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THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA.

No. 65.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS.

OF THE

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

FRIDAY, 30TH MAY, 1924.

1. The House met, at eleven o'clock a.m., pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker (the Right Honorable W. A. Watt) took the Chair, and read Prayers.
2. ADJOURNMENT—MOTION FOR PURPOSE OF DISCUSSION.—Mr. Marks 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, "Adequate provision for docking and fueling Naval Ships and Aircraft".
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. Marks moved, That the House do now adjourn.
Debate ensued.
Question—put and negatived.
3. NORTHERN TERRITORY CROWN LANDS BILL.—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 (put by clauses)—*

Clause 7—

Debate resumed on the amendment moved by Mr. Nelson, viz. :—That all the words after the word "members" (line 43) to the end of sub-clause (1.) be omitted, with a view to the insertion of the following words in place thereof :—

"one of whom shall be a pastoralist elected by the pastoral lessees in the Northern Territory, two to be appointed by the Minister."

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

The House resumed ; Mr. Bamford reported accordingly.

Resolved—That the House will, at a later hour this day, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

4. LOAN BILL (1924) [£850,000].—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. 35—
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. Earle Page (Treasurer), after debate—That it is expedient that an appropriation of revenue and moneys be made for the purposes of a Bill for an Act to authorize the Raising and Expending of certain Sums of Money.

Resolution to be reported.

The House resumed ; Mr. Bamford reported accordingly.

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

Ordered—That Mr. Earle Page and Sir Littleton Groom do prepare and bring in a Bill to carry out the foregoing Resolution.

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Mr. Earle Page 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.

Mr. Earle Page 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.)

Clause 1 agreed to.

Clause 2 debated and agreed to.

Clause 3 agreed to.

Clause 4 debated and agreed to. |

Schedule agreed to.

Title agreed to.

Bill to be reported without amendment.

The House resumed ; Mr. Bamford reported accordingly.

On the motion of Mr. Earle Page, the House adopted the Report, and the Bill was read a third time.

5. ADJOURNMENT.—Mr. Bruce (Prime Minister) moved, That the House do now adjourn.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and passed.

And then the House, at twelve minutes 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. Bayley, Mr. R. W. Foster, Mr. Gibson*, Mr. Hughes*, Mr. Hunter*, Mr. Lacey,
Mr. Lambert, Mr. Charles McDonald*, Mr. McGrath, Sir Granville Ryrie, and Mr. Thompson.

* On leave.

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