill (1921), be complied with, and that a Message be transmitted to the Senate acquainting it therewith, and that the second reading of the Bill (the stage which the Bill had reached last Session) be made an Order of the Day for the next sitting.

Question—put and passed.

6. AIR DEFENCE BILL.—SENATE'S REQUEST FOR RESUMPTION OF CONSIDERATION OF.—The Order of the Day having been read for the consideration of the Message from the Senate requesting the resumption by the House of the consideration of this Bill, which was transmitted to the House for concurrence during the last Session of the Parliament, and the proceedings on which were interrupted by the Prorogation of the Parliament-

Mr. Greene moved, That the request of the Senate, contained in its Message No. 3, for the resumption by the House of the consideration of the Air Defence Bill, be complied with, and that a Message be transmitted to the Senate acquainting it therewith, and that the second reading of the Bill (the stage which the Bill had reached last Session) be made an Order of the Day for the next sitting.

Question—put and passed.

7. MINISTERIAL STATEMENT—SUGAR—COMMONWEALTH GOVERNMENT CONTROL—MOTION FOR PRINTING PAPER.—Mr. Rodgers, by leave, made a Ministerial Statement with reference to Commonwealth Government Sugar Control, and in conclusion, by command of His Excellency the Governor-General, laid upon the Table the following Paper:—

Commonwealth Government Sugar Control—Balance Sheet as at 30th June, 1922; profit and loss account for the period from 19th July, 1915, to 30th June, 1922; trading and profit and loss account for the period from 19th July, 1915 to 30th June, 1922-operating and trading accounts-

and moved, That the Paper be printed.

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

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

Ordered—That the resumption of the debate be made an Order of the Day for the next sitting.

S. Papers.—The following Paper was presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor-General—

Factories-Commonwealth Government-Reports on-Clothing, Cordite (including Acetate of Lime), Harness, Saddlery, and Leather Accoutrements, Small Arms, Woollen Cloth—Reports for year ended 30th June, 1921.

Ordered to lie on the Table, and to be printed.

The following Papers were presented, pursuant to Statute—

New Guinea Act—Ordinance of 1922-23—No. 1—Supply (No. 1). High Court Procedure Act—Rule of Court—Rule re Sitting—Dated 5th July, 1922.

9. ADJOURNMENT.—Mr. Hughes moved, That the House do now adjourn. Debate ensued.

Question—put and passed.

And then the House, at one minute past four 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. Blundell, Mr. J. H. Catts, Mr. Robert Cook, Mr. Gibson, Mr. Gregory, Mr. Jowett, Mr. Lazzarini, Mr. Livingston, Mr. Nicholls, Mr. Stewart, and Mr. Watkins.

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