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THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA.
CANBERRA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

No. 122.

WEDNESDAY, 6TH DECEMBER, 1939.

1. The House met, at half-past two o'clock p.m., pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker (the Honorable G. J. Bell) took the Chair, and read Prayers.
2. ALTERATION OF HOUR OF NEXT MEETING.—Mr. Menzies (Prime Minister) moved, That the House, at its rising, adjourn until half-past ten o'clock a.m., to-morrow.
Question—put and passed.
3. THE LATE MR. F. LIDDELL.—Mr. Speaker informed the House that he had received from Miss Liddell a letter thanking the House for its Resolution of sympathy.
4. PAPERS.—Mr. Speaker presented, pursuant to Statute—
Audit Act—Finance—Treasurer's Statement of Receipts and Expenditure for year 1938-39, accompanied by the Report of the Auditor-General.
Ordered to be printed.
The following Papers were presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor-General—
Tariff Board—Reports and Recommendations—
Hoods other than of felt; hat forms of braid and similar material.
Hoop pine for export butter boxes.
Metal hinges, butt and tee.
Severally ordered to lie on the Table, and to be printed.
Commonwealth Railways—Statement giving *résumé* of inquiries into administration by W. H. Sharwood.
Sugar Agreement—Eighth Annual Report of the Fruit Industry Sugar Concession Committee, for year ended 31st August, 1939.
Severally ordered to lie on the Table.
The following Papers were presented, pursuant to Statute—
Defence Act—Regulations Amended—Statutory Rules 1939, No. 160.
National Security Act—Regulations Amended, &c.—Statutory Rules 1939, Nos. 162, 164.
New Guinea Act—Ordinances of 1939—
No. 25—Land (No. 2).
No. 26—Lands Registration.
No. 27—Native Labour.
Taxation—Twenty-first Report of Commissioner, dated 15th October, 1939, together with Statistical Appendices.
5. WAYS AND MEANS—CUSTOMS TARIFF AMENDMENT (No. 10).—The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Ways and Means.

(In the Committee.)

[See proposed Resolution for Customs Tariff Amendment of the 14th September, 1939 (pages 471-83)].
Items 110, 120, 146, 151, 158, 170, 174, 176, 177, 178, 181, 219, 229A, 269, 320, 326, 333, 338 and 390 agreed to.

Item 392 debated and agreed to.

Items 393, 415 and 419 agreed to.

Item 392, sub-item (c), reconsidered, by leave.

Debate ensued.

Question—That the sub-item be agreed to—put.

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

Ayes, 31.		Noes, 29.	
Mr. Anthony	Mr. McCall	Mr. Barnard	Mr. McHugh
Mr. Badman	Mr. McEwen	Mr. Beasley	Mr. Mulcahy
Mr. Cameron	Mr. Menzies	Mr. Blackburn	Mr. Pollard
Mr. Collins	Mr. Paterson	Mr. Brennan	Mr. Riordan
Mr. Fadden	Mr. Perkins	Mr. Clark	Mr. Rosevear
Mr. Francis	Mr. Price	Mr. Conelan	Mr. Scullin
Mr. Gregory	Mr. Prowse	Mr. Curtin	Mr. Scully
Sir Henry Gullett	Mr. Rankin	Mr. Drakeford	Mr. Sheehan
Mr. Harrison	Mr. Scholfield	Mr. Forde	Mr. Spurr
Mr. Holt	Mr. Spender	Mr. Frost	Mr. Ward
Mr. Hughes	Sir Frederick Stewart	Mr. Green	Mr. Watkins
Mr. Hutchinson	Mr. Street	Mr. Holloway	
Mr. Jennings		Mr. James	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. Jolly	<i>Tellers:</i>	Mr. Lazzarini	Mr. Gander
Mr. Lane	Mr. Gardner	Mr. Mahoney	Mr. George Lawson
Mr. John Lawson	Mr. Nock	Mr. Martens	
Sir Charles Marr			

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Item 433 debated—

Question—That the Item be agreed to—put.

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

Ayes, 32.		Noes, 31.	
Mr. Anthony	Mr. Menzies	Mr. Barnard	Mr. Martens
Mr. Badman	Sir Earle Page	Mr. Beasley	Mr. McHugh
Mr. Cameron	Mr. Paterson	Mr. Blackburn	Mr. Mulcahy
Mr. Collins	Mr. Perkins	Mr. Brennan	Mr. Pollard
Mr. Fadden	Mr. Price	Mr. Clark	Mr. Riordan
Mr. Francis	Mr. Prowse	Mr. Conelan	Mr. Rosevear
Mr. Gregory	Mr. Rankin	Mr. Curtin	Mr. Scullin
Sir Henry Gullett	Mr. Scholfield	Mr. Drakeford	Mr. Scully
Mr. Harrison	Mr. Spender	Mr. Forde	Mr. Sheehan
Mr. Holt	Sir Frederick Stewart	Mr. Frost	Mr. Spurr
Mr. Hughes	Mr. Street	Mr. Green	Mr. Ward
Mr. Hunter	Mr. Thompson	Mr. Holloway	Mr. Watkins
Mr. Jennings	Mr. Thorby	Mr. James	
Mr. Jolly	<i>Tellers:</i>	Mr. Lane	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. John Lawson	Mr. Gardner	Mr. Lazzarini	Mr. Gander
Mr. McCall	Mr. Nock	Mr. Mahoney	Mr. George Lawson
Mr. McEwen		Sir Charles Marr	

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Item 443 agreed to.

Preliminary paragraphs—

On the motion of Mr. John Lawson (Minister for Trade and Customs), the following amendment was made:—Paragraph (5.), omit the definition of “Customs Tariff Proposals”, insert the following:—
 “‘Customs Tariff Proposals’ means the Customs Tariff Proposals introduced into the House of Representatives on the 8th September, 1939.”

Preliminary paragraphs, as amended, agreed to.

Prefatory Note agreed to.

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

The House resumed; Mr. Nairn reported accordingly.

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

Mr. John Lawson moved, pursuant to contingent notice, That so much of the Standing Orders be suspended as would prevent the remaining stages being passed without delay.

Question—put and passed.

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

Ordered—That Mr. John Lawson and Sir Frederick Stewart do prepare and bring in a Bill to carry out the foregoing Resolution.

6. CUSTOMS TARIFF BILL (No. 4) 1939.—Mr. John Lawson (Minister for Trade and Customs) then brought up a Bill intituled “*A Bill for an Act relating to Duties of Customs*”, and moved, That it be now read a first time.

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

Mr. John Lawson 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.)

Clauses 1 to 4 agreed to.

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New clause—

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

“ 3A. Duties of Customs collected in accordance with Customs Tariff proposals introduced in the House of Representatives on the fourteenth day of September, One thousand nine hundred and thirty-nine, in respect of goods the rate of duty on which, as specified in those proposals, has, prior to the passing of this Act, been disagreed with by the House of Representatives, shall, where the duty is collected prior to the sixth day of December, One thousand nine hundred and thirty-nine, at nine o'clock in the forenoon reckoned according to standard time in the Australian Capital Territory, be deemed to have been the duties lawfully imposed in respect of those goods as at the time of collection, and those duties shall be deemed to have been lawfully imposed and collected.”

Schedule agreed to.

Title agreed to.

Bill to be reported with an amendment.

The House resumed ; Mr. Prowse reported accordingly.

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

7. MESSAGE FROM THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL.—MOTOR VEHICLE ENGINE BOUNTY BILL 1939.—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor-General was presented, and was read by Mr. Speaker :—

GOWRIE,

*Governor-General.**Message No. 104.*

In accordance with the requirements of Section fifty-six 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 provide for the Payment of a Bounty on the Production of Motor Vehicle Engines.

Canberra, 6th December, 1939.

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. John Lawson (Minister for Trade and Customs) moved, That it is expedient that an appropriation of revenue be made for the purposes of a Bill for an Act to provide for the Payment of a Bounty on the Production of Motor Vehicle Engines.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and passed.

Resolution to be reported.

The House resumed ; Mr. Prowse reported accordingly.

Mr. John Lawson moved, pursuant to contingent notice, That so much of the Standing Orders be suspended as would prevent the remaining stages being passed without delay.

Question—put and passed.

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

Ordered—That Mr. John Lawson and Mr. Holt do prepare and bring in a Bill to carry out the foregoing Resolution.

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

Mr. Forde moved, That the debate be now adjourned.

Question—That the debate be now adjourned—put and passed.

Ordered—That the resumption of the debate be made an Order of the Day for the next sitting.

8. 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. 105.*

A Proposed Law intituled “ *Wine Export Bounty Act 1939* ” 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, 6th December, 1939.

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

(In the Committee.)

[See proposed Resolution for Customs Tariff (Exchange Adjustment) Amendment of the 14th September, 1939 (page 483)].

The motion previously moved by Mr. John Lawson (Minister for Trade and Customs) was further considered.

6th December, 1939.

On the motion of Mr. John Lawson, the following amendments were made :—

After " 105 (F) (2) " add the following :—" up to and including 5th December, 1939."

Insert the following :—" by inserting as on and after 6th December, 1939, ' 105 (F) (1) ' and ' 105 (F) (2) ' ".

Motion, as amended, agreed to.

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. John Lawson moved, pursuant to contingent notice, That so much of the Standing Orders be suspended as would prevent the remaining stages being passed without delay.

Question—put and passed.

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

Ordered—That Mr. John Lawson and Sir Frederick Stewart do prepare and bring in a Bill to carry out the foregoing Resolution.

10. CUSTOMS TARIFF (EXCHANGE ADJUSTMENT) BILL (No. 2) 1939.—Mr. John Lawson (Minister for Trade and Customs), pursuant to Orders of the House, made on the 21st September, and this day, with reference to Resolutions relating to Customs Tariff (Exchange Adjustment) Amendments (Nos. 3 and 4), brought up a Bill intituled " *A Bill for an Act to amend the ' Customs Tariff (Exchange Adjustment) Act 1933-1938 ' , as amended by the ' Customs Tariff (Exchange Adjustment) Act 1939 '* ", and moved, That it be now read a first time.

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

Mr. John Lawson 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.*)

Clauses 1 and 2 agreed to.

Clause 3—

On the motion of Mr. John Lawson, the following amendment was made :—Page 2, at the end of the clause add the following sub-clause :—

" (2.) Where, by any amendment made by this Act, any further variation in duties of Customs is made as on and after any date later than the fifteenth day of September, One thousand nine hundred and thirty-nine, the further variation shall be deemed to have come into operation on and after that later date at nine o'clock in the forenoon reckoned according to standard time in the Australian Capital Territory."

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

Schedule agreed to.

Title agreed to.

Bill to be reported with an amendment.

The House resumed ; Mr. Prowse reported accordingly.

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

11. WAYS AND MEANS—CUSTOMS TARIFF (CANADIAN PREFERENCE) AMENDMENT (No. 3).—The House, according to Order, again resolved itself into the Committee of Ways and Means.

(*In the Committee.*)

[*See proposed Resolution for Customs Tariff (Canadian Preference) Amendment of the 14th September, 1939 (pages 483-4) .*]

The motion previously moved by Mr. John Lawson (Minister for Trade and Customs) was agreed to. 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. John Lawson moved, pursuant to contingent notice, That so much of the Standing Orders be suspended as would prevent the remaining stages being passed without delay.

Question—put and passed.

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

Ordered—That Mr. John Lawson and Sir Frederick Stewart do prepare and bring in a Bill to carry out the foregoing Resolution.

12. CUSTOMS TARIFF (CANADIAN PREFERENCE) BILL 1939.—Mr. John Lawson (Minister for Trade and Customs), pursuant to Orders of the House, made on the 21st September, and this day, with reference to Resolutions relating to Customs Tariff (Canadian Preference) Amendments (Nos. 2 and 3), brought up a Bill intituled " *A Bill for an Act to amend the ' Customs Tariff (Canadian Preference) 1934-1938 '* ", and moved, That it be now read a first time.

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

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

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

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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. John Lawson, the House adopted the Report, and the Bill was read a third time.

13. WAYS AND MEANS—CUSTOMS TARIFF AMENDMENT (No. 12).—The House, according to Order, again resolved itself into the Committee of Ways and Means.

(*In the Committee.*)

[See proposed Resolution for Customs Tariff Amendment of the 22nd September, 1939 (pages 515–8)].
Items 105, 176, 180, 181, 193, 334 and 359 agreed to.

Preliminary paragraphs—

On the motion of Mr. John Lawson (Minister for Trade and Customs), the second preliminary paragraph was omitted and the following inserted in place thereof :—

“That in this Resolution ‘ Customs Tariff Proposals ’ means the Customs Tariff Proposals introduced into the House of Representatives on the following dates, namely :—

8th September, 1939 ;

14th September, 1939 (Customs Tariff Proposals No. 10) ; and

21st September, 1939.”

Preliminary paragraphs, as amended, agreed to.

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. John Lawson moved, pursuant to contingent notice, That so much of the Standing Orders be suspended as would prevent the remaining stages being passed without delay.

Question—put and passed.

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

Ordered—That Mr. John Lawson and Sir Henry Gullett do prepare and bring in a Bill to carry out the foregoing Resolution.

14. CUSTOMS TARIFF BILL (No. 5) 1939.—Mr. John Lawson (Minister for Trade and Customs) then brought up a Bill intituled “ *A Bill for an Act relating to Duties of Customs* ”, and moved, That it be now read a first time.

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

Mr. John Lawson 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. Prowse reported accordingly.

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

15. WAYS AND MEANS—CUSTOMS TARIFF (EXCHANGE ADJUSTMENT) AMENDMENT (No. 5).—The House, according to Order, again resolved itself into the Committee of Ways and Means.

(*In the Committee.*)

[See proposed Resolution for Customs Tariff (Exchange Adjustment) Amendment of the 22nd September, 1939 (page 518)].

The motion previously moved by Mr. John Lawson (Minister for Trade and Customs) was agreed to.

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. John Lawson moved, pursuant to contingent notice, That so much of the Standing Orders be suspended as would prevent the remaining stages being passed without delay.

Question—put and passed.

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

Ordered—That Mr. John Lawson and Sir Henry Gullett do prepare and bring in a Bill to carry out the foregoing Resolution.

16. CUSTOMS TARIFF (EXCHANGE ADJUSTMENT) BILL (No. 3) 1939.—Mr. John Lawson (Minister for Trade and Customs) then brought up a Bill intituled “ *A Bill for an Act to amend the ‘ Customs Tariff (Exchange Adjustment) Act 1933–1938 ’, as amended by the ‘ Customs Tariff (Exchange Adjustment) Act 1939 ’ and by the ‘ Customs Tariff (Exchange Adjustment) Act (No. 2) 1939 ’* ”, and moved, That it be now read a first time.

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

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Mr. John Lawson 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. Prowse reported accordingly.

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

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

(*In the Committee.*)

[See proposed Resolution for Customs Tariff (Canadian Preference) Amendment of the 22nd September, 1939 (page 518)].

The motion previously moved by Mr. John Lawson (Minister for Trade and Customs) was agreed to. 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. John Lawson moved, pursuant to contingent notice, That so much of the Standing Orders be suspended as would prevent the remaining stages being passed without delay.

Question—put and passed.

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

Ordered—That Mr. John Lawson and Sir Henry Gullett do prepare and bring in a Bill to carry out the foregoing Resolution.

18. CUSTOMS TARIFF (CANADIAN PREFERENCE) BILL (No. 2) 1939.—Mr. John Lawson (Minister for Trade and Customs) then brought up a Bill intituled “*A Bill for an Act to amend the ‘Customs Tariff (Canadian Preference) 1934–1938’ as amended by the ‘Customs Tariff (Canadian Preference) 1939’*”, and moved, That it be now read a first time.

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

Mr. John Lawson 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. Prowse reported accordingly.

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

19. WAYS AND MEANS—CUSTOMS TARIFF AMENDMENT (No. 13).—The House, according to Order, again resolved itself into the Committee of Ways and Means.

(*In the Committee.*)

[See proposed Resolution for Customs Tariff Amendment of the 22nd September, 1939 (pages 519–20)]. Items 176 and 424 agreed to.

Preliminary paragraphs—

On the motion of Mr. John Lawson (Minister for Trade and Customs), the second preliminary paragraph was omitted and the following inserted in place thereof :—

“That in this Resolution ‘Customs Tariff Proposals’ means the Customs Tariff Proposals introduced into the House of Representatives on the following dates, namely :—

8th September, 1939 ;

14th September, 1939 (Customs Tariff Proposals No. 10) ;

21st September, 1939 ; and

22nd September, 1939 (Customs Tariff Proposals No. 12).”

Preliminary paragraphs, as amended, agreed to.

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. John Lawson moved, pursuant to contingent notice, That so much of the Standing Orders be suspended as would prevent the remaining stages being passed without delay.

Question—put and passed.

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

Ordered—That Mr. John Lawson and Sir Henry Gullett do prepare and bring in a Bill to carry out the foregoing Resolution.

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20. CUSTOMS TARIFF BILL (No. 6) 1939.—Mr. John Lawson (Minister for Trade and Customs) then brought up a Bill intituled “ *A Bill for an Act relating to Duties of Customs* ”, and moved, That it be now read a first time.

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

Mr. John Lawson 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. Prowse reported accordingly.

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

21. WAYS AND MEANS—CUSTOMS TARIFF (EXCHANGE ADJUSTMENT) AMENDMENT (No. 6).—The House, according to Order, again resolved itself into the Committee of Ways and Means.

(*In the Committee.*)

[See proposed Resolution for Customs Tariff (Exchange Adjustment) Amendment of the 22nd September, 1939 (page 520)].

The motion previously moved by Mr. John Lawson (Minister for Trade and Customs) was agreed to. 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. John Lawson moved, pursuant to contingent notice, That so much of the Standing Orders be suspended as would prevent the remaining stages being passed without delay.

Question—put and passed.

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

Ordered—That Mr. John Lawson and Sir Henry Gullett do prepare and bring in a Bill to carry out the foregoing Resolution.

22. CUSTOMS TARIFF (EXCHANGE ADJUSTMENT) BILL (No. 4) 1939.—Mr. John Lawson (Minister for Trade and Customs) then brought up a Bill intituled “ *A Bill for an Act to amend the ‘ Customs Tariff (Exchange Adjustment) Act 1933–1938 ’, as amended by the ‘ Customs Tariff (Exchange Adjustment) Act 1939 ’, by the ‘ Customs Tariff (Exchange Adjustment) Act (No. 2) 1939 ’ and by the ‘ Customs Tariff (Exchange Adjustment) Act (No. 3) 1939 ’* ”, and moved, That it be now read a first time.

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

Mr. John Lawson 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. Prowse reported accordingly.

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

23. WAYS AND MEANS—CUSTOMS TARIFF AMENDMENT (No. 14).—The House, according to Order, again resolved itself into the Committee of Ways and Means.

(*In the Committee.*)

[See proposed Resolution for Customs Tariff Amendment of the 30th November, 1939 (page 548)].

Item 320, viz. :—

	British Preferential Tariff.	Intermediate Tariff.	General Tariff.
320. By omitting the whole of paragraph (1) of sub-item (o) and inserting in its stead the following paragraph :— “(1) Sensitized kinematograph film, unexposed per lineal foot	ld.	ld.	ld.”
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Debate ensued.

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On the motion of Mr. John Lawson (Minister for Trade and Customs), the Item was amended by omitting paragraph (1) of sub-item (c) and inserting the following paragraph in place thereof:—

	British Preferential Tariff.	Intermediate Tariff.	General Tariff.
" (1) Sensitized kinematograph film, unexposed— (a) As prescribed by Departmental By-laws — (b) Otherwise - - - - - per lineal foot	Free Id.	Free Id.	Free Id."

Item, as amended, agreed to.
Preliminary paragraphs agreed to.
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. John Lawson moved, pursuant to contingent notice, That so much of the Standing Orders be suspended as would prevent the remaining stages being passed without delay.
Question—put and passed.
The Resolution reported from the Committee was read, and, on the motion of Mr. John Lawson, was adopted by the House.
Ordered—That Mr. John Lawson and Mr. Holt do prepare and bring in a Bill to carry out the foregoing Resolution.

24. CUSTOMS TARIFF BILL (No. 7) 1939.—Mr. John Lawson (Minister for Trade and Customs) then brought up a Bill intituled "*A Bill for an Act relating to Duties of Customs*", and moved, That it be now read a first time.
Question—put and passed.—Bill read a first time.
Mr. John Lawson 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. Prowse reported accordingly.
On the motion of Mr. John Lawson, the House adopted the Report, and the Bill was read a third time.

25. WAYS AND MEANS—EXCISE TARIFF AMENDMENT (No. 7).—The House, according to Order, again resolved itself into the Committee of Ways and Means.

(*In the Committee.*)

[See proposed Resolution for Excise Tariff Amendment of the 30th November, 1939 (page 549)].
Item 11 agreed to.
Preliminary paragraphs agreed to.
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. John Lawson moved, pursuant to contingent notice, That so much of the Standing Orders be suspended as would prevent the remaining stages being passed without delay.
Question—put and passed.
The Resolution reported from the Committee was read, and, on the motion of Mr. John Lawson, was adopted by the House.
Ordered—That Mr. John Lawson and Mr. Harrison do prepare and bring in a Bill to carry out the foregoing Resolution.

26. EXCISE TARIFF BILL (No. 3) 1939.—Mr. John Lawson (Minister for Trade and Customs) then brought up a Bill intituled "*A Bill for an Act relating to Duties of Excise*", and moved, That it be now read a first time.
Question—put and passed.—Bill read a first time.
Mr. John Lawson 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. Prowse reported accordingly.
On the motion of Mr. John Lawson, the House adopted the Report, and the Bill was read a third time.

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IMPORT DUTIES—*continued.*

Tariff Items.	British Preferential Tariff.	Intermediate Tariff.	General Tariff.
Division V.—Textiles, Felts and Furs, and Manufactures thereof, and Attire—<i>continued.</i>			
130— <i>continued.</i>			
(B) Not waterproofed by treatment with any substance—			
(1) Cotton or containing a mixture of fibres in which cotton predominates—			
(a) As prescribed by Departmental By-laws—			
(1) Unbleached, not being printed dyed or coloured	½d.	1½d.	2½d.
per square yard or ad val.	5 per cent.
whichever rate returns the lower duty.			
(2) Bleached, not being printed dyed or coloured	½d.	1½d.	3d.
per square yard or ad val.	5 per cent.
whichever rate returns the lower duty.			
(3) Printed, dyed or coloured	½d.	2d.	3½d.
per square yard or ad val.	5 per cent.
whichever rate returns the lower duty.			
And in respect of sub-paragraph (a)— On and after a date to be fixed by Proclamation—			
(a) As prescribed by Departmental By-laws	1½d.	5d.	6½d.
per square yard			
And in respect of sub-paragraph (a) (second time occurring)—			
For each £1 by which the equivalent in Australian currency of £100 sterling is less than £125 at the date of exportation—			
An additional duty of - ad val.	.8 per cent.	.8 per cent.	.8 per cent.
(b) Otherwise - - per lb. and ad val.	4d. 30 per cent.	11d. 50 per cent.	1s. 1d. 50 per cent.
And in respect of sub-paragraph (b)—			
For each £1 by which the equivalent in Australian currency of £100 sterling is less than £125 at the date of exportation—			
An additional duty of - ad val.	.8 per cent.	.8 per cent.	.8 per cent.
(2) Other - - - ad val.	5 per cent.	25 per cent.	25 per cent."

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CUSTOMS TARIFF (EXCHANGE ADJUSTMENT) AMENDMENT (No. 7).

That, on and after the seventh day of December, One thousand nine hundred and thirty-nine, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, reckoned according to standard time in the Australian Capital Territory, the Schedule to the *Customs Tariff (Exchange Adjustment) Act 1933-1939* as proposed to be amended by Customs Tariff (Exchange Adjustment) Proposals be further amended as hereunder set out.

That in this resolution "Customs Tariff (Exchange Adjustment) Proposals" mean the Customs Tariff (Exchange Adjustment) Proposals introduced into the House of Representatives on the following dates, namely:—

14th September, 1939; and

22nd September, 1939.

by omitting "130 (A)" and "130 (B) (1) (b)";

by omitting "289 (A)".

CUSTOMS TARIFF (CANADIAN PREFERENCE) AMENDMENT (No. 5).

That the Schedule to the *Customs Tariff (Canadian Preference) 1934-1938*, as proposed to be amended by Customs Tariff (Canadian Preference) Proposals, be further amended as hereinafter set out, and that on and after the seventh day of December, One thousand nine hundred and thirty-nine, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, reckoned according to standard time in the Australian Capital Territory, Duties of Customs be collected in pursuance of the *Customs Tariff (Canadian Preference) 1934-1938* as so amended.

That in this Resolution "Customs Tariff (Canadian Preference) Proposals" mean the Customs Tariff (Canadian Preference) Proposals introduced into the House of Representatives on the following dates, namely:—

14th September, 1939; and

22nd September, 1939.

Tariff Item.	Tariff on goods the produce or manufacture of Canada.
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DIVISION VI.—METALS AND MACHINERY.

By inserting the following:—

"176. (o) Lifting jacks each	6s. 6d.
or ad val.	25 per cent.
whichever rate returns the higher duty.	
And in respect of sub-item (o)—	
For each £1 by which the equivalent in Australian currency of £100 sterling is less than £125 at the date of exportation—	
An additional duty of each	½d.
or ad val.	.8 per cent.
whichever is applicable."	

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.

29. NATIONAL OIL PROPRIETARY LIMITED AGREEMENT BILL 1939.—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. Beasley, who moved, as an amendment, That all words after "That" be omitted with a view to the insertion of the following words in place thereof:—"this House is of the opinion that the Bill should be withdrawn so that the Agreement therein referred to may be reconsidered with the object of ensuring that the securities now held by the Commonwealth over the National Oil Proprietary Limited's land shall not be surrendered until a proper scheme has been devised for the housing of its employees".

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. Bell, in the Chair)—

Ayes, 36.		Noes, 29.	
Mr. Anthony	Mr. McEwen	Mr. Barnard	Mr. McHugh
Mr. Badman	Mr. Menzies	Mr. Beasley	Mr. Mulcahy
Mr. Cameron	Mr. Nairn	Mr. Blackburn	Mr. Pollard
Mr. Collins	Sir Earle Page	Mr. Brennan	Mr. Riordan
Mr. Corser	Mr. Paterson	Mr. Clark	Mr. Rosevear
Mr. Fadden	Mr. Perkins	Mr. Conelan	Mr. Scullin
Mr. Francis	Mr. Price	Mr. Curtin	Mr. Scully
Mr. Gregory	Mr. Prowse	Mr. Drakeford	Mr. Sheehan
Sir Henry Gullett	Mr. Rankin	Mr. Forde	Mr. Spurr
Mr. Harrison	Mr. Scholfeld	Mr. Frost	Mr. Ward
Mr. Holt	Mr. Spender	Mr. Green	Mr. Wilson
Mr. Hughes	Sir Frederick Stewart	Mr. Holloway	
Mr. Hunter	Mr. Thompson	Mr. James	
Mr. Hutchinson	Mr. Thorby	Mr. Lazzarini	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. Jennings	Mr. White	Mr. Mahoney	Mr. Gander
Mr. Jolly		Mr. Martens	Mr. George Lawson
Mr. Lane	<i>Tellers:</i>		
Mr. John Lawson	Mr. Gardner		
Mr. McCall	Mr. Nock		

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.)

Clauses 1 to 3 agreed to.

New clause—

On the motion of Mr. Holt (Minister assisting the Minister for Supply and Development), the following new clause was inserted in the Bill :—

“ 4. The *National Oil Proprietary Limited Agreement Act 1937* shall be read and construed as if the Fourth Schedule to the Agreement, a copy of which is set forth in the Schedule to that Act, contained, and had at the date of execution of that Agreement contained, words excluding from that Schedule the lands described in the First Part of the Schedule to the Agreement a copy of which is set forth in the Schedule to this Act.”

Schedule debated and agreed to.

Title agreed to.

Bill to be reported with an amendment.

The House resumed ; Mr. Prowse reported accordingly.

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

30. PATENTS, TRADE MARKS, DESIGNS AND COPYRIGHT (WAR POWERS) BILL 1939.—The Order of the Day having been read for the second reading—Mr. Hughes (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.)

Clauses 1 and 2 agreed to.

Clause 3—

On the motion of Mr. Hughes, the following amendment was made :—Page 2, line 21, after “ inventor ” insert “, or by his legal representative or assignee ”.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

Clause 4 agreed to.

Clause 5—

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

Page 3, omit sub-clause (2.), insert the following sub-clause :—

“ (2.) Where, during the present state of war, an enemy subject is, or has been, whether alone or jointly with any other person—

(a) the proprietor of a patent or registered design or the owner of a copyright ; or

(b) entitled to some other interest in a patent, registered design or copyright (not being merely the interest of a licensee),

in respect of which a licence in favour of a person resident or carrying on business in Australia is in force, the Attorney-General may, on the application of the licensee or of any other person interested in the patent, registered design or copyright, by order—

(c) revoke the licence ;

(d) revoke or vary any condition subject to which the licence has effect ; or

(e) revoke or vary any of the provisions of a contract in so far as they relate to the licence,

and may, by order, revoke or vary any such order.”

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Clause, as amended, agreed to.

Clauses 6 and 7 agreed to.

Clause 8—

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

Page 6, lines 31–33, omit “ or any other proceedings relating to a patent, registered trade mark, registered design or registered copyright ”.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

Clause 9—

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

Page 7, lines 14 and 15, omit “ and may, by order, revoke or vary any order so made ”.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

Clauses 10 to 17 agreed to.

Title agreed to.

Bill to be reported with amendments.

The House resumed ; Mr. Prowse reported accordingly.

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

31. RULES PUBLICATION BILL 1939.—The Order of the Day having been read for the second reading—

Mr. Hughes (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. Prowse reported accordingly.

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

32. SULPHUR BOUNTY BILL (No. 2) 1939.—The Order of the Day having been read for the second reading—

Mr. John Lawson (Minister for Trade and Customs) 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. Prowse reported accordingly.

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

33. TRACTOR BOUNTY BILL (No. 2) 1939.—The Order of the Day having been read for the second reading—

Mr. John Lawson (Minister for Trade and Customs) 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. Prowse reported accordingly.

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

34. WIRE NETTING BOUNTY BILL (No. 2) 1939.—The Order of the Day having been read for the second

reading—Mr. John Lawson (Minister for Trade and Customs) 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.*)

Clauses 1 and 2 agreed to.

Title agreed to.

Bill to be reported without amendment.

The House resumed ; Mr. Prowse reported accordingly.

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

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35. NEWSPRINTING PAPER BOUNTY BILL 1939.—The Order of the Day having been read for the second reading.—Mr. John Lawson (Minister for Trade and Customs) 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. Prowse reported accordingly.

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

The House continuing to sit until after midnight—

THURSDAY, 7TH DECEMBER, 1939.

36. TRADE AGREEMENT (BRAZIL) BILL 1939.—The Order of the Day having been read for the second reading—Mr. John Lawson (Minister for Trade and Customs) 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. Prowse reported accordingly.

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

37. TRADE AGREEMENT (NEWFOUNDLAND) BILL 1939.—The Order of the Day having been read for the second reading—Mr. John Lawson (Minister for Trade and Customs) 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, after debate.

Bill to be reported without amendment.

The House resumed; Mr. Prowse reported accordingly.

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

38. WAYS AND MEANS—CUSTOMS TARIFF (NEWFOUNDLAND PREFERENCE).—The House, according to Order, again resolved itself into the Committee of Ways and Means.

(*In the Committee.*)

Mr. John Lawson (Minister for Trade and Customs) moved—

(1.) That, on and after a time and date to be fixed by Proclamation, duties of Customs at the rates for the time being in force under the British Preferential Tariff be imposed on the goods specified in the Schedule hereto which—

(a) are the produce or manufacture of Newfoundland;

(b) comply with the laws and statutory regulations for the time being in force affecting the grant of British preference; and

(c) have been shipped in Newfoundland to Australia and

(i) have not been transhipped; or

(ii) have been transhipped and the intended destination of which, when originally shipped from Newfoundland, the Collector of Customs is satisfied was Australia.

(2.) That the duties of Customs imposed on any goods in accordance with this Resolution be in lieu of the duties (if any) imposed on those goods under the Customs Tariff.

(3.) That the duties of Customs imposed by this Resolution be charged, collected and paid to the use of the King for the purposes of the Commonwealth of Australia on all goods subject to those duties which are imported into Australia after the commencement of the Act passed to give effect to this Resolution, or are imported into Australia before, and are not entered for home consumption until after, the commencement of that Act.

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- (4.) That, in this Resolution, unless the contrary intention appears—
 “British Preferential Tariff” means the rates of duty set out in the column headed
 “British Preferential Tariff” in the Schedule to the Customs Tariff, in respect
 of any goods in relation to which the expression is used ;
 “Customs Tariff” means the *Customs Tariff* 1933–1939 and includes that Act as
 amended from time to time and any Act passed in substitution for that Act,
 or for that Act as so amended ;
 “Proclamation” means a Proclamation by the Governor-General, or by the person
 for the time being administering the government of the Commonwealth,
 acting with the advice of the Federal Executive Council, and published in the
Commonwealth of Australia Gazette.

THE SCHEDULE.

Item Number in Customs Tariff.	Item.
334 (c) (1) (a) .. 334 (c) (1) (b) ..	Paper, viz. :— News-printing, not glazed mill-glazed or coated— In rolls not less than 10 inches in width In sheets not less than 20 inches by 25 inches or its equivalent

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. John Lawson moved, pursuant to contingent notice, That so much of the Standing Orders be
 suspended as would prevent the remaining stages being passed without delay.

Question—put and passed.

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

Ordered—That Mr. John Lawson and Mr. Perkins do prepare and bring in a Bill to carry out the
 foregoing Resolution.

39. CUSTOMS TARIFF (NEWFOUNDLAND PREFERENCE) BILL 1939.—Mr. John Lawson (Minister for Trade
 and Customs) then brought up a Bill intituled “*A Bill for an Act relating to Duties of Customs*”,
 and moved, That it be now read a first time.

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

Mr. John Lawson 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.)

Clauses 1 to 6, agreed to.

Schedule agreed to.

Title agreed to.

Bill to be reported without amendment.

The House resumed ; Mr. Prowse reported accordingly.

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

40. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the intervening Orders of the Day be
 postponed until after Order of the Day No. 20, Government Business.

41. DISCHARGE OF ORDER OF THE DAY.—The following Order of the Day, Government Business, was read,
 and, on the motion of Mr. John Lawson (Minister for Trade and Customs), discharged :—
 Raw Cotton Bounty Bill 1939—Second reading—Resumption of debate.

42. MESSAGE FROM THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL.—RAW COTTON BOUNTY BILL 1939 [No. 2].—The following
 Message from His Excellency the Governor-General was presented, and was read by Mr. Speaker :—

GOWRIE,

Governor-General.

Message No. 106.

In accordance with the requirements of section fifty-six 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 amend the *Raw
 Cotton Bounty Act* 1934–1938.

Canberra, 15th November, 1939.

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. John Lawson (Minister for Trade and Customs) moved, That it is expedient that an appropriation
 of revenue be made for the purposes of a Bill for an Act to amend the *Raw Cotton Bounty Act* 1934–
 1938.

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Question—put and passed.
Resolution to be reported.

The House resumed ; Mr. Prowse reported accordingly.

Mr. John Lawson moved, pursuant to contingent notice, That so much of the Standing Orders be suspended as would prevent the remaining stages being passed without delay.

Question—put and passed.

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

Ordered—That Mr. John Lawson and Mr. Perkins do prepare and bring in a Bill to carry out the foregoing Resolution.

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

Mr. Forde moved, That the debate be now adjourned.

Question—That the debate be now adjourned—put and passed.

Ordered—That the resumption of the debate be made an Order of the Day for the next sitting.

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

[*Gold Tax Bill 1939* [No. 2]]—

MR. SPEAKER,

Message No. 133.

The Senate returns to the House of Representatives the Bill for “ *An Act to impose a Tax upon Gold* ”, and acquaints the House that the Senate has agreed to the Bill without requests.

J. B. HAYES,
President.

The Senate,
Canberra, 6th December, 1939.

[*Gold Tax Collection Bill 1939* [No. 2]]—

MR. SPEAKER,

Message No. 134.

The Senate returns to the House of Representatives the Bill for “ *An Act relating to the Imposition and Collection of a Tax upon Gold* ”, and acquaints the House that the Senate has agreed to the Bill without amendment.

J. B. HAYES,
President.

The Senate,
Canberra, 6th December, 1939.

[*Customs Tariff Bill (No. 3) 1939*]—

MR. SPEAKER,

Message No. 136.

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.

J. B. HAYES,
President.

The Senate,
Canberra, 6th December, 1939.

[*Excise Tariff Bill (No. 2) 1939*]—

MR. SPEAKER,

Message No. 137.

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

J. B. HAYES,
President.

The Senate,
Canberra, 6th December, 1939.

44. PAPERS.—The following Papers were presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor-General—
Tariff Board—Reports and Recommendations—

Barometers and barometer movements.

Bolts, nuts, rivets, and metal washers n.e.i. ; screws with nuts or for use with nuts ; engineers set screws ; fishbolts ; rail-dogs or brobs, spikes.

Cordage of the type used in the manufacture of pneumatic tyres. Cord fabric being piece goods of the type used in the manufacture of pneumatic tyres.

Cotton canvas and cotton duck, not waterproofed.

Canvas and duck other than cotton canvas and cotton duck—not waterproofed.

Canvas and duck, waterproofed.

Cotton piece goods for manufacture of men's or boys' outer clothing.

Curtains.

Dental instruments and appliances.

Glycerine.

Lifting jacks for motor vehicles.

Spring hinges.

Thermostatically-controlled cookers.

Tractor cylinder sleeve assemblies and pistons.

Tractor engine units. Road roller engine units.

Woodworking machinery.

Severally ordered to lie on the Table, and to be printed.

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45. ADJOURNMENT.—Mr. John Lawson (Minister for Trade and Customs) moved, That the House do now adjourn.

Question—put and passed.

And then the House, at twenty-six minutes past one o'clock in the morning, adjourned until this day at half-past ten o'clock a.m.

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

F. C. GREEN,
Clerk of the House of Representatives.