

THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA.

No. 118.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

TUESDAY, 23RD SEPTEMBER, 1924.

1. The House met, at three o'clock p.m., pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker (the Right Honorable W. A. Watt) took the Chair, and read Prayers.
2. DISCHARGE OF ORDER OF THE DAY.—The following Order of the Day (General Business)—
Tasmania—Financial Assistance to—Resumption of debate on the following motion of Mr. Jackson:—That, in view of the serious financial position of the State of Tasmania, this House is of opinion—
 - (a) *That the Government should consider the advisability of providing for an annual payment to be made to that State, in accordance with section 96 of the Constitution;*
 - (b) *That this annual payment should continue for a period of ten years and thereafter until Parliament otherwise provides;*
 - (c) *That it should commence at an amount of not less than £200,000, and be reduced by £10,000 annually,*

was, by leave, called on, and on the motion of Mr. Jackson, was discharged.
3. PAPERS.—The following Paper was presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor-General—
 International Labour Organization of the League of Nations—Sixth Conference held at Geneva, 16th June to 5th July, 1924—Reports by Australian Delegates.
 Ordered to lie on the Table.
 The following Papers were presented, pursuant to Statute—
 Audit Act—Transfers of Amounts approved by the Governor-General in Council—Financial year 1923-24—Dated 17th September, 1924.
 Papua Act—Ordinance of 1924—No. 3—Post and Telegraph.
 Public Service Act—Appointments of R. G. Casey and W. Henderson, Prime Minister's Department.
4. DAIRY PRODUCE EXPORT CONTROL BILL.—The Order of the Day having been read for the resumption of the debate on the question, That the Bill be now read a second time—
 Debate resumed.
 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—

Mr. Forde moved, as an amendment, That all the words after "Provided that" (line 10) be omitted, with a view to the insertion of the following words in place thereof:—"after this Act has been in operation for twenty-three months a poll of producers shall immediately be taken as to its continuance or otherwise, a majority of votes to decide the question".

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Debate ensued.

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

Question—That the question be now put—put.

The Committee divided—

Ayes, 28.

Mr. Atkinson	Sir Neville Howse
Mr. Bowden	Mr. Hurry
Mr. Bruce	Mr. Jackson
Mr. Donald Cameron	Mr. Lister
Mr. Malcolm Cameron	Mr. Mann
Mr. Robert Cook	Mr. Manning
Mr. Corser	Mr. Earle Page
Mr. Duncan-Hughes	Mr. Thomas Paterson
Mr. R. W. Foster	Mr. Pratten
Mr. Frederick Francis	Mr. Seabrook
Mr. Josiah Francis	Mr. William Watson
Mr. Gardner	
Mr. Gibson	<i>Tellers :</i>
Mr. Roland Green	Mr. Hunter
Mr. Gregory	Mr. Marr

Noes, 14.

Mr. Anstey	Mr. O'Keefe
Mr. Brennan	Mr. Edward Riley
Mr. Coleman	Mr. Scullin
Mr. Forde	Mr. West
Mr. Gabb	
Mr. Lacey	<i>Tellers :</i>
Mr. McGrath	Mr. Cunningham
Mr. Parker Moloney	Mr. Fenton

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

And the question being accordingly put—That the words proposed to be omitted stand part of the clause—

The Committee divided—

Ayes, 22.

Mr. Atkinson	Mr. Lister
Mr. Bowden	Mr. Mann
Mr. Bruce	Mr. Manning
Mr. Donald Cameron	Mr. O'Keefe
Mr. Duncan-Hughes	Mr. Earle Page
Mr. R. W. Foster	Mr. Pratten
Mr. Frederick Francis	Mr. Seabrook
Mr. Gardner	Mr. William Watson
Mr. Gibson	
Mr. Gregory	<i>Tellers :</i>
Sir Neville Howse	Mr. Jackson
Mr. Hurry	Mr. Marr

Noes, 16.

Mr. Anstey	Mr. Roland Green
Mr. Brennan	Mr. Hunter
Mr. Malcolm Cameron	Mr. Lacey
Mr. Coleman	Mr. Thomas Paterson
Mr. Robert Cook	Mr. Scullin
Mr. Corser	
Mr. Forde	<i>Tellers :</i>
Mr. Josiah Francis	Mr. Cunningham
Mr. Gabb	Mr. Fenton

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Mr. Duncan-Hughes moved, as an amendment, That the following words be added to the clause :—
“Such majority to consist of not less than sixty per centum of the producers voting.”

Debate ensued.

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

Question—That the question be now put—put.

The Committee divided—

Ayes, 24.

Mr. Atkinson	Sir Neville Howse
Mr. Bowden	Mr. Hurry
Mr. Bruce	Mr. Jackson
Mr. Donald Cameron	Mr. Lister
Mr. Malcolm Cameron	Mr. Manning
Mr. Corser	Mr. Earle Page
Mr. R. W. Foster	Mr. Pratten
Mr. Frederick Francis	Mr. Seabrook
Mr. Josiah Francis	Mr. William Watson
Mr. Gardner	
Mr. Gibson	<i>Tellers :</i>
Mr. Roland Green	Mr. Hunter
Mr. Gregory	Mr. Marr

Noes, 21.

Mr. Anstey	Mr. McNeill
Mr. Brennan	Mr. Parker Moloney
Mr. Coleman	Mr. O'Keefe
Mr. Robert Cook	Mr. Thomas Paterson
Mr. Cunningham	Mr. Edward Riley
Mr. Duncan-Hughes	Mr. Scullin
Mr. Forde	Mr. West
Mr. Gabb	
Mr. Albert Green	<i>Tellers :</i>
Mr. Lacey	Mr. Fenton
Mr. Latham	Mr. McGrath
Mr. Mann	

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

And the question—That the words proposed to be added be so added—was accordingly put and negatived.

Question—That the clause, as amended, be agreed to—put and passed.

Point of Order.—Mr. Anstey raised a Point of Order that the passing of the Closure did not necessarily involve the question that the clause should be put for the decision of the Committee.

Chairman's Ruling.—The Chairman ruled that the Closure having been carried he was compelled, under the Standing Orders, to put the clause without further debate.

Dissent from Chairman's Ruling.—Mr. Anstey having handed in, in writing, an objection to the Ruling of the Chairman, moved, That the Ruling be disagreed to.

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Question—That the Ruling be disagreed to—put.
The Committee divided—

Ayes, 17.

Mr. Anstey	Mr. Parker Moloney
Mr. Brennan	Mr. O'Keefe
Mr. Coleman	Mr. Edward Riley
Mr. Cunningham	Mr. Scullin
Mr. Gabb	Mr. West
Mr. Albert Green	
Mr. Lacey	
Mr. Latham	
Mr. McGrath	Mr. Fenton
Mr. McNeill	Mr. Forde

Tellers :

Noes, 29.

Mr. Atkinson	Mr. Hurry
Mr. Bowden	Mr. Jackson
Mr. Bruce	Mr. Lister
Mr. Donald Cameron	Mr. Mackay
Mr. Malcolm Cameron	Mr. Mann
Mr. Robert Cook	Mr. Manning
Mr. Corser	Mr. Earle Page
Mr. Duncan-Hughes	Mr. Thomas Paterson
Mr. R. W. Foster	Mr. Pratten
Mr. Frederick Francis	Mr. Seabrook
Mr. Josiah Francis	Mr. William Watson
Mr. Gardner	
Mr. Gibson	
Mr. Roland Green	
Mr. Gregory	Mr. Hunter
Sir Neville Howse	Mr. Marr

Tellers :

And so it was negatived.

Clause 3—

Mr. Roland Green moved, as an amendment, That the definitions of " butter factory " and " cheese factory " (page 1, lines 15 to 22) be omitted, with a view to the insertion of the following definition in place thereof :—

" ' butter factory ' and ' cheese factory ' respectively mean, in relation to any election under this Act, any factory which, during the year ended the thirtieth day of June last preceding the election, has manufactured not less than twenty-six tons of butter or cheese as the case may be."

Debate ensued.

Amendment agreed to.

On the motion of Mr. Bruce (Prime Minister), the following further amendment was made :—

Page 2, lines 3-4, omit " for export ".

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

Clause 4—

Ordered—That the clause be put by parts.

Question—That lines 9 to 15 of page 2 be agreed to—put and passed.

Sub-clause (2.), paragraph (b)—

Mr. Forde moved, as an amendment, That the paragraph be omitted with a view to the insertion of the following paragraph in place thereof :—

" (b) nine representatives elected by the producers supplying co-operative butter and cheese factories, comprising two each in New South Wales, Victoria, and Queensland respectively, and one each in South Australia, Tasmania, and Western Australia respectively, provided that one of the representatives from New South Wales, Victoria, and Queensland respectively, shall be a producer ; "

Debate ensued.

Question—That the amendment be agreed to—put.

The Committee divided—

Ayes, 14.

Mr. Anstey	Mr. McNeill
Mr. Brennan	Mr. Parker Moloney
Mr. Coleman	Mr. O'Keefe
Mr. Forde	Mr. Scullin
Mr. Gabb	
Mr. Albert Green	
Mr. Lacey	
Mr. McGrath	

Tellers :

Mr. Cunningham
Mr. Fenton

Noes, 27.

Mr. Atkinson	Mr. Hurry
Mr. Bowden	Mr. Jackson
Mr. Bruce	Mr. Lister
Mr. Donald Cameron	Mr. Mackay
Mr. Malcolm Cameron	Mr. Mann
Mr. Robert Cook	Mr. Manning
Mr. Corser	Mr. Earle Page
Mr. Duncan-Hughes	Mr. Thomas Paterson
Mr. R. W. Foster	Mr. Pratten
Mr. Frederick Francis	Mr. William Watson
Mr. Josiah Francis	
Mr. Gardner	
Mr. Gibson	
Mr. Roland Green	Mr. Hunter
Mr. Gregory	Mr. Marr

Tellers :

And so it was negatived.

Mr. Roland Green moved, as an amendment, That paragraph (b) be omitted with a view to the insertion of the following paragraph in place thereof :—

" (b) two representatives of each of the States of Queensland, New South Wales, and Victoria, and one representative of each of the States of Tasmania, South Australia and Western Australia elected by the boards of directors of co-operative butter and cheese factories in each of those States."

Debate ensued.

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Mr. Cunningham moved, as an amendment upon the amendment, That the following paragraph (b) be inserted in place of the proposed new paragraph:—

“(b) three representatives elected by the producers of butter and cheese in the Commonwealth;”.

And the Committee continuing to sit till after midnight—

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Question—That the amendment upon the amendment be agreed to—put.
The Committee divided—

Ayes, 9.		Noes, 29.	
Mr. Anstey	Mr. Scullin	Mr. Atkinson	Mr. Hurry
Mr. Brennan		Mr. Bowden	Mr. Jackson
Mr. Coleman		Mr. Bruce	Mr. Lister
Mr. Albert Green	<i>Tellers:</i>	Mr. Donald Cameron	Mr. Mackay
Mr. McGrath	Mr. Cunningham	Mr. Malcolm Cameron	Mr. Mann
Mr. Parker Moloney	Mr. Fenton	Mr. Robert Cook	Mr. Manning
		Mr. Corser	Mr. Earle Page
		Mr. Duncan-Hughes	Mr. Thomas Paterson
		Mr. Forde	Mr. Pratten
		Mr. R. W. Foster	Mr. Seabrook
		Mr. Frederick Francis	Mr. Stewart
		Mr. Josiah Francis	
		Mr. Gabb	<i>Tellers:</i>
		Mr. Gardner	Mr. Hunter
		Mr. Gibson	Mr. Marr
		Mr. Roland Green	

And so it was negatived.

Question—That the original amendment be agreed to—put.
The Committee divided—

Ayes, 29.		Noes, 10.	
Mr. Atkinson	Mr. Hurry	Mr. Anstey	Mr. Parker Moloney
Mr. Bowden	Mr. Jackson	Mr. Brennan	Mr. Scullin
Mr. Bruce	Mr. Lister	Mr. Cunningham	
Mr. Donald Cameron	Mr. Mackay	Mr. Albert Green	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. Malcolm Cameron	Mr. Mann	Mr. Lacey	Mr. Coleman
Mr. Robert Cook	Mr. Manning	Mr. McGrath	Mr. Fenton
Mr. Corser	Mr. Earle Page		
Mr. Duncan-Hughes	Mr. Thomas Paterson		
Mr. Forde	Mr. Pratten		
Mr. R. W. Foster	Mr. Seabrook		
Mr. Frederick Francis	Mr. Stewart		
Mr. Josiah Francis			
Mr. Gabb	<i>Tellers:</i>		
Mr. Gardner	Mr. Hunter		
Mr. Gibson	Mr. Marr		
Mr. Roland Green			

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Sub-clause (2.), paragraph (c)—

Mr. Forde moved, as an amendment, That paragraph (c) be omitted with a view to the insertion of the following paragraph in place thereof:—

“(c) two representatives elected by producers supplying proprietary butter and cheese factories.”

Debate ensued.

Declaration of Bill as Urgent Bill—Limitation of Debate.—Mr. Bruce having declared that the Bill was an Urgent Bill—

Question—That the Bill be considered an Urgent Bill—put.

The Committee divided—

Ayes, 26.		Noes, 10.	
Mr. Atkinson	Mr. Hurry	Mr. Anstey	Mr. McGrath
Mr. Bowden	Mr. Jackson	Mr. Brennan	Mr. Parker Moloney
Mr. Bruce	Mr. Lister	Mr. Cunningham	
Mr. Donald Cameron	Mr. Mackay	Mr. Forde	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. Malcolm Cameron	Mr. Mann	Mr. Albert Green	Mr. Coleman
Mr. Robert Cook	Mr. Manning	Mr. Lacey	Mr. Fenton
Mr. Corser	Mr. Earle Page		
Mr. Duncan-Hughes	Mr. Thomas Paterson		
Mr. R. W. Foster	Mr. Pratten		
Mr. Frederick Francis	Mr. Seabrook		
Mr. Josiah Francis			
Mr. Gardner	<i>Tellers:</i>		
Mr. Gibson	Mr. Hunter		
Mr. Roland Green	Mr. Marr		

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

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Mr. Bruce then moved, That the time allotted in connexion with the Bill be as follows :—

- (a) For the remainder of the Committee stage of the Bill—
 (i) Up to and inclusive of clause 13, until 3 a.m. this day ;
 (ii) Up to and inclusive of clause 21, until 4.30 a.m. this day ;
 (iii) To the end of the Committee stage, until 6 a.m. this day ; and
 (b) For the remaining stages of the Bill, until 6.30 a.m. this day.

Debate ensued.

The time allowed by Standing Order No. 262A for the discussion of the motion having expired—

Question—put.

The Committee divided—

Ayes, 26.		Noes, 11.	
Mr. Atkinson	Mr. Hurry	Mr. Anstey	Mr. Lacey
Mr. Bowden	Mr. Jackson	Mr. Brennan	Mr. Parker Moloney
Mr. Bruce	Mr. Lister	Mr. Coleman	<i>Tellers :</i>
Mr. Donald Cameron	Mr. Mackay	Mr. Cunningham	Mr. Fenton
Mr. Malcolm Cameron	Mr. Mann	Mr. Forde	Mr. McGrath
Mr. Robert Cook	Mr. Manning	Mr. Gabb	
Mr. Corser	Mr. Earle Page	Mr. Albert Green	
Mr. Duncan-Hughes	Mr. Thomas Paterson		
Mr. R. W. Foster	Mr. Pratten		
Mr. Frederick Francis	Mr. Seabrook		
Mr. Josiah Francis	<i>Tellers :</i>		
Mr. Gardner	Mr. Hunter		
Mr. Gibson	Mr. Marr		
Mr. Roland Green			

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Debate resumed on amendment proposed by Mr. Forde to clause 4, sub-clause (2.), paragraph (c).

Limitation of Debate.—At 3 o'clock a.m., the Temporary Chairman having called the attention of the Committee to the fact that the time allotted had expired—

Question—That the words proposed to be omitted stand part of the clause—put.

The Committee divided—

Ayes, 26.		Noes, 11.	
Mr. Atkinson	Mr. Hurry	Mr. Anstey	Mr. McGrath
Mr. Bowden	Mr. Jackson	Mr. Brennan	Mr. Parker Moloney
Mr. Bruce	Mr. Lister	Mr. Coleman	<i>Tellers :</i>
Mr. Donald Cameron	Mr. Mackay	Mr. Forde	Mr. Cunningham
Mr. Malcolm Cameron	Mr. Mann	Mr. Gabb	Mr. Fenton
Mr. Robert Cook	Mr. Manning	Mr. Albert Green	
Mr. Corser	Mr. Earle Page	Mr. Lacey	
Mr. Duncan-Hughes	Mr. Thomas Paterson		
Mr. R. W. Foster	Mr. Pratten		
Mr. Frederick Francis	Mr. Seabrook		
Mr. Josiah Francis	<i>Tellers :</i>		
Mr. Gardner	Mr. Hunter		
Mr. Gibson	Mr. Marr		
Mr. Roland Green			

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Further question—That clause 4, as amended, and clauses 5 to 13, be agreed to—put and passed.

Clause 14—

Mr. Bruce moved, as an amendment, That after the word " Commonwealth " (line 43), the words " to Europe " be inserted.

Debate ensued.

Limitation of Debate.—At 4.30 o'clock a.m., the Temporary Chairman having called the attention of the Committee to the fact that the time allotted had expired—

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

The Committee divided—

Ayes, 25.		Noes, 10.	
Mr. Atkinson	Mr. Lister	Mr. Brennan	Mr. Lacey
Mr. Bowden	Mr. Mackay	Mr. Coleman	Mr. McGrath
Mr. Bruce	Mr. Mann	Mr. Cunningham	<i>Tellers :</i>
Mr. Donald Cameron	Mr. Manning	Mr. Forde	Mr. Gabb
Mr. Malcolm Cameron	Mr. Parker Moloney	Mr. Albert Green	Mr. Hunter
Mr. Robert Cook	Mr. Earle Page	Mr. Roland Green	
Mr. Corser	Mr. Thomas Paterson		
Mr. Duncan-Hughes	Mr. Pratten		
Mr. R. W. Foster	Mr. Seabrook		
Mr. Frederick Francis	<i>Tellers :</i>		
Mr. Josiah Francis	Mr. Fenton		
Mr. Gibson	Mr. Marr		
Mr. Hurry			
Mr. Jackson			

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

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Further question—That clause 14, as amended, and clauses 15 to 21, be agreed to—put and passed.
Clause 22—

Mr. Anstey moved, as an amendment, That after “ expenses ” (line 3) the words “ and other charges incurred by the Board or ” be omitted.

Debate ensued.

Limitation of Debate.—At 6 o'clock a.m., the Temporary Chairman having called the attention of the Committee to the fact that the time allotted had expired—

Question—That the words proposed to be omitted stand part of the clause—put.

The Committee divided—

Ayes, 25.		Noes, 11.	
Mr. Atkinson	Mr. Jackson	Mr. Anstey	Mr. Lacey
Mr. Bowden	Mr. Lister	Mr. Brennan	Mr. McGrath
Mr. Bruce	Mr. Mackay	Mr. Coleman	
Mr. Donald Cameron	Mr. Mann	Mr. Cunningham	
Mr. Malcolm Cameron	Mr. Manning	Mr. Forde	<i>Tellers :</i>
Mr. Corser	Mr. Earle Page	Mr. Gabb	Mr. Fenton
Mr. Duncan-Hughes	Mr. Thomas Paterson	Mr. Albert Green	Mr. Parker Moloney
Mr. R. W. Foster	Mr. Pratten		
Mr. Frederick Francis	Mr. Seabrook		
Mr. Josiah Francis			
Mr. Gardner	<i>Tellers :</i>		
Mr. Gibson			
Mr. Roland Green	Mr. Hunter		
Mr. Hurry	Mr. Marr		

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Further question—That the remainder of the Bill be agreed to, and that the Bill be reported with amendments—put and passed.

The House resumed ; Sir Neville Howse reported accordingly.

Mr. Bruce moved, That the Report be adopted.

Mr. Brennan moved, That the Bill be now recommitted to a Committee of the whole House for the reconsideration of clause 21.

Debate ensued.

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

Question—put and passed.

And the question being accordingly put—That the Bill be now recommitted to a Committee of the whole House for the reconsideration of clause 21—

The House divided—

Ayes, 11.		Noes, 26.	
Mr. Anstey	Mr. McGrath	Mr. Atkinson	Mr. Hurry
Mr. Brennan	Mr. Parker Moloney	Mr. Bowden	Mr. Jackson
Mr. Cunningham		Mr. Bruce	Mr. Lister
Mr. Forde		Mr. Donald Cameron	Mr. Mackay
Mr. Gabb	<i>Tellers :</i>	Mr. Malcolm Cameron	Mr. Mann
Mr. Albert Green	Mr. Coleman	Mr. Corser	Mr. Manning
Mr. Lacey	Mr. Fenton	Mr. Duncan-Hughes	Mr. Earle Page
		Mr. R. W. Foster	Mr. Thomas Paterson
		Mr. Frederick Francis	Mr. Pratten
		Mr. Josiah Francis	Mr. Seabrook
		Mr. Gardner	
		Mr. Gibson	<i>Tellers :</i>
		Mr. Roland Green	Mr. Hunter
		Sir Neville Howse	Mr. Marr

And so it was negatived.

Question of Order.—*Speaker's Ruling.*—Mr. Gabb having raised a question of Order that the Limitation of Debate having already been agreed to in the Committee, the Closure could not, under the Standing Orders, be applied to any proceedings in which time had been allotted in pursuance of Standing Order No. 262A—Mr. Speaker said that the House had no official knowledge of any Limitation of Debate agreed to by the Committee, and ruled that the proceedings in Committee could not govern the House.

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

Mr. Bruce moved, That the Bill be now read a third time.

Mr. Brennan rising to address the House—

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

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Question—That the question be now put—put.

The House divided—

Ayes, 25.

Mr. Atkinson	Mr. Jackson
Mr. Bowden	Mr. Lister
Mr. Bruce	Mr. Mackay
Mr. Donald Cameron	Mr. Mann
Mr. Malcolm Cameron	Mr. Manning
Mr. Corser	Mr. Earle Page
Mr. Duncan-Hughes	Mr. Thomas Paterson
Mr. R. W. Foster	Mr. Pratten
Mr. Frederick Francis	Mr. Seabrook
Mr. Josiah Francis	
Mr. Gardner	
Mr. Gibson	<i>Tellers :</i>
Sir Neville Howse	Mr. Hunter
Mr. Hurry	Mr. Marr

Noes, 11.

Mr. Anstey	Mr. McGrath
Mr. Brennan	Mr. Parker Moloney
Mr. Coleman	
Mr. Cunningham	<i>Tellers :</i>
Mr. Forde	Mr. Fenton
Mr. Albert Green	Mr. Gabb
Mr. Lacey	

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

And the question—That the Bill be now read a third time—was accordingly put and passed.—Bill read a third time.

Question of Order.—Speaker's Ruling.—Mr. Gabb having asked Mr. Speaker whether the Temporary Chairman of Committees was in order in accepting a motion in the Committee fixing the limitation of the debate on the third reading of the Bill—

Mr. Speaker stated that the Speaker does not rule as to whether an action by the Chairman is in order, because the Committee of the Whole has control of its own procedure. Mr. Speaker then ruled that a time limit imposed in Committee on the proceedings in the Committee would be regular, but that the Committee could not impose a time limit on the proceedings of the House.

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

Question—put and passed.

And then the House, at seventeen minutes to seven o'clock in the morning adjourned until this day at three o'clock p.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT.—All Members were present (at some time during the sitting) except—Mr. Bayley*, Mr. Blakeley*, Sir Austin Chapman, Mr. Charlton*, Sir Littleton Groom*, Mr. Hill*, Mr. Killen*, Mr. Lambert, Mr. Lazzarini, Mr. Mahony, Mr. Makin, Mr. W. Maloney*, Mr. Marks*, Mr. Maxwell, Mr. Charles McDonald*, Mr. Frederick McDonald, Mr. Nelson, Mr. Prowse*, Mr. E. C. Riley, Sir Granville Ryrie*, Mr. Thompson, Mr. Watkins, Mr. Whitsitt, and Mr. Yates*.

* On leave.

FRANK L. CLAPIN,
Acting Clerk of the House of Representatives.