THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA.

No. 47.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

THURSDAY, 10TH JUNE, 1926.

- 1. The House met, at half-past two o'clock p.m., pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker (the Honorable Sir Littleton Groom) took the Chair, and read Prayers.
- 2. PAPER.—The following Paper was presented, pursuant to Statute—

Northern Territory Acceptance Act and Northern Territory (Administration) Act—Ordinance of 1926—No 13—Foreign Companies.

3. Constitution Alteration (Industry and Commerce) 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.)

Clause 2 debated.

On the motion of Mr. Bruce (Prime Minister), the following amendment was made, after debate:—Page 1, after line 7, insert—

"(a) by omitting from paragraph (xx.) the words 'Foreign corporations, and trading or financial corporations formed within the limits of the Commonwealth', and inserting in their stead the words 'Corporations, including—

(a) the creation, regulation, control and dissolution of corporations;

- (b) the regulation, control and dissolution of corporations formed under the law of a State; and
- (c) the regulation and control of foreign corporations;

but not including municipal or governmental corporations, or any corporation formed solely for religious, charitable, scientific or artistic purposes, or any corporation not formed for the acquisition of gain by the corporation or its members';".

Mr. Watt moved, as a further amendment, That the words "Establishing authorities with such powers as the Parliament confers on them with respect to" (page 1, lines 12-14) be omitted. Debate ensued.

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

The Committee divided—

Ayes, 35.

Mr. Ley Mr. Aubrey Abbott Mr. Atkinson Mr. Lister Mr. Mackay Mr. Bell Mr. Manning Mr. Bruce Mr. Donald Cameron Mr. Marr Mr. Maxwell Mr. Malcolm Cameron Mr. Robert Cook Mr. Nott Mr. R. W. Foster Mr. Earle Page Mr. Grosvenor Francis Mr. Parsons Mr. Thomas Paterson Mr. Gardner Sir John Gellibrand Mr. Perkins Mr. Pratten Mr. Gibson Sir Granville Ryric Mr. Roland Green Mr. Gregory Mr. Seabrook Mr. Gullett Mr. Hill Tellers:

Mr. Hunter

Mr. Prowse

Noes, 18.

Mr. Brennan	Mr. E. C. Riley
Mr. Charlton	Mr. Scullin
Mr. Coleman	Mr. Stewart
Mr. Albert Green	Mr. Watkins
Mr. Hughes	Mr. William Watson
Mr. Mahony	Mr. Watt
Mr. W. Maloney	
Mr. McGrath	Tellers :
Mr. Parker Moloney	Mr. Fenton
Mr. Edward Riley	Mr. Lacey
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And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Sir Neville Howse

Mr. Hurry

Mr. Latham

10th June, 1926.

On the motion of Mr. Bruce, the following further amendments were made:-

Page 2, line 6, after "combinations" insert "(whether composed of individuals or corporations or both)".

Page 2, lines 9 and 10, omit "dissolution, regulation and control", insert "regulation, control and dissolution".

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

Preamble agreed to.

Title agreed to.

Bill to be reported with amendments.

The House resumed; Mr. Bayley reported accordingly.

On the motion of Mr. Bruce, by leave, the House adopted the Report. Mr. Bruce moved, by leave, That the Bill be now read a third time.

Debate ensued.

Question-put.

The House divided-

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Noes, 2.

Tellers: Mr. Gregory Mr. Rodgers

Mr. Aubrey Abbott	Mr. Latham
Mr. Atkinson	Mr. Ley
Mr. Bayley	Mr. Lister
Mr. Bell	Mr. Mackay
Mr. Brennan	Mr. Manning
Mr. Bruce	Mr. Marr
Mr. Donald Cameron	Mr. Maxwell
Mr. Malcolm Cameron	Mr. Nott
Mr. Charlton	Mr. Earle Page
Mr. Coleman	Mr. Parsons
Mr. Robert Cook	Mr. Thomas Paterson
Mr. R. W. Foster	Mr. Perkins
Mr. Grosvenor Francis	Mr. Pratten

Mr. Gardner Mr. Prowse

Mr. Edward Riley Sir John Gellibrand Mr. E. C. Riley Mr. Gibson Mr. Albert Green Sir Granville Ryrie Mr. Roland Green Mr. Seabrook

Mr. Gullett Mr. Stewart Mr. Watt Mr. Hill

Sir Neville Howse

Tellers: Mr. Hughes Mr. Fenton Mr. Hurry Mr. Lacey Mr. Hunter

And so the question-That the Bill be now read a third time-was resolved in the affirmative by an absolute majority of the House.

Bill accordingly read a third time.

4. ADJOURNMENT.—Mr. Bruce (Prime Minister) moved, That the House do now adjourn. Question—put and passed.

And then the House, at twenty minutes to twelve o'clock midnight, adjourned until to-morrow at eleven o'clock a.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT.- All Members were present (at some time during the sitting) except-Mr. Anstey, Mr. Blakeley, Mr. Bowden, Mr. Corser*, Mr. Forde, Mr. Jackson, Mr. Killen, Mr. Marks, and Mr. Thompson. • On leave.

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