1929-30-31.

THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA, CANBERRA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

No. 133.

TUESDAY, 28TH APRIL, 1931.

- 1. The House met, at three o'clock p.m., pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker (the Honorable Norman J. O. Makin) took the Chair, and offered Prayers.
- 2. PAPERS.— The following Papers were presented, pursuant to Statute—
 - Public Works Committee Act—Sixteenth General Report of the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Public Works.

Seat of Government Acceptance Act and Seat of Government (Administration) Act-Ordinance of 1931-No. 5-Rates.

3. COMMONWEALTH BANK BILL (1931).—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 6 debated—

Mr. Eldridge moved, as an amendment, That all the words after "thereof" (page 2, line 29) be omitted.

Debate continued.

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Question—That the words proposed to be omitted stand part of the clause—put. The Committee divided (The Chairman, Mr. McGrath, in the Chair)—

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Ayes, 49.					
Mr. Bayley	Mr.	Lacey			
Mr. Bell		Latham			
Mr. Blakeley	Mr.	Lewis			
Mr. Brennan		Long			
Mr. Donald Cameron					
Mr. Malcolm Cameron					
Mr. Chifley	Mr.	W. Maloney			
Mr. Bernard Corser	Mr.	Marks			
Mr. Culley	Mr.	Marr			
Mr. Cunningham	Mr.	Martens			
Mr. Cusack	Mr.	Maxwell			
Mr. Fenton	Mr.	McNeill			
Mr. Forde	Mr.	Parker Moloney			
Mr. Josiah Francis	Mr.	Nairn			
Mr. Frost	Mr.	Parkhill			
Mr. Gabb	Mr.	Price			
Mr. Gibbons		Prowse			
Mr. Albert Green		Riordan			
Mr. Gregory	Mr.	Rowe			
Mr. Guy		Scullin			
Mr. Holloway	Mr.	Tully			
Mr. Hughes					
Mr. Hunter	7	Cellers:			
Mr. Jones	-				
Mr. Keane	Mr.	Coleman			
Mr. Killen	Mr.	Watkins			
And so it was resolved in the affirmative.					

Noes, 3.

Mr. Eldridge

Tellers: Mr. Beasley Mr. Lazzarini

Question—That the clau The Committee divided	use be agreed to—put. (The Chairman, Mr. McGra	th, in the Chair)
Ayes	, 29.	
Mr. Anstey Mr. Beasley Mr. Blakeley Mr. Brennan Mr. Chifley Mr. Culley Mr. Culley Mr. Cunningham Mr. Cusack Mr. Eldridge	 g, 29. Mr. Lazzarini Mr. Lewis Mr. Long Mr. Makin Mr. W. Maloney Mr. Martens Mr. MeNeill Mr. Riordan Mr. Rowe Mr. Scullin Mr. Tully 	Mr. Bell Mr. Donald C Mr. Bernard Mr. Fenton Mr. Josiah Fr Mr. Gabb Mr. Gregory Mr. Guy Mr. Hughes Mr. Hughes Mr. Killen Mr. Latham Mr. Mackay
Mr. Holloway Mr. Jones	Tellers:	
Mr. Keane Mr. Lacey	Mr. Coleman Mr. Watkins	

Noes, 21.					
Mr.	Bell		Mr.	Marks	
Mr.	Donald (Cameron	Mr.	Marr	
Mr.	Bernard	Corser	Mr.	Maxwell	
Mr.	Fenton		Mr.	Nairn	
Mr.	Josiah F	rancis	Mr.	Parkhill	
Mr.	Gabb		Mr.	Price	
Mr.	Gregory		Mr.	Prowse	
	Guy				
Mr.	Hughes		1	"ellers:	
	Killen		-		
Mr.	Latham		Mr.	Bayley	
Mr.	Mackay		Mr.	Hunter	

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Clause 7 agreed to.

Title agreed to.

Bill to be reported with an amendment.

The House resumed ; Mr. McGrath reported accordingly.

Mr. Scullin (Prime Minister) moved, That the Bill be now recommitted to a Committee of the whole House for the reconsideration of clause 4.

Question—put and passed.

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

On recommittal— Clause 4(In the Committee.)

On the motion of Mr. Scullin, the following amendment was made :---

After "section " (sub-section (4.) of proposed new section 60HA) omit "contracts and agreements, of such class as is specified in the notice," insert "any contract or agreement specified in the notice or a contract or agreement of any class so specified,".

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

Bill to be reported with a further amendment.

The House resumed; Mr. McGrath reported accordingly.

On the motion of Mr. Scullin, the House, by leave, adopted the Reports, and, by leave, the Bill was read a third time.

4. WAYS AND MEANS [CUSTOMS TARIFF AMENDMENT (No. 9) AND EXCISE TARIFF AMENDMENT (No. 9)].---The House, according to order, resolved itself into the Committee of Ways and Means.

(In the Committee.)

[See proposed Resolutions for Customs and Excise Tariff Amendment of the 26th March, 1931 (pages 508-569).]

General debate ensued on the first Item of the Customs Tariff. Progress to be reported, and leave asked to sit again.

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

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

Question—put and passed.

- And then the House, at four minutes past ten 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. Crouch, Mr. Gardner, Mr. Roland Green, Mr. Hawker, Mr. Hill, Mr. James, Mr. Lyons, Mr. Mathews, Mr. Morgan, Mr. Earle Page, Mr. Thomas Paterson, Mr. Edward Riley, Mr. E. C. Riley, Mr. Stewart, Mr. Theodore, Mr. Thompson, Mr. Ward, Mr. White, and Mr. Yates.

E. W. PARKES,

Clerk of the House of Representatives.

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