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THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA,
CANBERRA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

No. 144.

THURSDAY, 3RD DECEMBER, 1936.

1. The House met, at eleven o'clock a.m., pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker (the Honorable G. J. Bell) took the Chair, and read Prayers.
2. MINISTERIAL STATEMENT—MEAT EXPORT AGREEMENT.—Mr. Earle Page (Minister for Commerce), by leave, made a Ministerial Statement informing the House of the details of the recent agreement for the supply of meat from Australia to the United Kingdom.
3. PAPERS.—The following Paper was presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor-General—
Sugar Agreement—Fifth Annual Report of the Fruit Industry Sugar Concession Committee, for year ended 31st August, 1936 (*in substitution for Report tabled on 11th November last*).
Ordered to lie on the Table, and to be printed.
Mr. Speaker presented, pursuant to Statute—
Audit Act—Finance—Treasurer's Statement of Receipts and Expenditure for year ended 30th June, 1936, accompanied by the Report of the Auditor-General.
The following Papers were presented, pursuant to Statute—
Air Navigation Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1936, No. 156.
Apple and Pear Bounty Acts (1936)—Report on working of the Acts, together with return showing amount of bounty paid.
Australian Imperial Force Canteens Funds Act—Sixteenth Annual Report by the Trustees, for year 1935-36 (including the Sir Samuel McCaughey Bequest for the Technical Education of Soldiers' Children).
Norfolk Island Act—Ordinance No. 20 of 1936—Dogs Registration.
Northern Australia Survey Act—Aerial, Geological and Geophysical Survey of Northern Australia—Appendices to Report of the Committee for period ended 31st December, 1935.
4. WINE OVERSEAS MARKETING BILL (1936).—Mr. Earle Page (Minister for Commerce) moved, pursuant to notice, That he have leave to bring in a Bill for an Act to amend the *Wine Overseas Marketing Act 1929-1934* and for other purposes.
Question—put and passed.
Mr. Earle Page then brought up the Bill accordingly, and moved, That it be now read a first time.
Question—put and passed.—Bill read a first time.
Mr. Earle Page moved, by leave, That the Bill be now read a second time.
Debate ensued.

Distinguished Visitor.—Mr. Speaker informed the House that Mr. Leslie Blackwell, Member of the Parliament of the Union of South Africa, was within the precincts. The distinguished visitor thereupon, with the concurrence of honorable Members, was provided with a seat on the floor of the House.

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.)

Clauses 1 to 3 agreed to.

Clause 4—

On the motion of Mr. Earle Page, the following amendments were made, after debate:—

Page 2, line 21, omit "State of New South Wales", insert "States of New South Wales and Queensland".

Page 2, line 26, omit "and".

Page 2, after paragraph (e) insert the following paragraph:—

" (ea) one member to represent proprietary and privately owned wineries and distilleries in the State of Western Australia; and "

Page 2, lines 35 and 36, omit "State of New South Wales", insert "States of New South Wales and Queensland".

Page 2, line 37, omit "that State", insert "those States".

Page 2, after sub-clause (7.) insert the following sub-clause:—

" (7A.) The member appointed to represent proprietary and privately owned wineries and distilleries in the State of Western Australia shall be appointed upon the nomination of the associations in that State affiliated with the Federal Viticultural Council of Australia."

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Mr. Lazzarini moved, as a further amendment, That the words "upon the nomination of the Federal Grapegrowers' Council" (page 3, lines 2 and 3) be omitted, with a view to the insertion of the words "by vote of the Commonwealth grapegrowers" in place thereof.

Debate continued.

Amendment negatived.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

Clauses 5 to 7 agreed to.

Title agreed to.

Bill to be reported with amendments.

The House resumed; Mr. Prowse reported accordingly.

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

5. AIR NAVIGATION BILL (1936).—Mr. Menzies (Attorney-General) moved, pursuant to notice, That he have leave to bring in a Bill for an Act to amend the *Air Navigation Act 1920*.

Question—put and passed.

Mr. Menzies then brought up the Bill accordingly, and moved, That it be now read a first time.

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

Mr. Menzies moved, by leave, 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. Prowse reported accordingly.

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

6. MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.—LONDON NAVAL TREATY BILL (1936).—Mr. Speaker announced the receipt of the following Message from the Senate:—

MR. SPEAKER,

Message No. 171.

The Senate has passed a Bill for "*An Act to enable effect to be given to a Treaty signed at London on behalf of His Majesty and certain other Powers*", and transmits the same to the House of Representatives for its concurrence.

The Senate,
Canberra, 3rd December, 1936.

P. J. LYNCH,
President.

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

Question—put and passed.

7. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the Orders of the Day, Government Business, be postponed until after the consideration of General Business.

8. POSTPONEMENT OF NOTICE OF MOTION.—Ordered—That Notice of Motion No. 1, General Business, be postponed until Thursday, the 17th December.

9. DISALLOWANCE OF STATUTORY RULES.—Mr. Gregory moved, pursuant to notice, That Statutory Rules Nos. 69 and 92, being amendments of the Customs (Prohibited Imports) Regulations, be disallowed.

Debate ensued.

Mr. Nock 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 Thursday, 17th December.

10. INDUSTRIAL LEGISLATION.—Mr. Jennings moved, pursuant to notice, That in the opinion of this House industrial legislation should be uniform in Australia, and, to end the overlapping of industrial awards and the clashing of jurisdiction and the consequent confusion and expense owing to the multiplicity of Arbitration Courts and other industrial tribunals in the Commonwealth, action should be taken in conjunction with the States with a view to the initiation of one general industrial arbitration system in Australia.

Debate ensued.

Mr. Menzies (Attorney-General) 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 Thursday, 17th December.

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11. RAILWAY FROM WYNDHAM.—Mr. Albert Green moved, pursuant to notice, That in the opinion of this House it is desirable that the Commonwealth Government, with the assent and assistance of the Western Australian Government, should construct a railway from the meat works at Wyndham 200 miles; with the object of making a practicable and profitable outlet for the cattle from the Victoria River Downs and Wave Hill Districts of the Northern Territory.
Debate ensued.
Question—put and negatived.
12. POSTPONEMENT OF NOTICE OF MOTION.—Ordered That Notice of Motion No. 5, General Business, be postponed until Thursday, the 17th December.
13. DISALLOWANCE OF NORTHERN TERRITORY ORDINANCE.—Mr. Blain moved, pursuant to notice, That Northern Territory Ordinance No. 11 of 1935 be disallowed.
Debate ensued.
Question—put and negatived.
14. POSTPONEMENT OF NOTICES OF MOTION.—Ordered—That Notices of Motion Nos. 7 and 8, General Business, be postponed until Thursday, 17th December.
15. NORTHERN TERRITORY CLOSER SETTLEMENT.—The Order of the Day having been read for the resumption of the debate on the following motion of Mr. Aubrey Abbott: That this House declares that closer settlement of the good lands of the Northern Territory is of urgent national importance, and requests the Government to open a port in the Gulf of Carpentaria, which would be available for all classes of shipping—
Debate resumed.
Sir Archdale Parkhill (Minister for Defence) 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 Thursday, 17th December.
16. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the remaining Orders of the Day, General Business, be postponed until Thursday, 17th December.
17. MESSAGE FROM THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL.—ASSENT TO BILL.—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor-General was received, and was read by Mr. Speaker:—

GOWRIE,

*Governor-General.**Message No. 128.*

A Proposed Law intituled “ *Australian Soldiers’ Repatriation Act 1936* ” 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 Law.

Government House,

Canberra, 3rd December, 1936.

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

[*Customs Tariff Bill (No. 2) (1936)*]—

MR. SPEAKER,

Message No. 172.

The Senate returns to the House of Representatives the Bill for “ *An Act relating to Duties of Customs* ”, and acquaints the House that the Senate has agreed to the Bill without requests.

P. J. LYNCH,
President.

The Senate,

Canberra, 3rd December, 1936.

[*Customs Tariff (Exchange Adjustment) Bill (No. 2) (1936)*]—

MR. SPEAKER,

Message No. 173.

The Senate returns to the House of Representatives the Bill for “ *An Act to amend the ‘ Customs Tariff (Exchange Adjustment) Act 1933–1934 ’, as amended by the ‘ Customs Tariff (Exchange Adjustment) Act 1936 ’* ”, and acquaints the House that the Senate has agreed to the Bill without amendment.

P. J. LYNCH,
President.

The Senate,

Canberra, 3rd December, 1936.

[*Customs Tariff (Canadian Preference) Bill (No. 2) (1936)*]—

MR. SPEAKER,

Message No. 174.

The Senate returns to the House of Representatives the Bill for “ *An Act to amend the ‘ Customs Tariff (Canadian Preference) 1934 ’, as amended by the ‘ Customs Tariff (Canadian Preference) 1936 ’* ”, and acquaints the House that the Senate has agreed to the Bill without requests.

P. J. LYNCH,
President.

The Senate,

Canberra, 3rd December, 1936.

[*Customs Tariff Bill (No. 3) (1936)*]—

MR. SPEAKER,

Message No. 175.

The Senate returns to the House of Representatives the Bill for “ *An Act relating to Duties of Customs* ”, and acquaints the House that the Senate has agreed to the Bill without requests.

P. J. LYNCH,
President.

The Senate,

Canberra, 3rd December, 1936.

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[*Customs Tariff (Exchange Adjustment) Bill (No. 3) (1936)*—

MR. SPEAKER,

Message No. 176.

The Senate returns to the House of Representatives the Bill for “*An Act to amend the ‘Customs Tariff (Exchange Adjustment) Act 1933–1934’*, as amended by the ‘*Customs Tariff (Exchange Adjustment) Act 1936*’ and by the ‘*Customs Tariff (Exchange Adjustment) Act (No. 2) 1936*’”, and acquaints the House that the Senate has agreed to the Bill without amendment.

The Senate,
Canberra, 3rd December, 1936.

P. J. LYNCH,
President.

19. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDER OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That Order of the Day No. 1 be postponed until after Order of the Day No. 2, Government Business.
20. WAYS AND MEANS—COLONIAL LIGHT DUES (RATES).—The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Ways and Means.

(In the Committee.)

Mr. Thorby (Assistant Minister for Commerce) moved—

1. That Colonial light dues at the rate of one penny per ton of her register tonnage shall be imposed, with respect to each voyage of a ship, British or foreign, which is at any port, harbour or place in Australia, and which, in the course of any voyage, has passed and derived benefit from any of the following lighthouses or from the following buoy, namely :—

Lighthouses—

Abaco
Great Isaac
Cay Lobos
Elbow Cay
Great Stirrup Cay
Castle Island
Inagua
Bird Rock
Watling Island

Buoy—

Matanilla Shoal ;

and in respect of which benefit the Collector is not satisfied that Colonial light dues have already been paid in some part of His Majesty's dominions.

2. That Colonial light dues at the rate of one halfpenny per ton on her register tonnage shall be imposed, with respect to each voyage of a ship, British or foreign, which is at any port, harbour or place in Australia and which, in the course of any voyage, has passed and derived benefit from the following lighthouse, namely :—

Sombbrero Island ;

and in respect of which benefit the Collector is not satisfied that Colonial light dues have already been paid in some part of His Majesty's dominions.

3. That where, by Order in Council His Majesty fixes any rate of Colonial light dues in substitution for either of the rates hereinbefore specified, and the Governor-General, by regulation made under the *Colonial Light Dues (Rates) Act 1932* as amended by the Act passed to give effect to this Resolution, authorizes the imposition in the Commonwealth of Colonial light dues at the rate so fixed, Colonial light dues shall be imposed in the Commonwealth at the rate so fixed in lieu of the rate hereinbefore specified for which the rate so fixed is in substitution.

4. That Colonial light dues imposed under the *Colonial Light Dues (Rates) Act 1932* as amended by the Act passed to give effect to this Resolution shall be payable in currency of the United Kingdom or in Australian currency of such amount as, having regard to the rate of exchange prevailing at the time of payment, represents the equivalent, in currency of the United Kingdom, of the dues so imposed.

5. That, for the purposes of this Resolution, the term “the Collector” shall have the same meaning as in the *Colonial Light Dues Collection Act 1932–1934*.

Question—put and passed.

Resolution 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.

Mr. Thorby moved, pursuant to contingent notice, That the Standing Orders be suspended, to enable the remaining stages to be passed without delay.

Question—put and passed.

The Resolution reported from the Committee was read, and, on the motion of Mr. Thorby, was adopted by the House.

Ordered—That Mr. Thorby and Mr. Menzies do prepare and bring in a Bill to carry out the foregoing Resolution.

21. COLONIAL LIGHT DUES (RATES) BILL (1936).—Mr. Thorby (Assistant Minister for Commerce) then brought up a Bill intituled “*A Bill for an Act to amend the ‘Colonial Light Dues (Rates) Act 1932’*”, and moved, That it be now read a first time.

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

Mr. Thorby moved, That the Bill be now read a second time.

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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. Prowse reported accordingly.

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

22. BANKRUPTCY BILL (1936).—Mr. Menzies (Attorney-General) moved, by leave, That he have leave to bring in a Bill for an Act to amend the *Bankruptcy Act 1924-1933*.
Question put and passed.

Suspension of Sitting.—At six o'clock p.m., Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Resumption of Sitting.—At ten o'clock p.m., Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

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

[*Customs Tariff (Industries Preservation) Bill (1936)*]—

Message No. 177.

MR. SPEAKER,

The Senate returns to the House of Representatives the Bill for “ *An Act to amend the ‘ Customs Tariff (Industries Preservation) Act 1921-1933’* ”, and acquaints the House that the Senate has agreed to the Bill without amendment.

The Senate,
Canberra, 3rd December, 1936.

P. J. LYNCH,
President.

[*Sales Tax Amendment Bill*]—

Message No. 178.

MR. SPEAKER,

The Senate returns to the House of Representatives the Bill for “ *An Act to amend the Law relating to the Imposition, Assessment, Collection, and Recovery of a Tax upon the sale value of goods* ”, and acquaints the House that the Senate has agreed to the Bill without amendment.

The Senate,
Canberra, 3rd December, 1936.

P. J. LYNCH,
President.

[*States Grants (Unemployment Relief) Bill*]—

Message No. 179.

MR. SPEAKER,

The Senate returns to the House of Representatives the Bill for “ *An Act to grant and apply out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund sums for the purposes of Financial Assistance to the States of the Commonwealth in the provision of Assistance to persons out of employment* ”, and acquaints the House that the Senate has agreed to the Bill without amendment.

The Senate,
Canberra, 3rd December, 1936.

P. J. LYNCH,
President.

[*Trade Agreement (France) Bill*]—

Message No. 180.

MR. SPEAKER,

The Senate returns to the House of Representatives the Bill for “ *An Act to approve an Agreement contained in an Exchange of Notes between the Government of the Commonwealth of Australia and the Government of the French Republic* ”, and acquaints the House that the Senate has agreed to the Bill without amendment.

The Senate,
Canberra, 3rd December, 1936.

P. J. LYNCH,
President.

[*Customs Tariff Bill (No. 4) (1936)*]—

MR. SPEAKER,

Message No. 181.

The Senate returns to the House of Representatives the Bill for “ *An Act relating to Duties of Customs* ”, and acquaints the House that the Senate has agreed to the Bill without requests.

The Senate,
Canberra, 3rd December, 1936.

P. J. LYNCH,
President.

3rd December, 1936.

[*Customs Tariff (Exchange Adjustment) Bill (No. 4) (1936)*—

MR. SPEAKER,

Message No. 182.

The Senate returns to the House of Representatives the Bill for “*An Act to amend the ‘Customs Tariff (Exchange Adjustment) Act 1933–1934’*, as amended by the ‘*Customs Tariff (Exchange Adjustment) Act 1936’*”, by the ‘*Customs Tariff (Exchange Adjustment) Act (No. 2) 1936’*’, and by the ‘*Customs Tariff (Exchange Adjustment) Act (No. 3) 1936’*”, and acquaints the House that the Senate has agreed to the Bill without amendment.

The Senate,
Canberra, 3rd December, 1936.

P. J. LYNCH,
President.

[*Papua and New Guinea Bounties Bill (1936)*—

MR. SPEAKER,

Message No. 183.

The Senate returns to the House of Representatives the Bill for “*An Act to amend the ‘Papua and New Guinea Bounties Act 1926’*”, and acquaints the House that the Senate has agreed to the Bill without amendment.

The Senate,
Canberra, 3rd December, 1936.

P. J. LYNCH,
President.

[*Customs Bill (1936)*—

MR. SPEAKER,

Message No. 184.

The Senate returns to the House of Representatives the Bill for “*An Act to amend section one hundred and fifty-one A of the ‘Customs Act 1901–1935’ and to insert in that Act a new section one hundred and fifty-one B*”, and acquaints the House that the Senate has agreed to the Bill without amendment.

The Senate,
Canberra, 3rd December, 1936.

P. J. LYNCH,
President.

[*Customs Tariff (Papua and New Guinea Preference) Bill (1936)*—

MR. SPEAKER,

Message No. 185.

The Senate returns to the House of Representatives the Bill for “*An Act relating to Duties of Customs on goods imported into Australia from the Territory of Papua or the Territory of New Guinea*”, and acquaints the House that the Senate has agreed to the Bill without requests.

The Senate,
Canberra, 3rd December, 1936.

P. J. LYNCH,
President.

[*Coinage Bill (1936)*—

MR. SPEAKER,

Message No. 186.

The Senate returns to the House of Representatives the Bill for “*An Act to amend the ‘Coinage Act 1909’*”, and acquaints the House that the Senate has agreed to the Bill without amendment.

The Senate,
Canberra, 3rd December, 1936.

P. J. LYNCH,
President.

24. MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.—COMMONWEALTH RAILWAYS BILL [No. 2] (1936).—Mr. Speaker announced the receipt of the following Message from the Senate :—

MR. SPEAKER,

Message No. 187.

The Senate returns to the House of Representatives the Bill for “*An Act to amend the ‘Commonwealth Railways Act 1917–1925’*”, 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, 3rd December, 1936.

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 3, clause 11, line 22, leave out the clause, insert the following new clause :—

11. Section eighty-five of the Principal Act is repealed and the following section inserted in its stead :—

“85. The *Commonwealth Employees Compensation Act 1930* shall apply to employees of the Commissioner as if they were employees within the meaning of that Act.”

Application
of the
Commonwealth
Employees
Compensation
Act 1930.

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Amendment agreed to.
Resolution to be reported.

The House resumed ; Mr. Prowse reported accordingly.

On the motion of Mr. Thomas Paterson (Minister for the Interior), the House adopted the Report.

25. PAPERS. The following Paper was presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor-General - Bankruptcy Committee - Report of the Committee of Senators and of Members of the House of Representatives appointed to examine certain proposals to amend the *Bankruptcy Act 1924-1933*.

Ordered to lie on the Table, and to be printed.

The following Paper was presented, pursuant to Statute: -

Bankruptcy Act - Eighth Annual Report, for period 1st August, 1935, to 31st July, 1936.

Ordered to be printed.

26. BANKRUPTCY BILL (1936).—Mr. Menzies (Attorney-General), pursuant to leave given this day, brought up a Bill intituled “ *A Bill for an Act to amend the ‘Bankruptcy Act 1924-1933’* ”, and moved, That it be now read a first time.

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

Ordered—That the second reading be made an Order of the Day for the next sitting.

27. PAPER.—The following Paper was presented, pursuant to Statute—

Public Service Act—Thirteenth Report on the Commonwealth Public Service by the Board of Commissioners, dated 30th November, 1936.

Ordered to be printed.

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

Resumption of Sitting.—At twelve minutes after twelve o'clock midnight, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

FRIDAY, 4TH DECEMBER, 1936.

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

[*Income Tax Assessment Bill (No. 2) (1936)*]—

MR. SPEAKER,

Message No. 188.

The Senate returns to the House of Representatives the Bill for “ *An Act to repeal the provisions of the ‘Income Tax Assessment Act 1936’ relating to the special property tax, to amend the provisions of that Act relating to leases of land, and to amend sections twenty-three, thirty-six, thirty-seven, seventy-two, seventy-eight, one hundred and fifty-nine, one hundred and seventy and two hundred and eighteen of that Act* ”, and acquaints the House that the Senate has agreed to the Bill without amendment.

P. J. LYNCH,
President.

The Senate,
Canberra, 3rd December, 1936.

[*Petroleum Oil Search Bill (No. 2) (1936)*]—

MR. SPEAKER,

Message No. 189.

The Senate returns to the House of Representatives the Bill for “ *An Act to amend the ‘Petroleum Oil Search Act 1936’* ”, and acquaints the House that the Senate has agreed to the Bill without amendment.

P. J. LYNCH,
President.

The Senate,
Canberra, 3rd December, 1936.

[*Colonial Light Dues Collection Bill (1936)*]—

MR. SPEAKER,

Message No. 190.

The Senate returns to the House of Representatives the Bill for “ *An Act to amend the ‘Colonial Light Dues Collection Act 1932-1934’ 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, 3rd December, 1936.

[*Colonial Light Dues (Rates) Bill (1936)*]—

MR. SPEAKER,

Message No. 191.

The Senate returns to the House of Representatives the Bill for “ *An Act to amend the ‘Colonial Light Dues (Rates) Act 1932’* ”, and acquaints the House that the Senate has agreed to the Bill without amendment.

P. J. LYNCH,
President.

The Senate,
Canberra, 3rd December, 1936.

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[*Public Works Committee Bill* (1936)]—

MR. SPEAKER,

Message No. 192.

The Senate returns to the House of Representatives the Bill for "*An Act to amend the ' Commonwealth Public Works Committee Act 1913-1921 ' and for other purposes*", and acquaints the House that the Senate has agreed to the Bill without amendment.

The Senate,
Canberra, 3rd December, 1936.

P. J. LYNCH,
President.

[*Air Navigation Bill* (1936)]—

MR. SPEAKER,

Message No. 193.

The Senate returns to the House of Representatives the Bill for "*An Act to amend the ' Air Navigation Act 1920 ' "*, and acquaints the House that the Senate has agreed to the Bill without amendment.

The Senate,
Canberra, 3rd December, 1936.

P. J. LYNCH,
President.

[*Wine Overseas Marketing Bill* (1936)]—

MR. SPEAKER,

Message No. 194.

The Senate returns to the House of Representatives the Bill for "*An Act to amend the ' Wine Overseas Marketing Act 1929-1934 ' and for other purposes*", and acquaints the House that the Senate has agreed to the Bill without amendment.

The Senate,
Canberra, 4th December, 1936, *a.m.*

P. J. LYNCH,
President.

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

Lands Acquisition Act—Land acquired at Carramar, New South Wales—For Postal purposes.
Northern Territory Acceptance Act and Northern Territory (Administration) Act—Ordinance of 1936—No. 17—Jury.

30. PRINTING OF PAPER.—Mr. Casey (Treasurer) moved, That the following Paper, laid on the Table of the House this day, be printed :—

Audit Act—Finance—Treasurer's Statement of Receipts and Expenditure for year ended 30th June, 1936, accompanied by the Report of the Auditor-General.

Question—put and passed.

31. 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.

32. 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.

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

Debate ensued.

Question—put and passed.

And then the House, at twenty minutes to one o'clock in the morning, 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. Baker, Mr. Fiskin, Mr. Forde, Mr. George Lawson, Mr. John Lawson, Mr. W. Maloney, Sir Charles Marr, Mr. McBride, Mr. Perkins, and Mr. Stacey.

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