

THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA,
CANBERRA.

No. 28.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

THURSDAY, 15TH AUGUST, 1929.

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. SUSPENSION OF STANDING ORDERS—PRECEDENCE TO WANT OF CONFIDENCE MOTION.—Mr. Bruce (Prime Minister) moved, by leave, That so much of the Standing and Sessional Orders be suspended as will enable the Notice of Motion No. 1 (Want of Confidence in the Government) to take precedence of all other Business until disposed of.
Question—put and passed.
3. WANT OF CONFIDENCE IN THE GOVERNMENT.—Mr. Theodore (Deputy-Leader of the Opposition) moved, pursuant to notice, That, by its withdrawal of the lock-out prosecution against the wealthy colliery proprietor, John Brown, after its vigorous prosecutions of trade unionists, the Government has shown that in the administration of the law it unjustly discriminates between the rich and the poor, and that as a consequence the Government has forfeited the confidence of this House.
Debate ensued.
Member named.—The Deputy-Speaker (Mr. Bayley) named the honorable Member for Maribyrnong (Mr. Fenton) for disregarding the authority of the Chair.
Mr. Bruce (Prime Minister) having addressed the House, and Mr. Fenton having expressed his regret, the matter was not further proceeded with.
Debate continued.
Mr. Anstey moved, That the debate be now adjourned.
Question—That the debate be now adjourned—put and passed.
Ordered—That the resumption of the debate be made an Order of the Day for the next sitting.
4. PAPERS.—The following Papers were presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor-General—
 - Elections and Referendums—Statistical Returns in relation to the Senate Elections, 1928; the General Elections for the House of Representatives, 1928; the submission to the Electors of a Proposed Law for the alteration of the Constitution, entitled "Constitution Alteration (State Debts) 1928"; together with Summaries of Elections and Referendums, 1903–1928.
 - Elections, 1928—
 - Statistical Returns showing the Voting within each Subdivision in relation to the Senate Election, 1928, and the General Elections for the House of Representatives, 1928, for Victoria.
 - Statistical Returns showing the Voting within each Subdivision in relation to the General Election for the House of Representatives, 1928, for the Northern Territory.
 - Rabaul—Report of Commissioner (Brigadier-General T. Griffiths) appointed to inquire into and report upon matters relating to mass meetings of natives at mission stations, Malaguna, January, 1929; together with evidence.
 The following Papers were presented, pursuant to Statute—
 - Air Force Act—Regulations Amended—Statutory Rules 1929, No. 75.
 - Air Navigation Act, Regulations Amended, &c.—Statutory Rules 1929, Nos. 48, 49.
 - Arbitration (Public Service) Act—Determinations by the Arbitrator, &c. :—
 - No. 6 of 1929—Commonwealth Public Service Artisans' Association.
 - Nos. 7 and 8 of 1929—Commonwealth Public Service Clerical Association.

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- No. 9 of 1929—Amalgamated Postal Workers' Union of Australia.
 No. 10 of 1929—Federated Public Service Assistants' Association.
 No. 11 of 1929—Commonwealth Medical Officers' Association.
 No. 12 of 1929—Fourth Division Officers' Association of the Trade and Customs Department.
 No. 13 of 1929—Commonwealth Public Service Artisans' Association.
 No. 14 of 1929—Australian Third Division Telegraphists and Postal Clerks' Union.
 No. 15 of 1929—Arms, Explosives and Mmunition Workers' Federation of Australia, Amalgamated Engineering Union, and Australasian Society of Engineers.
 No. 16 of 1929—Arms, Explosives, and Mmunition Workers' Federation of Australia.
 Nos. 17 and 18 of 1929—Amalgamated Postal Workers' Union of Australia.
- Audit Act—
 Regulations Amended—Statutory Rules 1929, Nos. 31, 33, 68.
 Transfers of amounts approved by the Governor-General in Council—Financial Year 1928-29—
 Dated 22nd March, 1929.
 Dated 6th June, 1929.
- Australian Imperial Force Canteens Funds Act—Ninth Annual Report by the Trustees, 1st July, 1928, to 30th June, 1929 (including the Sir Samuel McCaughey Bequest for the Technical Education of Soldiers' Children).
- Commerce (Trade Descriptions) Act—Regulations Amended—Statutory Rules 1929, No. 37.
- Cotton Bounty Act—Return for 1928-29.
- Defence Act—Regulations Amended, &c.—Statutory Rules 1929, Nos. 29, 34, 38, 51, 59, 70, 71.
- Development and Migration Act—Second Annual Report of the Development and Migration Commission, for the period ending 31st December, 1928.
- Electoral Act (Commonwealth) and Electoral Acts (State of South Australia)—Amended Regulations relating to Joint Electoral Rolls, South Australia—Statutory Rules 1929, No. 57.
- Electoral Act (Commonwealth) and Electoral Acts (State of Tasmania)—Amended Regulations relating to Joint Electoral Rolls, Tasmania—Statutory Rules 1929, No. 78.
- Estate Duty Assessment Act—Regulations Amended—Statutory Rules 1929, No. 32.
- Excise Act—Regulations Amended—Statutory Rules 1929, No. 74.
- Export Guarantee Act—Returns showing assistance granted to—
 31st March, 1929.
 30th June, 1929.
- Housing Act—Regulations Amended—Statutory Rules 1929, No. 46.
- Iron and Steel Products Bounty Act—Return for 1928-29.
- Land Tax Assessment Act—Regulations Amended—Statutory Rules 1929, No. 45.
- Lands Acquisition Act—Land acquired at—
 Fitzroy, Victoria—For Public purposes.
 Launceston, Tasmania—For Postal purposes.
 Tully, Queensland—For Postal purposes.
- Naval Defence Act—Regulations Amended—Statutory Rules 1929, Nos. 35, 64, 72.
- New Guinea Act—Ordinances of 1929—
 No. 3—Electric Light and Power.
 No. 4—Laws Repeal and Adopting.
 No. 5—Public Service.
 No. 6—Land.
 No. 7—Administrator's Powers.
 No. 8—Explosives (No. 2).
 No. 9—Supply (No. 1) 1929-30.
 No. 10—Superannuation.
- Norfolk Island Act—Ordinance of 1929—No. 5—Customs.
- Northern Australia Act—
 Central Australia—
 Ordinances of 1929—
 No. 4—Public Service.
 No. 5—Interpretation.
 No. 6—Printers and Newspapers.
 No. 7—Birds Protection.
 No. 8—Supreme Court of Central Australia.
 No. 9—Registration of Births and Deaths.
 Crown Lands Ordinance—Regulations.
- North Australia—
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Papua and New Guinea Bounties Act—Return for 1928–29.

Post and Telegraph Act—Regulations Amended—

Statutory Rules 1928, Nos. 97, 99, 123.

Statutory Rules 1929, Nos. 14, 15, 16, 65, 80.

Power Alcohol Bounty Act—Return for 1928–29.

Public Service Act—

Appointments—Department of—

Health—W. W. Hurst; G. R. Osborn.

Home Affairs—A. R. Hogg; R. W. McNair.

Postmaster-General—A. J. McKenzie.

Treasury—L. F. Johnston.

Regulations Amended—

Statutory Rules 1928, No. 113.

Statutory Rules 1929, Nos. 36, 66, 67.

Quarantine Act—Regulations Amended—Statutory Rules 1929, Nos. 50, 82.

Railways Act—By-law No. 52.

Seat of Government Acceptance Act and Seat of Government (Administration) Act—

Ordinances of 1929—

No. 3—Queanbeyan Lease.

No. 4—Lotteries and Art Unions.

No. 5—Rates.

No. 6—Amendments Incorporation.

No. 7—Interpretation.

No. 8—Meat.

No. 9—Weights and Measures.

No. 10—Federal Capital Commission's Arms.

No. 11—Statistics.

No. 12—Rates (No. 2).

No. 13—City Area Leases.

No. 14—Leases (Special Purposes).

No. 15—Liquor.

Seat of Government (Administration) Act—

By-laws—Statutory Rules 1929, No. 27.

Order for variation of plan of layout of the City of Canberra and Environs, dated 24th April, 1929.

Regulations Amended—Statutory Rules 1929, No. 30.

Shale Oil Bounty Act—Return for 1928–29.

Sulphur Bounty Act—Return for 1928–29.

Treaty of Peace (Germany) Act—Regulations Amended—Statutory Rules 1929, No. 73.

Wine Export Bounty Act—Return for 1928–29.

Wireless Telegraphy Act—Regulations Amended—Statutory Rules 1928, No. 129.

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

Question—put and passed.

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

MEMBERS PRESENT.—All Members were present (at some time during the sitting) except—Mr. Blakeley, Mr. Marr, Mr. Mathews, Mr. McGrath, Mr. McWilliams, and Mr. Scullin.

E. W. PARKES,
Clerk of the House of Representatives.