

1932.

THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA,
CANBERRA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

No. 69.

THURSDAY, 24TH NOVEMBER, 1932.

1. The House met, at half-past two o'clock p.m., pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker (the Honorable G. H. Mackay) took the Chair, and read Prayers.

2. ADJOURNMENT-MOTION FOR PURPOSE OF DISCUSSION.—Mr. Hutchin 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 necessity for immediate action in connexion with the *Navigation Act*, in view of its baneful effect upon Australian trade and commerce in general and upon Tasmania in particular."

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. Hutchin moved, That the House do now adjourn.

Debate ensued.

Closure moved.—Mr. Ward moved, That the question be now put.

Question—That the question be now put—put.

The House divided (The Speaker, Mr. Mackay, in the Chair)—

Ayes, 22.

Mr. Aubrey Abbott	Mr. Martens
Mr. Anstey	Mr. Nairn
Mr. Baker	Mr. Prowse
Mr. Beasley	Mr. Riordan
Mr. Blakeley	Mr. Rosevear
Mr. Forde	Mr. Scullin
Mr. Albert Green	Mr. Thompson
Mr. Holloway	Mr. Ward
Mr. Hutchin	
Mr. James	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. George Lawson	Mr. Gander
Mr. Makin	Mr. E. C. Riley

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Mr. Bell	Mr. Lane
Mr. Blacklow	Mr. Latham
Mr. Malcolm Cameron	Mr. John Lawson
Mr. Casey	Mr. Lyons
Mr. Thomas Collins	Mr. Marr
Mr. Bernard Corser	Mr. Maxwell
Mr. Dennis	Mr. McBride
Mr. Fenton	Mr. McClelland
Mr. Josiah Francis	Mr. McGrath
Mr. Gabb	Mr. Nock
Mr. Gibson	Mr. Thomas Paterson
Mr. Gregory	Mr. Perkins
Sir Littleton Groom	Mr. Price
Mr. Guy	Mr. Scholfield
Mr. E. F. Harrison	Mr. Frederick Stewart
Mr. E. J. Harrison	Mr. Thorby
Mr. Hawker	Mr. White
Mr. Hill	
Mr. Holman	
Mr. Hunter	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. Hutchinson	Mr. Gardner
Mr. Jennings	Mr. McNicoll

And so it was negatived.

The debate having been continued for two hours, it was interrupted in accordance with Standing Order No. 257B.

3. PAPER.—The following Paper was presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor-General—Wool Industry of Australia—Report by the Commonwealth Wool Inquiry Committee (dated 26th October, 1932).

Ordered to lie on the Table.

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4. WAR SERVICE HOMES AGREEMENT BILL (1932).—Mr. Josiah Francis (Minister administering War Service Homes), pursuant to leave given on the 23rd instant, brought up a Bill intituled “ *A Bill for an Act to approve an Agreement made between His Majesty’s Government of the Commonwealth of Australia and the Commissioners of the State Savings Bank of Victoria and for other purposes* ”, and moved, That it be now read a first time.
Question—put and passed.—Bill read a first time.
Ordered—That the second reading be made an Order of the Day for the next sitting.
5. PRINTING COMMITTEE—APPOINTMENT OF MR. JENNINGS IN PLACE OF MR. FREDERICK STEWART.—Mr. Lyons (Prime Minister) moved, by leave, That Mr. Frederick Stewart be discharged from attendance on the Printing Committee and that, in his place, Mr. Jennings be appointed a member of the Committee.
Question—put and passed.
6. INCOME TAX ASSESSMENT BILL (1932).—Mr. Lyons (Treasurer) moved, pursuant to notice, That he have leave to bring in a Bill for an Act to amend the *Income Tax Assessment Act 1922–1931*.
Question—put and passed.
7. FINANCIAL RELIEF BILL.—The Order of the Day having been read for the resumption of the debate on the question, That the Bill be now read a second time—
Debate resumed.
Mr. Beasley moved, as an amendment, That all the words after “ That ” be omitted with a view to the insertion of the following words in place thereof :—“ there shall be no remission of land taxation until the Government is prepared to introduce legislation to restore to invalid and old-age pensioners the benefits taken from them by the *Financial Emergency Act* ”.
Debate continued.

The House continuing to sit until after midnight—

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Debate continued.

Mr. Hill addressing the House and not having concluded his speech—the House ordered that the honorable Member have leave to continue his speech when the debate is resumed.

Ordered—That the debate be now adjourned, and that the resumption of the debate be made an Order of the Day for the next sitting.

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

And then the House, at one minute past two o’clock in the morning, adjourned until this day at half-past ten o’clock a.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT.—All Members were present (at some time during the sitting) except—Mr. Bruce*, Mr. Dein, Mr. Roland Green, Mr. Gullett*, Mr. Hughes*, Mr. W. Maloney, Mr. Earle Page, Mr. Stacey, and Mr. Watkins.

* On leave.

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