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THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA,
CANBERRA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

No. 140.

WEDNESDAY, 6TH DECEMBER, 1933.

1. The House met, at eleven o'clock a.m., pursuant to adjournment.— Mr. Speaker (the Honorable G. H. Mackay) took the Chair, and read Prayers.
2. MINISTERIAL STATEMENT—CONVERSION LOAN.—Mr. Lyons (Treasurer), by leave, made a Ministerial Statement announcing the completion of the underwriting arrangements in connexion with the Conversion Loan in London.
3. PAPERS.—The following Paper was presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor-General—
Superannuation Act—Second Quinquennial Report of the Superannuation Fund, as at 30th June, 1932.
Ordered to lie on the Table, and to be printed.
The following Paper was presented, pursuant to Statute—
Audit Act—Transfers of amounts approved by the Governor-General in Council—Financial year 1932-33—Dated 20th November, 1933.
4. BANKRUPTCY BILL [No. 2] (1933).—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.
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, with the printed amendments as moved by Mr. Latham (Attorney-General) incorporated, agreed to.

The amendments are as follows :—

Page 2, clause 2, after sub-clause (4.) insert the following sub-clause :—

“(5.) Where an order is made under this section any deed of arrangement made or given under or in pursuance of the provisions of the State Act or law of the Territory shall not be void by reason of any provisions contained in Part XII. of this Act.”

Page 2, clause 3, after line 30 insert the following sub-clause :—

“(2.) Paragraph (a) of the last preceding sub-section shall be deemed to have commenced on the date of the commencement of the *Bankruptcy Act* 1932 :

Provided that nothing in this section shall affect the rights or liabilities of any person under a judgment or order of the Court, given or made prior to the commencement of this sub-section, as to whether any goods are the property of the bankrupt within the meaning of paragraph (iii) of section ninety-one of the Principal Act.”

Page 2, clause 4, lines 33-46 and page 3, lines 1-5, omit proposed new sub-section (1.), insert the following sub-sections :—

“(1.) Notwithstanding anything contained in this Act, where a trustee or one of the trustees, upon application to the Court, satisfies the Court—

(a) that he is the trustee of at least fifty estates which are being administered under sequestration orders, under compositions, schemes of arrangement or deeds of assignment under Part XI. of this Act, or under deeds of arrangement under Part XII. of this Act ;

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- (b) that, on the several dates upon which he became the trustee or one of the trustees of those estates, he was a partner in a firm or business with a person who was on those several dates and is at the date of the application registered as qualified to act as a trustee under this Part ;
- (c) that that person is at the date of the application in partnership with other persons some of whom are registered as qualified to act as trustees under this Part ; and
- (d) that he is desirous of retiring from the trusteeship of all those estates on account of pressing necessity,

the Court shall transfer to one or more of the persons specified in paragraph (b) or (c) of this sub-section as being registered as qualified to act as a trustee or as trustees under this Part the office of trustee of all or any of those estates.

" (1A.) The Court shall not, in pursuance of an application under this section, transfer the office of trustee in respect of the estate of any bankrupt—

- (a) unless fourteen days' notice of the proposal to make the application has been published in the *Gazette* ; and
- (b) if, prior to the transfer being made, one-sixth in value of the creditors of that bankrupt or the Registrar lodges with the Court an objection to the transfer."

Page 3, lines 11-18, omit clause 5.

Bill to be reported with amendments.

The House resumed ; Mr. Bell reported accordingly.

On the motion of Mr. Latham (Attorney-General), by leave, the House adopted the Report, and, by leave, the Bill was read a third time.

5. INCOME TAX ASSESSMENT BILL (1933).—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.
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.

Bill to be reported without amendment.

The House resumed ; Mr. Bell reported accordingly.

On the motion of Mr. Casey (Assistant Minister), the House adopted the Report, and, by leave, the Bill was read a third time, after debate.

6. WHEAT GROWERS 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.
Sir Henry Gullett 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 a later hour this day.
7. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That Orders of the Day Nos. 4 and 5 be postponed until after Order of the Day No. 6.
8. INVALID AND OLD-AGE PENSIONS BILL (1933).—The Order of the Day having been read for the second reading—Mr. Latham (Attorney-General) moved, That the Bill be now read a second time.
Mr. Makin 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 a later hour this day.
9. WHEAT GROWERS 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.

The House continuing to sit until after midnight—

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Debate continued.

Question—That the Bill be now read a second time—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.

Clause 5 debated—

Mr. Frederick Stewart (Minister for Commerce) moved, as an amendment, That the words "benefit and" (page 2, line 14) be omitted.

Debate continued.

Question—That the words proposed to be omitted be so omitted—put.

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The Committee divided (The Chairman, Mr. Bell, in the Chair)—

Ayes, 50.

Mr. Baker	Mr. Jennings
Mr. Beasley	Mr. Lane
Mr. Blacklow	Mr. Latham
Mr. Blakeley	Mr. George Lawson
Mr. Malcolm Cameron	Mr. Lyons
Mr. Casey	Mr. Makin
Mr. Bernard Corsor	Mr. Marr
Mr. Dein	Mr. Martens
Mr. Dennis	Mr. McGrath
Mr. J. V. Fairbairn	Mr. Parkhill
Mr. Fenton	Mr. Perkins
Mr. Forde	Mr. Price
Mr. Josiah Francis	Mr. Riordan
Mr. Gabb	Mr. Rosevear
Mr. Gander	Mr. Scholfield
Mr. Roland Green	Mr. Scullin
Sir Littleton Groom	Mr. Frederick Stewart
Sir Henry Gullett	Mr. Thorby
Mr. Guy	Mr. Ward
Mr. E. F. Harrison	Mr. Watkins
Mr. E. J. Harrison	Mr. William Watson
Mr. Holloway	Mr. White
Mr. Holman	
Mr. Hughes	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. Hutchinson	Mr. Hunter
Mr. James	Mr. Nairn

Noes, 13.

Mr. Aubrey Abbott
Mr. Gibson
Mr. Albert Green
Mr. Gregory
Mr. Hawker
Mr. Hill
Mr. McClelland
Mr. Nock
Mr. Earle Page
Mr. Thomas Paterson
Mr. Prowse

Tellers:

Mr. McBride
Mr. Thompson

And it was resolved in the affirmative.
Progress to be reported, and leave asked to sit again.

The House resumed ; Mr. Bell reported accordingly.

Resolved—That the House will, at a later hour this day, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

10. MESSAGE FROM THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL.—WHEAT GROWERS RELIEF BILL.—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor-General was presented, and the same was read by Mr. Speaker :—

ISAAC A. ISAACS,
Governor-General.

Message No. 81.

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 revenue be made for the purpose of amendments to be moved by the Minister of State for Commerce to a Bill for an Act to provide for Financial Assistance to the States in the Provision of Relief to Wheat Growers and for other purposes.

Canberra, 7th December, 1933.

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. Frederick Stewart (Minister for Commerce) moved, That it is expedient that an appropriation of revenue be made for the purpose of amendments to be moved by the Minister of State for Commerce to a Bill for an Act to provide for Financial Assistance to the States in the Provision of Relief to Wheat Growers and for other purposes.

Question—put and passed.
Resolution to be reported.

The House resumed ; Mr. Bell reported accordingly.

The said Resolution was read, and, on the motion of Mr. Frederick Stewart, by leave, was adopted by the House.

11. MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.—FRUIT GROWERS' RELIEF BILL.—Mr. Speaker announced the receipt of the following Message from the Senate :—

MR. SPEAKER,

Message No. 116.

The Senate returns to the House of Representatives the Bill for "An Act to provide for Financial Assistance to the States in the provision of Relief to Fruit Growers," and acquaints the House that the Senate has agreed to the Bill with the Amendment indicated by the annexed Schedule, in which Amendment the Senate requests the concurrence of the House of Representatives.

The Senate,
Canberra, 6th December, 1933.

P. J. LYNCH,
President.

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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.)

The Committee proceeded to consider the Amendment made by the Senate, which is as follows :—

SCHEDULE OF THE AMENDMENT MADE BY THE SENATE.

Page 1, clause 4, line 20, after " of " insert " necessitous ".

Amendment agreed to.

Resolution to be reported.

The House resumed ; Mr. Bell reported accordingly.

On the motion of Mr. Frederick Stewart (Minister for Commerce), the House adopted the Report.

12. MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE.—Mr. Speaker announced the receipt of the following Messages from the Senate :—

[*Income Tax Bill (1933)*]—

MR. SPEAKER,

Message No. 117.

The Senate returns to the House of Representatives the Bill for "*An Act to impose Taxes upon Incomes,*" and acquaints the House that the Senate has agreed to the Bill without requests.

P. J. LYNCH,
President.

The Senate,
Canberra, 6th December, 1933.

[*Ashmore and Cartier Islands Acceptance Bill*]—

MR. SPEAKER,

Message No. 118.

The Senate returns to the House of Representatives the Bill for "*An Act to provide for the acceptance of Ashmore Islands and Cartier Island as a Territory under the authority of the Commonwealth, and for the Government thereof,*" and acquaints the House that the Senate has agreed to the Bill without amendment.

P. J. LYNCH,
President.

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[*War Pensions Appropriation Bill (1933)*]—

MR. SPEAKER,

Message No. 119.

The Senate returns to the House of Representatives the Bill for "*An Act to grant and apply out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund a sum for War Pensions,*" and acquaints the House that the Senate has agreed to the Bill without amendment.

P. J. LYNCH,
President.

The Senate,
Canberra, 6th December, 1933.

[*Silver Agreement Bill*]—

MR. SPEAKER,

Message No. 120.

The Senate returns to the House of Representatives the Bill for "*An Act to ratify and approve certain Agreements relating to the production of Silver,*" and acquaints the House that the Senate has agreed to the Bill without amendment.

P. J. LYNCH,
President.

The Senate,
Canberra, 6th December, 1933.

[*Patents Bill (1933)*]—

MR. SPEAKER,

Message No. 121.

The Senate returns to the House of Representatives the Bill for "*An Act to amend the ' Patents Act 1903-1932 ' ,*" and acquaints the House that the Senate has agreed to the Bill without amendment.

P. J. LYNCH,
President.

The Senate,
Canberra, 6th December, 1933.

[*High Court Procedure Bill (1933)*]—

MR. SPEAKER,

Message No. 122.

The Senate returns to the House of Representatives the Bill for "*An Act to amend the ' High Court Procedure Act 1903-1925 ' ,*" and acquaints the House that the Senate has agreed to the Bill without amendment.

P. J. LYNCH,
President.

The Senate,
Canberra, 6th December, 1933.

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[*Invalid and Old-age Pensions Appropriation Bill (1933)*]-

MR. SPEAKER,

Message No. 123.

The Senate returns to the House of Representatives the Bill for "*An Act to grant and apply out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund a sum for Invalid and Old-age Pensions,*" and acquaints the House that the Senate has agreed to the Bill without amendment.

The Senate,
Canberra, 6th December, 1933.

P. J. LYNCH,
President.

[*Seat of Government Supreme Court Bill (1933)*]-

MR. SPEAKER,

Message No. 124.

The Senate has agreed to the Amendments made by the House of Representatives in the Bill for "*An Act to establish a Supreme Court of the Territory for the Seat of Government, and for other purposes.*"

The Senate,
Canberra, 6th December, 1933.

P. J. LYNCH,
President.

[*Judiciary Bill (1933)*]-

MR. SPEAKER,

Message No. 125.

The Senate returns to the House of Representatives the Bill for "*An Act to amend section four of the 'Judiciary Act 1903-1932'*," and acquaints the House that the Senate has agreed to the Bill without amendment.

The Senate,
Canberra, 6th December, 1933.

P. J. LYNCH,
President.

[*Appropriation Bill 1933-34*]-

MR. SPEAKER,

Message No. 126.

The Senate returns to the House of Representatives the Bill for "*An Act to grant and apply out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund a sum for the service of the year ending the thirtieth day of June One thousand nine hundred and thirty-four and to appropriate the Supplies granted by the Parliament for such year,*" and acquaints the House that the Senate has agreed to the Bill without requests.

The Senate,
Canberra, 7th December, 1933, a.m.

P. J. LYNCH,
President.

13. COPYRIGHT BILL (1933).—Mr. Latham (Attorney-General), pursuant to leave given on the 30th November, brought up a Bill intituled "*A Bill for an Act to amend the 'Copyright Act 1912'*," and moved, That it be now read a first time.
Question—put and passed.—Bill read a first time.
Mr. Latham moved, by leave, That the second reading be made an Order of the Day for a later hour this day.
Question—put and passed.
14. WHEAT GROWERS RELIEF 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 again resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole.

(In the Committee.)

Clause 5, as amended, further considered—

On the motion of Mr. Frederick Stewart (Minister for Commerce), the following further amendments were made :—

Page 2, lines 15-16, omit paragraph (a).

Page 2, line 17, omit "(b) assisting individual wheat growers, according to their needs," insert "providing for the needs of individual wheat growers."

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

Clause 6—

On the motion of Mr. Frederick Stewart, the following amendment was made, after debate :—

Page 2, lines 26-29, omit "that during the financial year ending on the thirtieth day of June, One thousand nine hundred and thirty-four, it is unlikely that he will derive taxable income, and".

Mr. Hawker moved, as a further amendment, That the following proviso be added to the clause :—

Provided that a wheat grower shall not, by reason of his having derived a taxable income during the year ended on the thirtieth day of June, One thousand nine hundred and thirty-three, be disentitled to receive assistance under this Act, to the extent of the sum by which the amount or value of any assistance which he would otherwise be eligible to receive exceeds such taxable income.

Debate continued.

Amendment withdrawn, by leave.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

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Clause 7—

On the motion of Mr. Frederick Stewart, the following amendment was made :—

Page 2, lines 38–41, omit “ but that it is unlikely that he will derive taxable income during the year ending on the thirtieth day of June, One thousand nine hundred and thirty-four.”

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

Clause 8 agreed to.

Clause 9—

On the motion of Mr. Frederick Stewart, the following amendments were made, after debate :—

Page 3, line 12, omit “ benefit and ”.

Page 3, lines 14–15, omit paragraph (a).

Page 3, line 16, omit “ (b) assisting individual wheat growers according to their needs,” insert “ providing for the needs of individual wheat growers.”

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

Clause 10—

On the motion of Mr. Frederick Stewart, the following amendments were made :—

Page 3, line 20, omit “ benefit and ”.

Page 3, lines 27–30, omit “ but that it is unlikely that he will derive taxable income during the year ending on the thirtieth day of June, One thousand nine hundred and thirty-four.”

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

Clauses 11 and 12 agreed to.

New clause—

On the motion of Mr. Frederick Stewart, the following new clause was inserted in the Bill :—

10A. Where a wheat grower is the legal personal representative of a deceased person, or is a trustee, the provisions of this Act shall be applied as if the persons beneficially interested in the estate of the deceased person, or in the trust estate, were wheat growers to the extent to which those persons are beneficially interested in the proceeds of the wheat sown by the wheat grower in the year One thousand nine hundred and thirty-three, and the Governor-General may make regulations for giving effect to this section.

Legal personal
representatives
or trustees
being
wheat growers.

Title agreed to.

Bill to be reported with amendments.

The House resumed ; Mr. Bell reported accordingly.

On the motion of Mr. Frederick Stewart (the Standing Orders having previously been suspended, see page 842), the House adopted the Report.

Ordered—That the third reading be made an Order of the Day for a later hour this day.

15. FLOUR TAX ASSESSMENT 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 by Mr. Scullin (Leader of the Opposition), who 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 :—“ the Bill be withdrawn and that legislation be introduced to provide assistance to wheat growers by the re-imposition of taxation on large incomes and wealthy landowners ”.

Debate continued.

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

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

Ayes, 48.

Mr. Aubrey Abbott	Mr. Jennings
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. Dein	Mr. McBride
Mr. Dennis	Mr. McClelland
Mr. J. V. Fairbairn	Mr. Nock
Mr. Josiah Francis	Mr. Earle Page
Mr. Gabb	Mr. Parkhill
Mr. Gibson	Mr. Thomas Paterson
Mr. Roland Green	Mr. Perkins
Mr. Gregory	Mr. Price
Sir Littleton Groom	Mr. Prowse
Sir Henry Gullett	Mr. Scholfield
Mr. Guy	Mr. Frederick Stewart
Mr. E. F. Harrison	Mr. Thompson
Mr. E. J. Harrison	Mr. Thorby
Mr. Hawker	Mr. White
Mr. Hill	
Mr. Holman	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. Hughes	Mr. Hunter
Mr. Hutchinson	Mr. Nairn

Noes, 20.

Mr. Baker
Mr. Beasley
Mr. Blakeley
Mr. Fenton
Mr. Forde
Mr. Albert Green
Mr. Holloway
Mr. James
Mr. George Lawson
Mr. Makin
Mr. W. Maloney
Mr. McGrath
Mr. Riordan
Mr. Rosevear
Mr. Scullin
Mr. Ward
Mr. Watkins
Mr. William Watson

Tellers:

Mr. Gander
Mr. Martens

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Question—That the Bill be now read a second time—put.

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

Ayes, 43.		Noes, 25.	
Mr. Aubrey Abbott	Mr. John Lawson	Mr. Baker	Mr. Makin
Mr. Bell	Mr. Lyons	Mr. Beasley	Mr. W. Maloney
Mr. Blacklow	Mr. Marr	Mr. Blakeley	Mr. McGrath
Mr. Malcolm Cameron	Mr. Maxwell	Mr. Dennis	Mr. Riordan
Mr. Casey	Mr. McBride	Mr. Fenton	Mr. Rosevear
Mr. Thomas Collins	Mr. McClelland	Mr. Forde	Mr. Scullin
Mr. Bernard Corser	Mr. Nock	Mr. Albert Green	Mr. Ward
Mr. Dein	Mr. Earle Page	Sir Henry Gullett	Mr. Watkins
Mr. J. V. Fairbairn	Mr. Parkhill	Mr. E. J. Harrison	Mr. William Watson
Mr. Josiah Francis	Mr. Thomas Paterson	Mr. Holloway	
Mr. Gabb	Mr. Perkins	Mr. Holman	
Mr. Gibson	Mr. Price	Mr. James	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. Roland Green	Mr. Prowse	Mr. Jennings	Mr. Gander
Mr. Gregory	Mr. Scholfield	Mr. George Lawson	Mr. Martens
Sir Littleton Groom	Mr. Frederick Stewart		
Mr. Guy	Mr. Thompson		
Mr. E. F. Harrison	Mr. Thorby		
Mr. Hawker	Mr. White		
Mr. Hill			
Mr. Hughes			
Mr. Hutchinson	<i>Tellers:</i>		
Mr. Lane	Mr. Hunter		
Mr. Latham	Mr. Nairn		

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.—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 9, by leave, taken together, and, with the printed amendments as moved by Mr. Casey (Assistant Minister) incorporated, agreed to.

The amendments are as follows:—

Page 2, clause 3, lines 5 and 6, omit the definition of "Flour" insert the following definition:—

"Flour" means any substance produced—

- (a) by the gristing, crushing, grinding or milling of wheat; or
- (b) by the sifting or screening of, or any mechanical operation applied to, substances so produced; or
- (c) by the combination of any of the operations specified in the last two preceding paragraphs,

and includes—

- (d) any mixture of any such substances; and
- (e) self-raising flour.

Page 2, clause 3, line 33, omit "first", insert "fourth".

Page 4, clause 9, line 34, after "Commissioner)" insert "or, with the approval of the Minister, to any other authority of a State".

Page 4, clause 9, line 35, after "Customs" insert "or to the Secretary of the Department of Commerce".

Clauses 10 to 13, by leave, taken together, and the printed amendments as moved by Mr. Casey—
Question—That the clauses and the amendments be agreed to—put.

The Committee divided (The Chairman, Mr. Bell, in the Chair)—

Ayes, 43.		Noes, 22.	
Mr. Aubrey Abbott	Mr. John Lawson	Mr. Baker	Mr. W. Maloney
Mr. Blacklow	Mr. Lyons	Mr. Beasley	Mr. McGrath
Mr. Malcolm Cameron	Mr. Marr	Mr. Blakeley	Mr. Riordan
Mr. Casey	Mr. Maxwell	Mr. Bernard Corser	Mr. Rosevear
Mr. Thomas Collins	Mr. McBride	Mr. Dennis	Mr. Scullin
Mr. Dein	Mr. McClelland	Mr. Fenton	Mr. Ward
Mr. J. V. Fairbairn	Mr. Nock	Mr. Forde	Mr. Watkins
Mr. Josiah Francis	Mr. Earle Page	Mr. Albert Green	Mr. William Watson
Mr. Gabb	Mr. Parkhill	Mr. Holloway	
Mr. Gibson	Mr. Thomas Paterson	Mr. James	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. Gregory	Mr. Perkins	Mr. George Lawson	Mr. Gander
Sir Littleton Groom	Mr. Price	Mr. Makin	Mr. Martens
Mr. Guy	Mr. Prowse		
Mr. E. F. Harrison	Mr. Scholfield		
Mr. E. J. Harrison	Mr. Frederick Stewart		
Mr. Hawker	Mr. Thompson		
Mr. Hill	Mr. Thorby		
Mr. Holman	Mr. White		
Mr. Hughes			
Mr. Hutchinson			
Mr. Jennings	<i>Tellers:</i>		
Mr. Lane	Mr. Hunter		
Mr. Latham	Mr. Nairn		

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

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The amendments are as follows :—

Page 5, clause 10, line 5, omit " first ", insert " fourth ".

Page 5, clause 10, line 9, omit " first ", insert " fourth ".

Page 5, clause 10, line 13, omit " first ", insert " fourth ".

Page 5, clause 11, line 20, omit " first ", insert " fourth ".

Clause 14—

Mr. Casey moved, as an amendment, That the clause be omitted with a view to the insertion of the following clause in place thereof :—

14.—(1.) Notwithstanding anything contained in this Part, the flour tax Exemptions imposed by the *Flour Tax Act (No. 1) 1933*, or the *Flour Tax Act (No. 2) 1933*, shall not be payable by any person in respect of—

(a) bran and pollard held by or sold to a person in respect of which the person gives security to the satisfaction of the Commissioner that the bran or pollard is unsuitable for use as human food ;

(b) self-raising flour manufactured and sold by any person if he has purchased the flour used in the manufacture of the self-raising flour at a price which includes the tax paid or payable in respect of the flour so used ; or

(c) flour which is held by or sold to a person who manufactures cornflour and in respect of which the person gives security to the satisfaction of the Commissioner that—

(i) the flour will be so used in the manufacture of cornflour ; and

(ii) the cornflour in the manufacture of which the flour is so used is unsuitable for use for purposes to which the ordinary white flour of commerce may be put ; or

(d) semolina (in the granular form in which it is ordinarily used as a breakfast food)—

(i) which is sold, or held for sale, for use as a breakfast food, and with which sharps or the ordinary white flour of commerce has not been mixed ; or

(ii) which is sold or held in that form for use as an ingredient in the manufacture of macaroni, vermicelli, spaghetti or substances of similar composition ; and

in respect of which the person gives security to the satisfaction of the Commissioner that the semolina is sold, or held for sale, for either of those uses ; or

(e) meal made from wheat—

(i) with which sharps or the ordinary white flour of commerce has not been mixed and which is sold or held for sale as a breakfast food or as a food for animals, poultry or birds ; and

(ii) in respect of which the person gives security, to the satisfaction of the Commissioner, that the meal is sold, or held for sale, for that use ; or

(f) flour sold by him for export by the purchaser from him or exported by him for sale after export ; or

(g) flour sold or delivered by him to any person in the Northern Territory ; or

(h) flour held in stock by any person in the Northern Territory ; or

(i) flour which is held by or sold to any person for use in the manufacture of goods (other than foods for human or animal consumption) and in respect of which that person gives security to the satisfaction of the Commissioner that the flour will be so used.

(2.) The Commissioner may require any person who claims exemption in pursuance of paragraph (a), (c), (d), (e) or (i) of the last preceding sub-section to give security to such amount as he thinks fit and for such purposes as are specified in that sub-section, and any such security may be in relation to any particular date or period, or transactions or series of transactions.

Question—That the clause be omitted—put and passed.

Mr. Casey then moved, That the proposed clause be inserted.

Mr. Riordan moved, as an amendment to the proposed clause, That after " Territory " in paragraph (h) the following words be inserted :—" and north of Mareeba, north-west of Hughenden, central west beyond Emerald, through Barcaldine, Longreach, Winton, and Thargomindah in the south-west ".

Debate ensued.

Amendment withdrawn, by leave.

Mr. Holloway moved, as an amendment to the proposed clause, That the following new paragraph be inserted after paragraph (h) :—

" (ha) flour sold to pastrycooks for the manufacture of pastry, scones, buns, cakes, and articles made from mixtures substantially similar to any of these articles ; or ".

Debate continued.

Question—That the paragraph proposed to be inserted be so inserted—put.

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The Committee divided (The Chairman, Mr. Bell, in the Chair)—

Ayes, 21.		Noes, 40.	
Mr. Baker	Mr. W. Maloney	Mr. Aubrey Abbott	Mr. John Lawson
Mr. Beasley	Mr. McGrath	Mr. Blacklow	Mr. Lyons
Mr. Blakeley	Mr. Riordan	Mr. Casey	Mr. Marr
Mr. Dennis	Mr. Rosevear	Mr. Thomas Collins	Mr. Maxwell
Mr. Fenton	Mr. Scullin	Mr. Dein	Mr. McBride
Mr. Forde	Mr. Ward	Mr. J. V. Fairbairn	Mr. McClelland
Mr. Albert Green	Mr. Watkins	Mr. Josiah Francis	Mr. Nock
Sir Henry Gullett		Mr. Gabb	Mr. Earle Page
Mr. Holloway	<i>Tellers:</i>	Mr. Gibson	Mr. Parkhill
Mr. James		Mr. Roland Green	Mr. Thomas Paterson
Mr. George Lawson	Mr. Gander	Mr. Gregory	Mr. Perkins
Mr. Makin	Mr. Martens	Sir Littleton Groom	Mr. Price
		Mr. Guy	Mr. Prowse
		Mr. E. F. Harrison	Mr. Scholfield
		Mr. Hawker	Mr. Frederick Stewart
		Mr. Hill	Mr. Thorby
		Mr. Holman	Mr. White
		Mr. Hughes	
		Mr. Hutchinson	<i>Tellers:</i>
		Mr. Jennings	Mr. Hunter
		Mr. Lane	Mr. Nairn

And so it was negatived.

Question—That the proposed clause be agreed to—put and passed.

Clauses 15 to 34, by leave, taken together, and, with the printed amendments as moved by Mr. Casey incorporated, agreed to.

The amendments are as follows :—

Page 6, clause 16, line 10, omit " first ", insert " fourth ".

Page 7, clause 20, line 7, omit " first ", insert " fourth ".

Page 7, clause 20, lines 10–16, omit paragraphs (a) and (b), insert—

" (a) where twenty per centum of the amount of tax exceeds Five pounds—by equal monthly instalments of twenty per centum of the amount of tax ; and

(b) in any other case—by equal monthly instalments of Five pounds (except where the unpaid balance of the tax is less than Five pounds, in which case the instalment shall be the amount of that balance)".

Page 8, clause 24, lines 44–47, omit " Where tax has been paid by any person on flour used in the production by that person of goods, and the goods so produced are exported by the taxpayer or sold by the taxpayer to a person for export by that person," insert " Where tax has been paid on flour used in the production by any person of goods, and the goods so produced are exported by that person or sold by him for export by the purchaser from him,".

Page 9, clause 24, line 10, omit " thirtieth day of November ", insert " third day of December ".

Page 9, clause 24, line 13, omit " first ", insert " fourth ".

Page 9, clause 24, line 17, omit " (4.) ", insert " (3.) ".

Page 10, clause 24, line 4, omit " purchased by him as specified in section fourteen of this Act ", insert " to which section fourteen of this Act applies ".

Page 10, clause 24, line 16, omit " first ", insert " fourth ".

Page 12, clause 26, line 29, omit " first ", insert " fourth ".

Page 14, clause 32, line 7, omit " first ", insert " fourth ".

New clause—

On the motion of Mr. Casey, the following new clause was inserted in the Bill :—

13A. The Commissioner may recommend to the Governor-General that any substance produced wholly or partly from wheat should, in order to prevent evasion of this Act, be included within the operation of this Act as if that substance were flour, and, upon receipt of such recommendation, the Governor-General may by proclamation declare that the substance shall, for the purposes of this Act, be deemed to be flour, and, on and after a date specified in the proclamation, the substance shall, notwithstanding anything contained in this Act, be deemed, for the purposes of this Act, to be flour which is taxable under this Act.

Title agreed to.

Bill to be reported with amendments.

The House resumed ; Mr. Bell reported accordingly.

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

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16. MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.—PUBLIC SERVICE BILL (1933).—Mr. Speaker announced the receipt of the following Message from the Senate :—

MR. SPEAKER,

Message No. 127.

The Senate has passed a Bill for "*An Act to amend the ' Commonwealth Public Service Act 1922-1932 '*," and transmits the same to the House of Representatives for its concurrence.

P. J. LYNCH,
President.

The Senate,
Canberra, 7th December, 1933.

Mr. Latham (Attorney-General) moved, That the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message be now read a first time.

Question—put and passed.—Bill read a first time.

Mr. Latham moved, by leave, That the second reading be made an Order of the Day for a later hour this day.

Question—put and passed.

17. MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.—EXTRADITION BILL (1933).—Mr. Speaker announced the receipt of the following Message from the Senate :—

MR. SPEAKER,

Message No. 128.

The Senate has passed a Bill for "*An Act to amend the ' Extradition Act 1903 '*," and transmits the same to the House of Representatives for its concurrence.

P. J. LYNCH,
President.

The Senate,
Canberra, 7th December, 1933.

Mr. Latham (Attorney-General) moved, That the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message be now read a first time.

Question—put and passed.—Bill read a first time.

Mr. Latham moved, by leave, That the second reading be made an Order of the Day for a later hour this day.

Question—put and passed.

18. MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.—IMMIGRATION BILL (1933).—Mr. Speaker announced the receipt of the following Message from the Senate :—

MR. SPEAKER,

Message No. 129.

The Senate has passed a Bill for "*An Act to amend the ' Immigration Act 1901-1932 '*," and transmits the same to the House of Representatives for its concurrence.

P. J. LYNCH,
President.

The Senate,
Canberra, 7th December, 1933.

Mr. Latham (Attorney-General) moved, That the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message be now read a first time.

Question—put and passed.—Bill read a first time.

Mr. Latham moved, by leave, That the second reading be made an Order of the Day for a later hour this day.

Question—put and passed.

19. MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.—DESIGNS BILL (1933).—Mr. Speaker announced the receipt of the following Message from the Senate :—

MR. SPEAKER,

Message No. 130.

The Senate has passed a Bill for "*An Act to amend section twenty-six of the ' Designs Act 1906-1932 '*," and transmits the same to the House of Representatives for its concurrence.

P. J. LYNCH,
President.

The Senate,
Canberra, 7th December, 1933.

Mr. Latham (Attorney-General) moved, That the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message be now read a first time.

Question—put and passed.—Bill read a first time.

Mr. Latham moved, by leave, That the second reading be made an Order of the Day for a later hour this day.

Question—put and passed.

20. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That Orders of the Day Nos. 5 to 7 be postponed until after Order of the Day No. 8.

21. WAYS AND MEANS—FLOUR TAX.—The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Ways and Means.

(In the Committee.)

Debate resumed on the three motions previously moved by Mr. Casey (Assistant Minister) on 1st December, 1933 (see page 843).

Motion No. 1—

Mr. Casey moved, as an amendment, That the word "first" (first, third and fifth occurring) be omitted, and the word "fourth" be inserted in its stead.

Question—put and passed.

Motion, as amended, agreed to.

Motion No. 2—

Mr. Casey moved, as an amendment, That the word "first" be omitted, and the word "fourth" be inserted in its stead.

Question—put and passed.

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Motion, as amended, agreed to.
 Motion No. 3 agreed to.
 Resolutions to be reported, and leave asked to sit again.

The House resumed ; Mr. Bell reported accordingly.
 Resolved—That the House will, at a later hour this day, again resolve itself into the said Committee.
 Mr. Casey 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 Resolutions reported from the Committee were read, and, on the motion of Mr. Casey, were adopted by the House.

Ordered—That Mr. Casey and Mr. Latham do prepare and bring in Bills to carry out the foregoing Resolutions.

22. FLOUR TAX BILL (No. 1).—Mr. Casey (Assistant Minister) then brought up a Bill intituled "*A Bill for an Act to impose a Tax upon Flour manufactured in Australia by any Person, and sold or delivered, or used in the Manufacture of Goods for sale, by him,*" and moved, That it be now read a first time.

Question—put and passed.—Bill read a first time.
 Mr. Casey 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.*)

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

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

23. FLOUR TAX BILL (No. 2).—Mr. Casey (Assistant Minister) also brought up a Bill intituled "*A Bill for an Act to impose a Tax upon Flour held in Stock by certain Persons on the fourth day of December, One thousand nine hundred and thirty-three,*" and moved, That the Bill be now read a first time.

Question—put and passed.—Bill read a first time.
 Mr. Casey 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.*)

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

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

24. FLOUR TAX BILL (No. 3).—Mr. Casey (Assistant Minister) also brought up a Bill intituled "*A Bill for an Act to impose a Tax upon Flour and certain Goods imported into Australia,*" and moved, That the Bill be now read a first time.

Question—put and passed.—Bill read a first time.
 Mr. Casey 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.*)

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

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

25. WHEAT GROWERS RELIEF BILL.—The Order of the Day having been read for the third reading—Mr. Frederick Stewart (Minister for Commerce) moved, That the Bill be now read a third time.
 Question—put and passed.—Bill read a third time.

26. WHEAT ACQUISITION BILL.—The Order of the Day having been read for the second reading—Mr. Frederick Stewart (Minister for Commerce) moved, That the Bill be now read a second time.
 Mr. Beasley 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 a later hour this day.

27. INVALID AND OLD-AGE PENSIONS BILL (1933).—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.

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.

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(In the Committee.)

Clause 1—

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

The House resumed ; Mr. Martens reported accordingly.

Resolved—That the House will, at a later hour this day, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

28. TRADE COMMISSIONERS BILL.—The Order of the Day having been read for the second reading—
Mr. Frederick Stewart (Minister for Commerce) moved, That the Bill be now read a second time.
Debate ensued.

The House continuing to sit until after midnight—

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Debate continued.

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.

Bill to be reported without amendment.

The House resumed ; Mr. Bell reported accordingly.

On the motion of Mr. Frederick Stewart, the House adopted the Report, and, by leave, the Bill was read a third time.

29. MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.—INCOME TAX ASSESSMENT BILL (1933).—Mr. Speaker announced the receipt of the following Message from the Senate :—

MR. SPEAKER,

Message No. 131.

The Senate returns to the House of Representatives the Bill for "*An Act to amend the 'Income Tax Assessment Act 1922-1933'*," and acquaints the House that the Senate has agreed to the Bill with the Amendment indicated by the annexed Schedule, in which Amendment the Senate requests the concurrence of the House of Representatives.

P. J. LYNCH,
President.

The Senate,
Canberra, 7th December, 1933.

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.)

The Committee proceeded to consider the Amendment made by the Senate, which is as follows :—

SCHEDULE OF THE AMENDMENT MADE BY THE SENATE.

Page 3, clause 3, lines 8 and 9, leave out " controlled by trustees and ".

Amendment agreed to.

Resolution to be reported.

The House resumed ; Mr. Bell reported accordingly.

On the motion of Mr. Casey (Assistant Minister), the House adopted the Report.

30. MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.—BANKRUPTCY BILL [No. 2] (1933).—Mr. Speaker announced the receipt of the following Message from the Senate :—

MR. SPEAKER,

Message No. 132.

The Senate returns to the House of Representatives the Bill for "*An Act to amend sections ninety-one and one hundred and ninety-three of, and to insert new sections fifty-seven A and one hundred and thirty A in, the 'Bankruptcy Act 1924-1932'*," and acquaints the House that the Senate has agreed to the Bill with the Amendment indicated by the annexed Schedule, in which Amendment the Senate requests the concurrence of the House of Representatives.

P. J. LYNCH,
President.

The Senate,
Canberra, 7th December, 1933.

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.)

The Committee proceeded to consider the Amendment made by the Senate, which is as follows :—

SCHEDULE OF THE AMENDMENT MADE BY THE SENATE.

Page 1, the Title, leave out " sections ninety-one and one hundred and ninety-three ", insert " section ninety-one ".

Amendment agreed to.

Resolution to be reported.

The House resumed ; Mr. Bell reported accordingly.

On the motion of Mr. Casey (Assistant Minister), the House adopted the Report.

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31. SOUTH AUSTRALIA GRANT BILL (1933).—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—*And on the amendment moved thereto by Mr. Beasley, viz. :—*That all the words after “That” be omitted with a view to the insertion of the following words in place thereof:—“the Bill be withdrawn and redrafted to provide that financial assistance shall be for the sole purpose of relief of unemployment”—

Amendment negatived.

Question—That the Bill be now read a second time—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.

Bill to be reported without amendment.

The House resumed ; Mr. Bell reported accordingly.

On the motion of Mr. Casey (Assistant Minister), the House adopted the Report, and, by leave, the Bill was read a third time.

32. WESTERN AUSTRALIA GRANT BILL (1933).—The Order of the Day having been read for the second reading—Mr. Casey (Assistant Minister) moved, That the Bill be now read a second time.

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:—“the Bill be withdrawn and redrafted to provide that financial assistance shall be for the sole purpose of relief of unemployment”.

Debate continued.

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

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

Ayes, 43.

Mr. Aubrey Abbott	Mr. George Lawson
Mr. Baker	Mr. John Lawson
Mr. Bell	Mr. Lyons
Mr. Blacklow	Mr. Makin
Mr. Blakeley	Mr. Marr
Mr. Casey	Mr. Martens
Mr. Thomas Collins	Mr. Maxwell
Mr. Dein	Mr. McBride
Mr. Dennis	Mr. Earle Page
Mr. J. V. Fairbairn	Mr. Parkhill
Mr. Fenton	Mr. Thomas Paterson
Mr. Forde	Mr. Perkins
Mr. Gabb	Mr. Riordan
Mr. Albert Green	Mr. Scullin
Sir Littleton Groom	Mr. Frederick Stewart
Mr. E. J. Harrison	Mr. Thompson
Mr. Hawker	Mr. William Watson
Mr. Holloway	Mr. White
Mr. Holman	
Mr. Hutchinson	
Mr. Jennings	
Mr. Lane	
Mr. Latham	

Noes, 5.

Mr. Beasley
Mr. James
Mr. Ward

Tellers:

Mr. Gander
Mr. Rosevear

Tellers:

Mr. Hunter
Mr. Nairn

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Question—That the Bill be now read a second time—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.

Bill to be reported without amendment.

The House resumed ; Mr. Bell reported accordingly.

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

33. TASMANIA GRANT BILL (1933).—The Order of the Day having been read for the second reading—Mr. Casey (Assistant Minister) moved, That the Bill be now read a second time.

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:—“the Bill be withdrawn and redrafted to provide that financial assistance shall be for the sole purpose of relief of unemployment”.

Debate continued.

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

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

Ayes, 38.		Noes, 5.
Mr. Baker	Mr. Lane	Mr. Beasley
Mr. Bell	Mr. Latham	Mr. James
Mr. Blacklow	Mr. John Lawson	Mr. Ward
Mr. Blakeley	Mr. Lyons	
Mr. Casey	Mr. Makin	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. Thomas Collins	Mr. Marr	Mr. Gander
Mr. Bernard Corser	Mr. Martens	Mr. Rosevear
Mr. Dennis	Mr. Maxwell	
Mr. J. V. Fairbairn	Mr. Parkhill	
Mr. Fenton	Mr. Thomas Paterson	
Mr. Forde	Mr. Perkins	
Mr. Gabb	Mr. Riordan	
Mr. Albert Green	Mr. Scullin	
Mr. E. F. Harrison	Mr. Frederick Stewart	
Mr. E. J. Harrison	Mr. Thompson	
Mr. Hawker	Mr. Watkins	
Mr. Holloway		
Mr. Holman	<i>Tellers:</i>	
Mr. Hutchinson	Mr. George Lawson	
Mr. Jennings	Mr. Nairn	

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Question—That the Bill be now read a second time—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.)*

Clause 1 agreed to.

Clause 2 debated and agreed to.

Clauses 3 and 4 agreed to.

Title agreed to.

Bill to be reported without amendment.

The House resumed; Mr. Bell reported accordingly.

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

34. MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE.—Mr. Speaker announced the receipt of the following Messages from the Senate:—

[Dairy Produce Bill]—

MR. SPEAKER,

*Message No. 133.*The Senate returns to the House of Representatives the Bill for "*An Act relating to Trade and Commerce with other Countries and among the States in certain Dairy Produce,*" and acquaints the House that the Senate has agreed to the Bill without amendment.The Senate,
Canberra, 7th December, 1933.P. J. LYNCH,
President.*[Dried Fruits Bill (1933)]*—

MR. SPEAKER,

*Message No. 134.*The Senate returns to the House of Representatives the Bill for "*An Act to amend the 'Dried Fruits Act 1928'*," and acquaints the House that the Senate has agreed to the Bill without amendment.The Senate,
Canberra, 7th December, 1933.P. J. LYNCH,
President.

35. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDER OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That Order of the Day No. 12 be postponed until a later hour this day.
36. SALES TAX ASSESSMENT BILLS (Nos. 1 to 9) (1933).—The Order of the Day having been read for the second reading—Mr. Casey (Assistant Minister) moved, That the Bills be now read a second time. Question—put and passed.—Bills read a second time.
Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole.

*(In the Committee.)**Sales Tax Assessment Bill (No. 1) (1933)*—

Bill, by leave, taken as a whole, and, with the printed amendments as moved by Mr. Casey incorporated, agreed to.

The amendments are as follows:—

Page 2, clause 2, line 22, omit "attributed", insert "attached".

Page 2, clause 3, line 43, omit "the" (first occurring), insert "that".

Page 4, clause 7, line 27, after "tax" insert "in respect of transactions acts or operations which took place".

Bill to be reported with amendments.

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Sales Tax Assessment Bill (No. 2) (1933)—

Bill, by leave, taken as a whole, and, with the printed amendment as moved by Mr. Casey incorporated, agreed to.

The amendment is as follows :—

Page 2, clause 4, line 41, after " tax " insert " in respect of goods sold ".

Bill to be reported with an amendment.

Sales Tax Assessment Bill (No. 3) (1933)—

Bill, by leave, taken as a whole, and, with the printed amendment as moved by Mr. Casey incorporated, agreed to.

The amendment is as follows :—

Page 2, clause 4, line 40, after " tax " insert " in respect of goods sold ".

Bill to be reported with an amendment.

Sales Tax Assessment Bill (No. 4) (1933)—

Bill, by leave, taken as a whole, and, with the printed amendment as moved by Mr. Casey incorporated, agreed to.

The amendment is as follows :—

Page 2, clause 3, line 15, after " tax " insert " in respect of goods applied by a taxpayer to his own use ".

Bill to be reported with an amendment.

Sales Tax Assessment Bill (No. 5) (1933)—

Bill, by leave, taken as a whole, and, with the printed amendment as moved by Mr. Casey incorporated, agreed to.

The amendment is as follows :—

Page 2, clause 3, line 20, after " tax " insert " in respect of goods imported ".

Bill to be reported with an amendment.

Sales Tax Assessment Bill (No. 6) (1933)—

Bill, by leave, taken as a whole, and, with the printed amendments as moved by Mr. Casey incorporated, agreed to.

The amendments are as follows :—

Page 2, clause 3, line 4, after " return ; " insert " or ".

Page 2, clause 4, line 40, after " tax " insert " in respect of goods sold by a taxpayer or applied by him to his own use ".

Bill to be reported with amendments.

Sales Tax Assessment Bill (No. 7) (1933)—

Bill, by leave, taken as a whole, and, with the printed amendment as moved by Mr. Casey incorporated, agreed to.

The amendment is as follows :—

Page 2, clause 4, line 40, after " tax " insert " in respect of goods sold ".

Bill to be reported with an amendment.

Sales Tax Assessment Bill (No. 8) (1933)—

Bill, by leave, taken as a whole, and, with the printed amendment as moved by Mr. Casey incorporated, agreed to.

The amendment is as follows :—

Page 2, clause 3, line 17, after " tax " insert " in respect of goods applied by a taxpayer to his own use ".

Bill to be reported with an amendment.

Sales Tax Assessment Bill (No. 9) (1933)—

Bill, by leave, taken as a whole, and, with the printed amendment as moved by Mr. Casey incorporated, agreed to.

The amendment is as follows :—

Page 2, clause 3, line 20, after " tax " insert " in respect of goods leased ".

Bill to be reported with an amendment.

The House resumed ; Mr. Bell reported accordingly.

The Standing Orders having been suspended, *see* page 850—

On the motion of Mr. Casey, the House adopted the Reports.

On the motion of Mr. Casey, the Sales Tax Assessment Bills (Nos. 1 to 9) (1933) were read a third time.

37. COPYRIGHT BILL (1933).—The Order of the Day having been read for the second reading—Mr. Latham (Attorney-General) 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.

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(In the Committee.)

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

The House resumed; Mr. Bell reported accordingly.
 On the motion of Mr. Latham, the House adopted the Report, and, by leave, the Bill was read a third time.

38. INVALID AND OLD-AGE PENSIONS BILL (1933).—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 again resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole.

(In the Committee.)

Clause 1 agreed to.

Clause 2—

Mr. Makin moved, as an amendment, That the following proviso be added to proposed sub-section (3.):—Provided that the Commissioner shall not review the rate of pension during such time as the pensioner remains in residence in any house which he has so transferred or mortgaged.

Debate ensued.

Question—That the amendment be agreed to—put.

The Committee divided (The Chairman, Mr. Bell, in the Chair)—

Ayes, 19.

Mr. Baker	Mr. Riordan
Mr. Beasley	Mr. Rosevear
Mr. Blakeley	Mr. Scullin
Mr. Thomas Collins	Mr. Thompson
Mr. Forde	Mr. Ward
Mr. Gabb	Mr. Watkins
Mr. Albert Green	
Mr. Hunter	
Mr. James	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. George Lawson	Mr. Gander
Mr. Makin	Mr. Martens

Noes, 31.

Mr. Aubrey Abbott	Mr. Lane
Mr. Blacklow	Mr. Latham
Mr. Malcolm Cameron	Mr. John Lawson
Mr. Casey	Mr. Lyons
Mr. Dein	Mr. Marr
Mr. Dennis	Mr. Maxwell
Mr. J. V. Fairbairn	Mr. McBride
Mr. Fenton	Mr. McGrath
Mr. Josiah Francis	Mr. Parkhill
Sir Littleton Groom	Mr. Perkins
Mr. Guy	Mr. Frederick Stewart
Mr. E. F. Harrison	Mr. White
Mr. E. J. Harrison	
Mr. Hawker	
Mr. Holman	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. Hutchinson	Mr. Nairn
Mr. Jennings	Mr. Price

And so it was negatived.

Clause agreed to.

Clause 3—

Mr. Rosevear moved, as an amendment, That proposed sub-section (3.) be omitted.

Debate ensued.

Question—That the words proposed to be omitted be so omitted—put.

The Committee divided (The Chairman, Mr. Bell, in the Chair)—

Ayes, 20.

Mr. Baker	Mr. Riordan
Mr. Beasley	Mr. Rosevear
Mr. Blakeley	Mr. Scullin
Mr. Thomas Collins	Mr. Thompson
Mr. Forde	Mr. Ward
Mr. Gabb	Mr. Watkins
Mr. Albert Green	
Mr. Holloway	
Mr. Hunter	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. James	
Mr. George Lawson	Mr. Gander
Mr. Makin	Mr. Martens

Noes, 30.

Mr. Aubrey Abbott	Mr. Lane
Mr. Blacklow	Mr. Latham
Mr. Malcolm Cameron	Mr. John Lawson
Mr. Casey	Mr. Lyons
Mr. Dein	Mr. Marr
Mr. Dennis	Mr. Maxwell
Mr. J. V. Fairbairn	Mr. McBride
Mr. Fenton	Mr. McGrath
Mr. Josiah Francis	Mr. Earle Page
Sir Littleton Groom	Mr. Perkins
Mr. Guy	Mr. Frederick Stewart
Mr. E. F. Harrison	Mr. White
Mr. E. J. Harrison	
Mr. Holman	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. Hutchinson	Mr. Nairn
Mr. Jennings	Mr. Price

And so it was negatived.

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Mr. Makin moved, as an amendment, That all the words after "relative" (page 3, proposed sub-section (5.), paragraph (c)) to the end of paragraph (c) be omitted.

Question—That the amendment be agreed to—put.

The Committee divided (The Chairman, Mr. Bell, in the Chair)—

Ayes, 21.

Mr. Baker	Mr. Earle Page
Mr. Beasley	Mr. Riordan
Mr. Blakeley	Mr. Rosevear
Mr. Thomas Collins	Mr. Scullin
Mr. Forde	Mr. Thompson
Mr. Gabb	Mr. Ward
Mr. Albert Green	Mr. Watkins
Mr. Holloway	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. Hunter	
Mr. James	Mr. Gander
Mr. George Lawson	Mr. Martens
Mr. Makin	

Noes, 29.

Mr. Aubrey Abbott	Mr. Lane
Mr. Blacklow	Mr. Latham
Mr. Malcolm Cameron	Mr. John Lawson
Mr. Casey	Mr. Lyons
Mr. Dein	Mr. Marr
Mr. Dennis	Mr. Maxwell
Mr. J. V. Fairbairn	Mr. McBride
Mr. Fenton	Mr. Parkhill
Mr. Josiah Francis	Mr. Perkins
Sir Littleton Groom	Mr. Frederick Stewart
Mr. Guy	Mr. White
Mr. E. F. Harrison	
Mr. E. J. Harrison	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. Holman	
Mr. Hutchinson	Mr. Nairn
Mr. Jennings	Mr. Price

And so it was negatived.

Mr. Rosevear moved, as an amendment, That the words "of the pensioner, but does not include any other relative of the pensioner" be omitted from proposed sub-section (9.) with a view to the insertion of the words "grandchild, niece or nephew of the pensioner" in place thereof.

Debate continued.

Question—That the amendment be agreed to—put.

The Committee divided (The Chairman, Mr. Bell, in the Chair)—

Ayes, 20.

Mr. Baker	Mr. McGrath
Mr. Beasley	Mr. Riordan
Mr. Blakeley	Mr. Rosevear
Mr. Thomas Collins	Mr. Scullin
Mr. Forde	Mr. Thompson
Mr. Gabb	Mr. Ward
Mr. Albert Green	Mr. Watkins
Mr. Holloway	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. James	
Mr. George Lawson	Mr. Gander
Mr. Makin	Mr. Martens

Noes, 29.

Mr. Aubrey Abbott	Mr. Lane
Mr. Blacklow	Mr. Latham
Mr. Malcolm Cameron	Mr. John Lawson
Mr. Casey	Mr. Lyons
Mr. Dennis	Mr. Marr
Mr. J. V. Fairbairn	Mr. Maxwell
Mr. Fenton	Mr. McBride
Mr. Josiah Francis	Mr. Parkhill
Sir Littleton Groom	Mr. Perkins
Mr. Guy	Mr. Frederick Stewart
Mr. E. F. Harrison	Mr. White
Mr. E. J. Harrison	
Mr. Hawker	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. Holman	
Mr. Hutchinson	Mr. Nairn
Mr. Jennings	Mr. Price

And so it was negatived.

Clause agreed to.

Clauses 4 to 9 agreed to.

New clauses—

On the motion of Mr. Casey (Assistant Minister), the following new clauses were inserted in the Bill:—

1A. Section fifty-two c of the Principal Act is amended by omitting the words "commencement of this section" (wherever occurring) and inserting in their stead the words "thirty-first day of December, One thousand nine hundred and thirty-two,"

Acquisition of property by pensioner.

10. The repeal of sub-section (5.) of section fifty-two d of the *Invalid and Old-age Pensions Act 1908-1932*, which was effected by section twenty-eight of the *Financial Relief Act 1933*, shall be deemed to have taken effect on and from the twelfth day of October, One thousand nine hundred and thirty-two.

Operation of repeal of section 52D (5.).

Title agreed to.

Bill to be reported with amendments.

The House resumed; Mr. Bell reported accordingly.

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

39. EXTRADITION BILL (1933).—The Order of the Day having been read for the second reading—Mr.

Latham (Attorney-General) 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.

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(In the Committee.)

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

The House resumed ; Mr. Bell reported accordingly.

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

40. DESIGNS BILL (1933).—The Order of the Day having been read for the second reading—Mr. Latham (Attorney-General) 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.
 Bill to be reported without amendment.

The House resumed ; Mr. Bell reported accordingly.

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

41. IMMIGRATION BILL (1933).—The Order of the Day having been read for the second reading—Mr. Perkins (Minister for the Interior) 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.)

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

The House resumed ; Mr. Bell reported accordingly.

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

42. TARIFF BOARD BILL (1933).—The Order of the Day having been read for the second reading—Mr. White (Minister for Trade and Customs) 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.)

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

The House resumed ; Mr. Bell reported accordingly.

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

43. WAYS AND MEANS [CUSTOMS TARIFF (CANADIAN PREFERENCE) (NO. 2), PRIMAGE DUTY AMENDMENT (NO. 5)].—The House, accordingly to Order, again resolved itself into the Committee of Ways and Means.

(In the Committee.)

Mr. White (Minister for Trade and Customs) moved—

CUSTOMS TARIFF (CANADIAN PREFERENCE) (NO. 2).

(1.) That notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained in the Customs Tariffs 1933, there be imposed on the importation into Australia of the undermentioned goods (being the produce or manufacture of the Dominion of Canada), when—

- (i) those goods have been shipped from that Dominion to Australia and have not been transhipped ; or
- (ii) those goods, having been so shipped have been transhipped, and it is proved to the satisfaction of the Collector of Customs that the intended destination of the goods when originally shipped was Australia ;

Duties of Customs as follows :—

- (a) On the goods specified in the Schedule hereto Duties of Customs at the rates respectively specified in the column headed " Tariff on goods the produce or manufacture of Canada " in the Schedule hereto ;
- (b) On such goods as are specified in Schedule B to the Trade Agreement between Canada and Australia a copy of which is set forth in the Schedule to the Customs Tariff (Canadian Preference) 1931 and as are, by that Act, dutiable at the rates specified in the General Tariff, Duties of Customs at the rates in force under the General Tariff on the dates on which the goods are respectively entered for home consumption ; and

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- (c) On all goods other than those covered by paragraphs (a) and (b) immediately preceding, Duties of Customs at the rates in force under the British Preferential Tariff on the dates on which the goods are respectively entered for home consumption.
- (2.) That the Duties of Customs imposed by this Resolution be charged, collected and paid to the King for the purposes of the Commonwealth of Australia on all goods subject to those duties which are imported on or after the eighth day of December One thousand nine hundred and thirty-three, or which, having been imported before that date, are entered for home consumption on or after that date.
- (3.) That the Duties of Customs imposed by this Resolution be in lieu of the duties payable upon those goods under the Customs Tariff (Canadian Preference) 1931.
- (4.) That if at any time—
- (a) His Majesty's Government in the Commonwealth gives notice in writing to His Majesty's Government in the Dominion of Canada that in consequence of the importation into Australia of goods, of a kind specified in the notice, being the produce or manufacture of the Dominion of Canada, the sale of similar goods produced in Australia is being prejudicially or injuriously affected, and
- (b) measures, sufficient, in the opinion of His Majesty's Government in the Commonwealth, are not put into effect by His Majesty's Government in the Dominion of Canada, within three months after the date of the notice.
- then, from a time and date to be fixed by Proclamation, goods of the kind specified in the notice, when imported from the Dominion of Canada, be subject to the rates of duty set out in the General Tariff.
- (5.) That upon the withdrawal of any notice given in pursuance of the last preceding paragraph, goods of the kind specified in the notice, when imported from the Dominion of Canada after a time and date to be fixed by Proclamation, again be subject to the rates of duty which would have been applicable to them if the notice had not been given.

THE SCHEDULE.

Tariff Item.	Tariff on goods the produce or manufacture of Canada.
DIVISION X.—WOOD, WICKER, AND CANE.	
Ex 291 .. Timber, viz. :—	
(c) Logs, not sawn, viz. :—	
(1) For use in the manufacture of Plywood and Veneers, as prescribed by Departmental By-laws - ad val.	5 per cent.
(2) Other - ad val.	20 per cent.
(d) Spars in the rough - ad val.	20 per cent.
(e) Timber, undressed, n.e.i., viz. :—Redwood (<i>Sequoia Sempervirens</i>) and Western Red Cedar (<i>Thuja Plicata</i>)—	
(1) In sizes of 12 inches x 6 inches (or its equivalent) and over per 100 super. feet	2s.
(2) In sizes of 8 inches x 2 inches (or its equivalent) and upwards, and less than 12 inches x 6 inches (or its equivalent) per 100 super. feet	3s. 6d.
(3) In sizes less than 8 inches x 2 inches (or its equivalent) per 100 super. feet	8s.
(f) Timber, undressed, n.e.i., viz. :—	
Other—	
(1) In sizes of 12 inches x 10 inches (or its equivalent) and over per 100 super. feet	10s. 6d.
(2) In sizes of 7 inches x 2½ inches (or its equivalent) and upwards, and less than 12 inches x 10 inches (or its equivalent) per 100 super. feet	12s.
(3) In sizes less than 7 inches x 2½ inches (or its equivalent) per 100 super. feet	13s. 6d.
(g) (1) Timber, undressed, n.e.i., in sizes not less than 4 inches in width and not less than 3 inches in thickness for the manufacture of boxes, as prescribed by Departmental By-laws	Free
(2) Timber, undressed, cut to size for making boxes per 100 super. feet	12s.
(h) Timber, for making boxes, being cut to size, and dressed or partly dressed per 100 super. feet	14s.
(i) Timber, bent or cut into shape, dressed or partly dressed, n.e.i. - ad val.	55 per cent.
(j) Timber, dressed or moulded, n.e.i. ; Timber tongued or grooved or tongued and grooved ; Weatherboards per 100 super. feet	22s.
(k) Plywood including Plywood veneered with any material :—	
(1) Not exceeding three-sixteenths of an inch in thickness per 100 square feet or ad val.	5s. 55 per cent.
whichever rate returns the higher duty.	

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Tariff Item.	Tariff on goods the produce or manufacture of Canada.
Division X.—Wood, Wicker, and Cane—continued.	
Ex 291.— <i>continued.</i>	
(M)— <i>continued.</i>	
(2) Exceeding three-sixteenths of an inch in thickness but not exceeding seven-eighths of an inch in thickness	per 100 square feet 5s.
with an additional duty for each one-sixteenth of an inch in thickness in excess of three-sixteenths of an inch	per 100 square feet 1s. 6d.
or, as an alternative to the cumulative fixed rates provided above - ad val. whichever rate returns the higher duty.	55 per cent.
(3) N.E.I.	- ad val. 55 per cent.
(N) Veneers	- ad val. 55 per cent.
Ex 292 .. Timber, viz. :—	
(B) Laths for Plastering	per 1,000 10s.
(C) Palings	per 1,000 14s.
(F) Shingles	per 1,000 3s.
293 .. (A) Timber, undressed, in sizes less than 7 feet 6 inches x 10½ inches x 2½ inches for use in the manufacture of Doors, as prescribed by Departmental By-laws	per 100 super. feet 4s.
(B) Doors of wood (including Fly Doors) wholly or partly made up	each 8s. or per super. foot 4d. whichever rate returns the higher duty.
(C) Plywood Door Panels of Redwood (<i>Sequoia sempervirens</i>) and Douglas Fir (<i>Pseudotsuga douglasii</i>) cut to sizes not exceeding 2 feet x 2 feet (or its equivalent) for use in the manufacture of Doors, as prescribed by Departmental By-laws	per 100 square feet 5s.
Ex 294 .. (A) Staves, undressed, n.e.i.	- per 100 8s.
(B) Staves, dressed or partly dressed, but not shaped	- per 100 11s.
DIVISION XII.—HIDES, LEATHER, AND RUBBER.	
328 .. Goloshes, Rubber Sand Boots and Shoes and Plimsolls	per pair 1s. 9d. or ad val. 30 per cent. whichever rate returns the higher duty.
DIVISION XIV.—VEHICLES.	
Ex 359 .. Vehicle parts, viz. :—	
(D) .. Parts of vehicles with self-contained power propelled by petrol, steam, electricity, oil, gas, or alcohol, n.e.i., whether incorporated in the complete vehicle or separate, viz. :—	
(4) Chassis, but not including Rubber Tyres and Tubes, Storage Batteries, Shock Absorbers excepting Steering Dampers, Bumper Bars, Sparking Plugs, Springs, Spring Hangers, Shackle Bolts Pins and Assemblies, U Bolts, King Pins, Tie Rod Pins, Tie Rod Ball Pins, Tie Rod Ball Studs and High Tension Ignition Coils—	
(a) Unassembled	- ad val. 15 per cent.
(b) Assembled	- ad val. 35 per cent.

PRIMAGE DUTY (No. 5).

That, on and after the eighth day of December, One thousand nine hundred and thirty-three, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, reckoned according to standard time in the Territory for the Seat of Government, the Customs Tariff (Primage Duties) Proposals introduced into the House of Representatives on the fourth day of October, One thousand nine hundred and thirty-three, as proposed to be amended by the Customs Tariff (Primage Duties) Proposals introduced into the House of Representatives on the third day of November, One thousand nine hundred and thirty-three, be further amended as follows :—

(a) By adding the following to sub-paragraph 1 :—

(1) Linseed.

(2) The following goods when admissible under the British Preferential Tariff :—

Goods covered by Items 176 (J), 178 (D) (2), 178 (D) (3), 178 (F) (1), 178 (F) (2) (a), 178 (F) (3) (a), 179 (D) (1) (a) (1) (b) (when exceeding 175 horse-power), 179 (D) (1) (a) (2), 179 (D) (1) (a) (3), 179 (D) (1) (a) (4) (b), 179 (D) (1) (b) (2), 179 (D) (1) (c) (3), 179 (D) (1) (c) (4) (b), 179 (D) (2) (a) (2) (when exceeding 12,750 k.v.a.), 179 (D) (2) (b) (2) (when exceeding 1,275 k.v.a.), 179 (D) (2) (c) (2), 194 (A), 194 (B) (1) and 294 (c).

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(b) By adding the following to sub-paragraph 2 :—

The following goods when not admissible under the British Preferential Tariff :—

Goods covered by Items 176 (j), 178 (D) (2), 178 (D) (3), 178 (F) (1), 178 (F) (2) (a), 178 (F) (3) (a), 179 (D) (1) (a) (1) (b) (when exceeding 175 horse-power), 179 (D) (1) (a) (2), 179 (D) (1) (a) (3), 179 (D) (1) (a) (4) (b), 179 (D) (1) (b) (2), 179 (D) (1) (c) (3), 179 (D) (1) (c) (4) (b), 179 (D) (2) (a) (2) (when exceeding 12,750 k.v.a.), 179 (D) (2) (b) (2) (when exceeding 1,275 k.v.a.), 179 (D) (2) (c) (2), 194 (A), 194 (B) (1) and 294 (c).

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

The House resumed ; Mr. Bell reported accordingly.

Resolved—That the House will, at a later hour this day, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

44. WHEAT ACQUISITION 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—

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.

Bill to be reported without amendment.

The House resumed ; Mr. Bell reported accordingly.

On the motion of Mr. Frederick Stewart (Minister for Commerce) (the Standing Orders having previously been suspended, *see* page 852), the House adopted the Report, and the Bill was read a third time.

45. COCKATOO ISLAND DOCKYARD AGREEMENT 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.

Question—put.

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

Ayes, 31.

Mr. Aubrey Abbott	Mr. Lane
Mr. Bell	Mr. Latham
Mr. Blacklow	Mr. John Lawson
Mr. Malcolm Cameron	Mr. Lyons
Mr. Casey	Mr. Marr
Mr. Thomas Collins	Mr. Maxwell
Mr. Dein	Mr. McBride
Mr. J. V. Fairbairn	Mr. McGrath
Mr. Fenton	Mr. Parkhill
Mr. Josiah Francis	Mr. Perkins
Mr. Gabb	Mr. Frederick Stewart
Mr. Guy	Mr. White
Mr. E. F. Harrison	
Mr. E. J. Harrison	
Mr. Hawker	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. Holman	Mr. Nairn
Mr. Jennings	Mr. Price

Noes, 15.

Mr. Beasley
Mr. Blakeley
Mr. Forde
Mr. Holloway
Mr. James
Mr. George Lawson
Mr. Makin
Mr. Martens
Mr. Riordan
Mr. Rosevear
Mr. Scullin
Mr. Ward
Mr. Watkins

Tellers:

Mr. Baker
Mr. Gander

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.—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.

Bill to be reported without amendment.

The House resumed ; Mr. Bell reported accordingly.

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

46. PUBLIC SERVICE BILL (1933).—The Order of the Day having been read for the second reading—

Mr. Parkhill (Postmaster-General) moved, That the Bill be now read a second time.

Debate ensued.

Question—put.

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

Ayes, 32.		Noes, 16.
Mr. Aubrey Abbott	Mr. Latham	Mr. Baker
Mr. Bell	Mr. Lyons	Mr. Beasley
Mr. Blacklow	Mr. Marr	Mr. Blakeley
Mr. Malcolm Cameron	Mr. Maxwell	Mr. Forde
Mr. Casey	Mr. McBride	Mr. Albert Green
Mr. Thomas Collins	Mr. McGrath	Mr. Holloway
Mr. Dein	Mr. Nock	Mr. James
Mr. J. V. Fairbairn	Mr. Parkhill	Mr. George Lawson
Mr. Fenton	Mr. Perkins	Mr. Makin
Mr. Josiah Francis	Mr. Frederick Stewart	Mr. Riordan
Mr. Gabb	Mr. Thorby	Mr. Rosevear
Mr. Guy	Mr. White	Mr. Scullin
Mr. E. F. Harrison		Mr. Ward
Mr. E. J. Harrison		Mr. Watkins
Mr. Hawker		
Mr. Holman	<i>Tellers:</i>	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. Jennings	Mr. John Lawson	Mr. Gander
Mr. Lane	Mr. Nairn	Mr. Martens

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a second time.

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

(In the Committee.)

Clause 1 agreed to.

Clause 2 debated—

Question—That the clause be agreed to—put.

The Committee divided (The Chairman, Mr. Bell, in the Chair)—

Ayes, 31.		Noes, 16.
Mr. Aubrey Abbott	Mr. Latham	Mr. Baker
Mr. Blacklow	Mr. Lyons	Mr. Riordan
Mr. Malcolm Cameron	Mr. Marr	Mr. Rosevear
Mr. Casey	Mr. Maxwell	Mr. Scullin
Mr. Thomas Collins	Mr. McBride	Mr. Ward
Mr. Dein	Mr. McGrath	Mr. Watkins
Mr. J. V. Fairbairn	Mr. Nock	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. Fenton	Mr. Parkhill	Mr. Gander
Mr. Josiah Francis	Mr. Perkins	Mr. Martens
Mr. Gabb	Mr. Frederick Stewart	
Mr. Guy	Mr. Thorby	
Mr. E. F. Harrison	Mr. White	
Mr. E. J. Harrison		
Mr. Hawker		
Mr. Holman	<i>Tellers:</i>	
Mr. Jennings	Mr. John Lawson	
Mr. Lane	Mr. Nairn	

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Clause 3 agreed to.

Title agreed to.

Bill to be reported without amendment.

The House resumed ; Mr. Bell reported accordingly.

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

47. PAPERS.—The following Papers were presented, pursuant to Statute—

- Customs Act—Regulations Amended—Statutory Rules 1933, No. 129.
- Naval Defence Act—Regulations amended—Statutory Rules 1933, No. 130.
- New Guinea Act—Ordinances of 1933—
 - No. 32—Native Labour (No. 3).
 - No. 33—Police Force.
 - No. 35—Native Taxes (No. 2).
 - No. 36—District Courts.
 - No. 37—Appropriation (No. 3) 1932–1933.
- Papua Act—Ordinances of 1933—
 - No. 2—Ordinance Interpretation.
 - No. 3—Light Dues.
 - No. 4—Goldfield Reward.
 - No. 5—Native Suitors.
 - No. 8—Customs Tariff.

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Seat of Government Acceptance Act and Seat of Government (Administration) Act—Ordinances of 1933—

No. 25—Instruments.

No. 29—Cemeteries.

Suspension of Sitting.—At ten minutes past seven o'clock a.m., Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Resumption of Sitting.—At half-past two o'clock p.m., Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

13. MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE.—Mr. Speaker announced the receipt of the following Messages from the Senate :—

[*Wheat Growers Relief Bill*]—

MR. SPEAKER,

Message No. 135.

The Senate returns to the House of Representatives the Bill for "*An Act to provide for Financial Assistance to the States in the Provision of Relief to Wheat Growers and for other purposes,*" and acquaints the House that the Senate has agreed to the Bill without amendment.

P. J. LYNCH,
President.

The Senate,
Canberra, 8th December, 1933.

[*Flour Tax Bill (No. 2)*]—

MR. SPEAKER,

Message No. 137.

The Senate returns to the House of Representatives the Bill for "*An Act to impose a Tax upon Flour held in Stock by certain Persons on the fourth day of December, One thousand nine hundred and thirty-three,*" and acquaints the House that the Senate has agreed to the Bill without requests.

P. J. LYNCH,
President.

The Senate,
Canberra, 8th December, 1933.

[*Flour Tax Bill (No. 3)*]—

MR. SPEAKER,

Message No. 138.

The Senate returns to the House of Representatives the Bill for "*An Act to impose a Tax upon Flour and certain Goods imported into Australia,*" and acquaints the House that the Senate has agreed to the Bill without requests.

P. J. LYNCH,
President.

The Senate,
Canberra, 8th December, 1933.

[*Flour Tax Assessment Bill*]—

MR. SPEAKER,

Message No. 139.

The Senate returns to the House of Representatives the Bill for "*An Act relating to the Imposition, Assessment and Collection of a Tax upon Flour and certain Imported Goods in the manufacture of which Flour has been used,*" and acquaints the House that the Senate has agreed to the Bill without amendment.

P. J. LYNCH,
President.

The Senate,
Canberra, 8th December, 1933.

[*Wheat Acquisition Bill*]—

MR. SPEAKER,

Message No. 140.

The Senate returns to the House of Representatives the Bill for "*An Act to provide for the Acquisition of Wheat by the Commonwealth and for other purposes,*" and acquaints the House that the Senate has agreed to the Bill without amendment.

P. J. LYNCH,
President.

The Senate,
Canberra, 8th December, 1933.

[*Sales Tax Assessment Bills (Nos. 1 to 9) (1933)*]—

MR. SPEAKER,

Message No. 141.

The Senate returns to the House of Representatives the following Bills :—

"A Bill for an Act to amend the 'Sales Tax Assessment Act (No. 1) 1930-1933'";

"A Bill for an Act to amend the 'Sales Tax Assessment Act (No. 2) 1930-1933'";

"A Bill for an Act to amend the 'Sales Tax Assessment Act (No. 3) 1930-1933'";

"A Bill for an Act to amend the 'Sales Tax Assessment Act (No. 4) 1930-1933'";

"A Bill for an Act to amend the 'Sales Tax Assessment Act (No. 5) 1930-1933'";

"A Bill for an Act to amend the 'Sales Tax Assessment Act (No. 6) 1930-1933'";

"A Bill for an Act to amend the 'Sales Tax Assessment Act (No. 7) 1930-1933'";

"A Bill for an Act to amend the 'Sales Tax Assessment Act (No. 8) 1930-1933'";

"A Bill for an Act to amend the 'Sales Tax Assessment Act (No. 9) 1930-1932'";

and acquaints the House that the Senate has agreed to the Bills without amendment.

P. J. LYNCH,
President.

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[*Copyright Bill (1933)*]—

MR. SPEAKER,

Message No. 142.

The Senate returns to the House of Representatives the Bill for "*An Act to amend the ' Copyright Act 1912 '*," and acquaints the House that the Senate has agreed to the Bill without amendment.

The Senate,
Canberra, 8th December, 1933.

P. J. LYNCH,
President.

[*Tariff Board Bill (1933)*]—

MR. SPEAKER,

Message No. 144.

The Senate returns to the House of Representatives the Bill for "*An Act to amend the ' Tariff Board Act 1921-1929 '*," and acquaints the House that the Senate has agreed to the Bill without amendment.

The Senate,
Canberra, 8th December, 1933.

P. J. LYNCH,
President.

[*South Australia Grant Bill (1933)*]—

MR. SPEAKER,

Message No. 145.

The Senate returns to the House of Representatives the Bill for "*An Act to grant and apply out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund a sum for the purposes of Financial Assistance to the State of South Australia,*" and acquaints the House that the Senate has agreed to the Bill without amendment.

The Senate,
Canberra, 8th December, 1933.

P. J. LYNCH,
President.

[*Western Australia Grant Bill (1933)*]—

MR. SPEAKER,

Message No. 146.

The Senate returns to the House of Representatives the Bill for "*An Act to grant and apply out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund a sum for the purposes of Financial Assistance to the State of Western Australia,*" and acquaints the House that the Senate has agreed to the Bill without amendment.

The Senate,
Canberra, 8th December, 1933.

P. J. LYNCH,
President.

[*Tasmania Grant Bill (1932)*]—

MR. SPEAKER,

Message No. 147.

The Senate returns to the House of Representatives the Bill for "*An Act to grant and apply out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund a sum for the purposes of Financial Assistance to the State of Tasmania,*" and acquaints the House that the Senate has agreed to the Bill without amendment.

The Senate,
Canberra, 8th December, 1933.

P. J. LYNCH,
President.

49. MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.—FLOUR TAX BILL (No. 1).—Mr. Speaker announced the receipt of the following Message from the Senate :—

MR. SPEAKER,

Message No. 136.

The Senate returns to the House of Representatives the Bill for "*An Act to impose a Tax upon Flour manufactured in Australia by any Person, and sold or delivered, or used in the Manufacture of Goods for sale, by him,*" and requests the House to amend the Bill as set forth in the annexed Schedule.

The Senate,
Canberra, 8th December, 1933.

P. J. LYNCH,
President.

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.*)

The Committee proceeded to consider the Amendment requested by the Senate, which is as follows :—

SCHEDULE OF A REQUEST BY THE SENATE FOR AN AMENDMENT.

Page 1, clause 2, lines 6 and 7, leave out " thirteen and fourteen and sub-sections (2.), (3.), (4.) and (5.) of section fifteen ", insert " and sub-sections (2.) and (3.) of section thirteen "

Requested Amendment made, after debate.

Resolution to be reported.

The House resumed ; Mr. Bell reported accordingly.

On the motion of Mr. Casey (Assistant Minister), the House adopted the Report.

Ordered—That the Bill, amended accordingly, be returned to the Senate.

6th, 7th and 8th December, 1933.

50. MESSAGE FROM THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL.—COCKATOO ISLAND DOCKYARD AGREEMENT BILL.—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor-General was presented, and the same was read by Mr. Speaker—

ISAAC A. ISAACS,
Governor-General.

Message No. 82.

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 revenue be made for the purposes of a Bill for an Act to approve an Agreement entered into between the Cockatoo Docks and Engineering Co. Limited, the Australian Commonwealth Shipping Board, and the Commonwealth of Australia, in relation to Cockatoo Island Dockyard.

Canberra, 23rd November, 1933.

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. Latham (Attorney-General) moved, That it is expedient that an appropriation of revenue be made for the purposes of a Bill for an Act to approve an Agreement entered into between the Cockatoo Docks and Engineering Co. Limited, the Australian Commonwealth Shipping Board, and the Commonwealth of Australia, in relation to Cockatoo Island Dockyard.

Question—put and passed.

Resolution to be reported.

The House resumed ; Mr. Bell reported accordingly.

The said Resolution was read, and, on the motion of Mr. Latham, by leave, was adopted by the House.

51. MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.—COCKATOO ISLAND DOCKYARD AGREEMENT BILL.—Mr. Speaker announced the receipt of the following Message from the Senate :—

MR. SPEAKER,

Message No. 143.

The Senate returns to the House of Representatives the Bill for "*An Act to approve an Agreement entered into between the Cockatoo Docks and Engineering Co. Limited, the Australian Commonwealth Shipping Board, and the Commonwealth of Australia, in relation to Cockatoo Island Dockyard.*" and acquaints the House that the Senate has agreed to the Bill without amendment.

P. J. LYNCH,
President.

The Senate,
Canberra, 8th December, 1933.

52. PAPER.—The following Paper was presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor-General—
Taxation—First Report of the Royal Commission.

Ordered to lie on the Table.

53. MINISTERIAL STATEMENT—PAPER INDUSTRY.—Mr. Latham (Attorney-General), by leave, made a Ministerial Statement in regard to the progress made in establishing the Paper Industry in Tasmania.
54. MINISTERIAL STATEMENT—FISHERIES INDUSTRY.—Mr. Latham (Attorney-General), by leave, made a Ministerial Statement in regard to the allocation of moneys provided by the Commonwealth for assistance to the Fisheries Industry.
55. MINISTERIAL STATEMENT—SHALE OIL INDUSTRY.—Mr. Latham (Attorney-General), by leave, made a Ministerial Statement in regard to the investigations being made by the Newnes Investigation Committee into the Shale Oil Industry.
56. MINISTERIAL STATEMENT—STATUTE OF WESTMINSTER.—Mr. Latham (Attorney-General), by leave, made a Ministerial Statement with regard to the reasons why the Commonwealth Government has not adopted the Statute of Westminster.
Mr. Scullin (Leader of the Opposition), by leave, also made a Statement with reference to the matter.
57. MINISTERIAL STATEMENT—FREE ISSUE OF COAL.—Mr. Latham (Attorney-General), by leave, made a Ministerial Statement in regard to the issue of certain surplus coal from naval stocks in New South Wales for the purpose of relieving distress in the Newcastle district.
58. MINISTERIAL STATEMENT—COTTON.—Mr. White (Minister for Trade and Customs), by leave, made a Ministerial Statement in regard to the Report by the Tariff Board on Cotton Lint and Yarns, and announced the proposed action of the Government in connexion therewith.
Mr. Forde, by leave, also made a Statement with reference to the matter.

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59. MESSAGE FROM THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL.—ASSENT TO BILLS.—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor-General was received, and the same was read by Mr. Speaker :—

ISAAC A. ISAACS,
Governor-General.

Message No. 83.

Proposed Laws intituled :—

“ Migrant Settlement Agreement Act 1933 ”,
“ Appropriation Act 1933-34 ”,

as finally passed by the Senate and the House of Representatives of the Commonwealth, having been presented to the Governor-General for the Royal Assent, His Excellency has, in the name and on behalf of His Majesty, assented to the said Laws.

Government House,
Canberra, 8th December, 1933.

60. WAYS AND MEANS—CUSTOMS TARIFF AMENDMENT (No. 4).—The House, according to Order, again resolved itself into the Committee of Ways and Means.

(In the Committee.)

Debate resumed on the motion previously moved by Mr. White (Minister for Trade and Customs) on 24th November, 1933 (see page 809).

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

The House resumed ; Mr. Prowse reported accordingly.

Resolved—That the House will, at a later hour this day, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

61. MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE.—Mr. Speaker announced the receipt of the following Messages from the Senate :—

[Trade Commissioners Bill]—

MR. SPEAKER,

Message No. 148.

The Senate returns to the House of Representatives the Bill for “ An Act to provide for the appointment of Trade Commissioners for the Commonwealth and for other purposes,” and acquaints the House that the Senate has agreed to the Bill without amendment.

The Senate,
Canberra, 8th December, 1933.

P. J. LYNCH,
President.

[Flour Tax Bill (No. 1)]—

MR. SPEAKER,

Message No. 149.

The Senate returns to the House of Representatives the Bill for “ An Act to impose a Tax upon Flour manufactured in Australia by any Person, and sold or delivered, or used in the manufacture of Goods for sale, by him,” and acquaints the House that the Senate has agreed to the Bill as amended by the House at the request of the Senate.

The Senate,
Canberra, 8th December, 1933.

P. J. LYNCH,
President.

62. MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.—INVALID AND OLD-AGE PENSIONS BILL (1933).—Mr. Speaker announced the receipt of the following Message from the Senate :—

MR. SPEAKER,

Message No. 150.

The Senate returns to the House of Representatives the Bill for “ An Act to amend the ‘ Invalid and Old-age Pensions Act 1908-1933 ’ in relation to Claims of the Commonwealth against Property of Pensioners,” and acquaints the House that the Senate has agreed to the Bill with the Amendment indicated by the annexed Schedule, in which Amendment the Senate requests the concurrence of the House of Representatives.

The Senate,
Canberra, 8th December, 1933.

P. J. LYNCH,
President.

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.)

The Committee proceeded to consider the Amendment made by the Senate, which is as follows :—

SCHEDULE OF THE AMENDMENT MADE BY THE SENATE.

Page 2, clause 4, line 42, after “ Commonwealth ” insert “ out of the estate of the pensioner ”.

Amendment agreed to.

Resolution to be reported.

The House resumed ; Mr. Bell reported accordingly.

On the motion of Mr. Latham (Attorney-General), the House adopted the Report.

6th, 7th and 8th December, 1933.

63. WAYS AND MEANS—CUSTOMS TARIFF AMENDMENT (No. 4).—The House, according to Order, again resolved itself into the Committee of Ways and Means.

(In the Committee.)

Debate resumed on the motion previously moved by Mr. White (Minister for Trade and Customs) on 24th November, 1933 (see page 809).

Motion agreed to.

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

The House resumed; Mr. Bell reported accordingly.

Resolved—That the House will, at the next sitting, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

Ordered—That the consideration of the Resolution be made an Order of the Day for the next sitting.

64. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDER OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That Order of the Day No. 15 be postponed until after Orders of the Day Nos. 16 and 17.

65. TOBACCO INQUIRY COMMITTEE—REPORT—MOTION FOR PRINTING PAPER.—The Order of the Day having been read for the resumption of the debate on the following motion of Mr. Riordan, That the Paper [*presented on the 16th November*], viz. :—

Tobacco Inquiry Committee, 1933—Report of Committee appointed by the Commonwealth Government to investigate certain aspects of the Tobacco Industry in North Queensland—

be printed—

Question—put and passed.

66. WHEAT—CONFERENCE OF WHEAT EXPORTING AND IMPORTING COUNTRIES—FINAL ACT—MOTION FOR PRINTING PAPER.—The Order of the Day having been read for the resumption of the debate on the following motion of Mr. Frederick Stewart (Minister for Commerce), That the Paper [*presented on the 6th October*], viz. :—

Wheat—Conference of Wheat Exporting and Importing Countries, London, August, 1933—Final Act (with Appendices)—

be printed—

Question—put and passed.

67. PAPERS.—The following Paper was presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor-General—Nauru—Ordinance of 1933—No. 10—Capitation Tax.

Ordered to lie on the Table.

The following Papers were presented, pursuant to Statute—

Norfolk Island Act—Ordinances of 1933—

No. 6—Exportation of Fruit.

No. 7—Rabbits.

No. 8—Electrical Wiring.

68. SPECIAL ADJOURNMENT.—Mr. Lyons (Prime Minister) moved, That the House, at its rising, adjourn until a date and hour to be fixed by Mr. Speaker, which time of meeting shall be notified by Mr. Speaker to each Member by telegram or letter.

Question—put and passed.

69. LEAVE OF ABSENCE TO ALL MEMBERS.—Mr. Lyons (Prime Minister) moved, by leave, That leave of absence be given to every Member of the House of Representatives from the determination of this sitting of the House to the date of its next sitting.

Question—put and passed.

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

Debate ensued.

Question—put and passed.

And then the House, at three minutes past six o'clock p.m. on Friday, adjourned until a date and hour to be fixed by Mr. Speaker, and to be notified by him to each Member by telegram or letter as determined by resolution of the House at this sitting.

MEMBERS PRESENT.—All Members were present (at some time during the sitting) except—Mr. Hutchin, and Mr. Stacey.

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