THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA, CANBERRA.

No. 195.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

WEDNESDAY, 5TH SEPTEMBER, 1928.

- 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. ADJOURNMENT-MOTION FOR PURPOSE OF DISCUSSION.—Mr. Forde 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, "The need for action before Parliament is dissolved to give effective protection to Australian industries, with special reference to the manufacturers of cotton yarns, so that they will be able to purchase next season's cotton crop, thus ensuring to the cotton growers a local market for their product."

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. Forde moved, That the House do now adjourn.

Debate ensued.

Question—put.

The House divided—

Ayes, 16.		Noes,	Noes, 38.	
Mr. Anstey Mr. Blakeley Mr. Brennan Mr. Coleman Mr. Forde Mr. Albert Green Mr. W. Maloney Mr. Mathews Mr. Edward Riley	Mr. E. C. Riley Mr. Scullin Mr. Theodore Mr. West Mr. Yates *Tellers:* Mr. Fenton Mr. Makin	Mr. Aubrey Abbott Mr. Atkinson Mr. Bayley Mr. Bell Mr. Bowden Mr. Bruce Mr. Donald Cameron Mr. Robert Cook Mr. Duncan-Hughes Mr. R. W. Foster Mr. Josiah Francis Mr. Gardner Sir John Gellibrand Mr. Gibson Mr. Gregory Mr. Guliett Mr. Hill Sir Neville Howse Mr. Hughes Mr. Hurry	Mr. Killen Mr. Latham Mr. Ley Mr. Lister Mr. Mann Mr. Marr Mr. Maxwell Mr. Earle Page Mr. Parkhill Mr. Parsons Mr. Perkins Mr. Graham Pratten	•

And so it was negatived.

3. Papers.—The following Papers were presented, pursuant to Statute—

Tariff Board Act-Tariff Board-Annual Report for 1927-28, together with Schedule of Recommendations.

Ordered—That the Report be printed.

Canned Fruits Export Control Act-Second Annual Report of the Canned Fruits Control Board, for year ended 30th June, 1928, together with a statement by the Minister regarding the operation of the Act.

5th September, 1928.

Dairy Produce Export Control Act-Third Annual Report of the Dairy Produce Control Board, for year ended 30th June, 1928, together with a statement by the Minister regarding the operation of the Act.

Dried Fruits Export Control Act-Fourth Annual Report of the Dried Fruits Control Board, for year ended 30th June, 1928, together with a statement by the Minister regarding the operation

of the Act.

Severally ordered to be printed.

Canned Fruit Bounty Act—Return for 1927-28.

Cotton Bounty Act—Return for 1927–28.
Iron and Steel Products Bounty Act—Return for 1927–28.

Papua and New Guinea Bounties Act—Return for 1927-28.

Power Alcohol Bounty Act—Return for 1927–28. Shale Oil Bounty Act—Return for 1927–28. Sulphur Bounty Act—Return for 1927–28.

Wine Export Bounty Act—Return for 1927-28.

4. INCOME TAX ASSESSMENT BILL (1928).—Mr. Earle Page (Treasurer) moved, pursuant to notice. That he have leave to bring in a Bill for an Act to amend the Income Tax Assessment Act 1922-1927 and for other purposes.

Question—put and passed.

- 5. LAND TAX ASSESSMENT BILL (1928).—Mr. Earle Page (Treasurer) moved, pursuant to notice, That he have leave to bring in a Bill for an Act to amend Sections thirteen, forty-four L, and forty-nine of the Land Tax Assessment Act 1910-1927. Question—put and passed.
- 6. ESTATE DUTY ASSESSMENT BILL (1928).—Mr. Earle Page (Treasurer) moved, pursuant to notice, That he have leave to bring in a Bill for an Act to amend the Estate Duty Assessment Act 1914-1922 and for other purposes.

Question—put and passed.

7. MESSAGE FROM THE DEPUTY OF THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL.—INVALID AND OLD-AGE PENSIONS BILL (1928).—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor-General's Deputy was presented, and the same was read by Mr. Speaker :-

W. P. CULLEN,

Deputy of the Governor-General.

Message No. 114.

In accordance with the requirements of section 56 of the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Australia, the Deputy of the Governor-General recommends to the House of Representatives that an appropriation of revenue be made for the purposes of a Bill for an Act to amend sections four, thirty-one, forty-five and forty-seven of the Invalid and Old-age Pensions Act 1908-1926. Sydney, 4th September, 1928.

Ordered-That the foregoing Message be taken into consideration, in Committee of the whole House, forthwith.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole.

(In the Committee.)

Mr. Earle Page (Treasurer) moved, That it is expedient that an appropriation of revenue be made for the purposes of a Bill for an Act to amend sections four, thirty-one, forty-five and forty-seven of the Invalid and Old-age Pensions Act 1908-1926.

Question—put and passed.

Resolution to be reported.

The House resumed; Mr. Hurry 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 Neville Howse do prepare and bring in a Bill to carry out the foregoing Resolution.

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.

Debate ensued.

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.)

Bill, by leave, taken as a whole, and agreed to, after debate. Bill to be reported without amendment.

The House resumed; Mr. Bayley reported accordingly.
On the motion of Mr. Earle Page, the House adopted the Report, and the Bill was read a third time.

8. Message from the Governor-General.—Loan Bill (No. 2) (1928).—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor-General was presented, and the same was read by Mr. Speaker:—STONEHAVEN,

Governor-General.

Message No. 115.

In accordance with the requirements of section 56 of the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Australia, the Governor-General recommends to the House of Representatives that an appropriation of moneys be made for the purposes of a Bill for an Act to authorize the Raising and Expending of certain Sums of Money.

Brisbane, 7th August, 1928.

Ordered—That the foregoing Message be taken into consideration, in Committee of the whole House, forthwith.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole.

(In the Committee.)

Mr. Earle Page (Treasurer) moved, That it is expedient that an appropriation of moneys be made for the purposes of a Bill for an Act to authorize the Raising and Expending of certain Sums of Money.

Question – put and passed. Resolution to be reported.

The House resumed; Mr. Bayley 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 Mr. Gibson do prepare and bring in a Bill to carry out the foregoing Resolution.

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.)

Clauses 1 to 4 agreed to.

Schedule debated-

Appropriation—"War and Repatriation Services, £1,538,745"—agreed to. Appropriation—"Prime Minister's Department, £250,000"—debated.

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

The House resumed; Mr. Bayley reported accordingly. Resolved—That the House will, at the next sitting, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

9. Adjournment.—Mr. Gibson (Postmaster-General) moved, That the House do now adjourn, Question—put and passed.

And then the House, at six minutes past eleven o'clock p.m., adjourned until to-morrow at half-past two o'clock p.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT.—All Members were present (at some time during the sitting) except—
Mr. Malcolm Cameron, Mr. Charlton, Mr. Grosvenor Francis, Mr. Roland Green, Mr. Jackson,
Sir Elliot Johnson, Mr. Lacey, Mr. Lambert, Mr. Mackay, Mr. Marks, Mr. McGrath, Mr. Parker
Moioney, Mr. Nelson, Mr. Nott, Mr. Thomas Paterson, Mr. Prowse, Mr. Rodgers, and Mr. Watkins.

E. W. Parkes,

Clerk of the House of Representatives.