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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

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WEEKLY REPORT OF DIVISIONS IN COMMITTEE
OF THE WHOLE.WEEK ENDED 27TH SEPTEMBER, 1901.THURSDAY, 26TH SEPTEMBER, 1901.No. 1.—*Immigration Restriction Bill*—Clause 4—

4. The immigration into the Commonwealth of the persons described in any of the following paragraphs of this section (hereinafter called "prohibited immigrants") is prohibited, namely :—

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- (a) Any person who when asked to do so by an officer fails to write out and sign in the presence of the officer a passage of fifty words in length in the English language dictated by the officer;
- (b) any person likely in the opinion of the Minister or of an officer to become a charge upon the public or upon any public or charitable institution;
- (c) any idiot or insane person;
- (d) any person suffering from an infectious or contagious disease of a loathsome or dangerous character;
- (e) any person who has within three years been convicted of an offence, not being a mere political offence, and has been sentenced to imprisonment for one year or longer therefor, and has not received a pardon;
- (f) any prostitute or person living on the prostitution of others.

But the following are excepted :—

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—(Mr. Barton.)

Amendment proposed—That the following new paragraph be inserted in the clause before paragraph (a) :—

"(aa) Any person who is an aboriginal native of Asia, Africa, or of the islands thereof;"—
(Mr. Watson).

Question—That the paragraph proposed to be inserted in the clause be so inserted—put.

The Committee divided—

Ayes, 31.

Mr. Bamford,	Mr. O'Malley,
Mr. Brown,	Mr. Page,
Mr. Conroy,	Mr. Poynton,
Mr. Joseph Cook,	Mr. Reid,
Mr. Cruickshank,	Mr. Ronald,
Mr. G. B. Edwards,	Mr. Sydney Smith,
Mr. Fisher,	Mr. E. Solomon,
Mr. Fowler,	Mr. Spence,
Mr. Fuller,	Mr. Thomas,
Mr. Glynn,	Mr. Tudor,
Mr. Higgins,	Mr. Watkins,
Mr. Kirwan,	Mr. Watson,
Mr. Mahon,	Mr. Wilks.
Mr. McDonald,	
Mr. F. E. McLean,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Sir William	Mr. Batchelor,
McMillan,	Mr. Hughes.

Noes, 36.

Mr. Barton,	Mr. Manifold,
Sir Langdon	Mr. Mauger,
Bonython,	Mr. McColl,
Sir Edward Braddon,	Sir Malcolm
Mr. Chapman,	McEacharn,
Mr. Clarke,	Mr. A. McLean,
Mr. Winter Cooke,	Mr. Paterson,
Mr. Deakin,	Mr. Piesse,
Mr. R. Edwards,	Sir John Quick,
Mr. Ewing,	Mr. Sawers,
Sir John Forrest,	Mr. Skene,
Sir Philip Fysh,	Mr. Bruce Smith,
Mr. A. C. Groom,	Mr. Thomson,
Mr. L. E. Groom,	Sir George Turner,
Mr. Harper,	Mr. Wilkinson.
Mr. Isaacs,	
Mr. Kennedy,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Kingston,	
Mr. Knox,	Mr. Hume Cook,
Sir William Lyne,	Mr. McCay.
Mr. Macdonald-	
Paterson,	

And so it passed in the negative.