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THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

No. 5.

WEEKLY REPORT OF DIVISIONS IN COMMITTEE.

WEEK ENDED 31st JULY, 1903.

FRIDAY, 31st JULY, 1903.

No. 9.—Papua (British New Guinea) Bill—Clause 19 (as amended)—

19. The Lieutenant-Governor may, in Fursuance of any Ordinance, make and execute, under the Public Seal of the Territory, in the name and on behaviors of the King, grants and dispositions of any land within the Territory which may be lawfully granted or disposed of in the name of the King in conformity with the laws of the Territory.

-(Minister for External Affairs.)

Further amendment proposed—That the following words be added to the clause:—"Provided that no grant of Crown land shall be made for any freehold estate."

-(Mr. Kirwan.)

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

The Committee divided-

| Ayes, 33. | | Noes, 19. | | |
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| Mr. Bamford, Mr. Batchelor, Mr. Brown, Mr. Clarke, Mr. Hume Cook, Mr. Joseph Cook, Mr. Crouch, Mr. Cruickshank, Mr. G. B. Edwards, Mr. R. Edwards, Mr. Fisher, Mr. Fowler, Mr. Fuller, Mr. L. E. Groom, Mr. Higgins, Mr. Hughes, Mr. Kirwan, | Mr. McCay, Mr. McDonald, Mr. O'Malley, Mr. Page, Mr. Paterson, Mr. Ronald, Mr. Salmon, Mr. Sydney Smith, Mr. E. Solomon, Mr. Spence, Mr. Thomas, Mr. Tudor, Mr. Watkins. Tellers. Mr. Watson, | Sir Edmund Barton, Mr. Chapman, Mr. Winter Cooke, Mr. Deakin, Sir John Forrest, Sir Philip Fysh, Mr. Kingston, Mr. Knox, Sir William Lyne, Mr. Manifold, Sir William McMillan, | Mr. Phillips, Mr. Sawers, Mr. Skene, Mr. V. L. Solomon, Mr. Thomson, Mr. Willis. Tellers. Mr. Ewing, Mr. A. C. Groom. | |
| Mr. Mahon, | Mr. Wilks. | Ι, | MICOLD CONTRACT | |

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

No. 10.—Papua (British New Guinea) Bill—Clause 24—

24. The Lieutenant-Governor shall alone be entitled to submit questions to the Executive Council for advice or decision; but if the Lieutenant-Governor declines to submit any question to the Council when requested in writing by any member so to do, that member may require that his written request, together with the answer of the Lieutenant-Governor thereto, be recorded on the minutes.

-(Minister for External Affairs.)

Question—That the clause stand as printed—put.

The Committee divided-

| Ayes, 22. | | Noes, 21. | | |
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| Sir Edmund Barton, | Sir William | Mr. Batchelor, | Mr. E. Solomon, | |
| Mr. Winter Cooke, | McMillan, | Mr. Brown, | Mr. Spence, | |
| Mr. G. B. Edwards, | Mr. Paterson, | Mr. Hume Cook, | Mr. Thomas, | |
| Mr. R. Edwards, | Mr. Salmon, | Mr. Joseph Cook, | Mr. Tudor, | |
| Sir John Forrest, | Mr. Skene, | Mr. Fisher, | Mr. Watkins, | |
| Sir Philip Fysh, | Mr. Sydney Smith, | Mr. Fowler, | Mr. Wilks, | |
| Mr. Kingston, | Mr. V. L. Solomon, | Mr. Fuller, | Mr. Willis. | |
| Mr. Kirwan, | Mr. Thomson. | Mr. Higgins, | | |
| Mr. Knox, | | Mr. Hughes, | Tellers. | |
| Sir William Lyne, | Tellers. | Mr. Mahon, | 1 etters. | |
| Mr. Manifold, | . 1 etters. | Mr. McDonald, | Mr. O'Malley, | |
| Mr. McCay, | Mr. Chapman, | Mr. Ronald, | Mr. Watson. | |
| Mr. A. McLean. | Mr. Clarke. | | | |

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.