

1907-8.

THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH.

No. 135.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

WEDNESDAY, 27TH MAY, 1908.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair, and read Prayers.
2. EXPENDITURE BY THE COMMONWEALTH—PARTICULARS AS TO.—Mr. Crouch moved, pursuant to notice, That a Return be laid on the Table of the House showing—
 - (a) The expenditure by the Commonwealth on services and departments previously paid for by the States, showing the main details.
 - (b) The estimated expenditure on Federal Old-age Pensions.
 - (c) The estimated expenditure on services already approved by the Commonwealth Parliament or Government, including new Defence Scheme, payments under Bounties Bill, Immigration, and Northern Territory.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

3. CUSTOMS TARIFF BILL (1907).—The Order of the Day having been read for the further consideration in Committee of the whole House of the Senate's Message No. 28 in regard to this Bill, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole.

And the Committee continuing to sit till after midnight—

THURSDAY, 28TH MAY, 1908.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. McDonald reported that the Committee had agreed to certain resolutions.

Ordered—That the resolutions be considered at once.

Sir William Lyne moved, That the Committee's Report be adopted.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

SCHEDULES SHOWING HOW THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES HAS DEALT WITH THE AMENDMENTS REQUESTED BY THE SENATE IN ITS MESSAGE NO. 28 OF THE 21ST MAY, 1908.

- (A) The House of Representatives, again requested to do so, has now made the following original Requested Amendments of the Senate:—Nos. 49, 69, 96, 156, 159, 187, 223; and the portions not previously made of Nos. 72 and 81.
- (B) The House of Representatives, requested to do so, has made the following Requested Amendments as modified by the Senate:—Nos. 10, 22, 33, 61, 73, 160, 182, 204, 227.

NO. 1.—SCHEDULE SHOWING ORIGINAL REQUESTED AMENDMENTS OF THE SENATE WHICH THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, THOUGH AGAIN REQUESTED TO DO SO, HAS NOT MADE.

Tariff Items.	General Tariff.		Tariff on Goods the Produce or Manufacture of the United Kingdom.		Requested Amendment—how dealt with by House of Representatives.
	Duty passed by House of Representatives.	Duty requested by Senate.	Duty passed by House of Representatives.	Duty requested by Senate.	
No. 62, p. 18— Item 143. Sheet Lead and Lead Piping per ton	50s.; and on and after 15th November, 1907, free	20s.			<i>Not made.</i>
No. 86, p. 22— And on and after 29th November, 1907— Item 175— * (c) Screws n.e.i., including Sash Screws and attachments ad val.	5 per cent.	Free			<i>Not made.</i>
No. 94, p. 23— And on and after 29th November, 1907— Item 177. Electrical Machines, &c.:— * * * * * (e) Generators for direct couplings to steam Turbines ad val.	5 per cent.				<i>Not made.</i>
No. 141, p. 32— Item 268. Stone and Marble— (A) Marble Unwrought, including rough or scabbled from the pick ad val.	10 per cent.	Free			<i>Not made.</i>

NOTE.—Erased type denotes re-quested omissions, black type requested insertions.

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No. 2.—SCHEDULE SHOWING ORIGINAL REQUESTED AMENDMENTS OF THE SENATE WHICH THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES AT FIRST DID NOT MAKE, BUT HAS NOW MADE WITH MODIFICATIONS.

Tariff Items.	General Tariff.		Tariff on Goods the Produce or Manufacture of the United Kingdom.		Requested Amendment—how dealt with by House of Representatives.
	Duty assessed by House of Representatives.	Duty requested by Senate.	Duty passed by House of Representatives.	Duty requested by Senate.	
No. 37, p. 14— Item 118. Curtains and Blinds, n.e.i. (not including blinds attached to rollers); Curtain Clips, Bands, Loops, and Holders; and Blind Tassels and Acorns ... ad val.	25 per cent.	Free	20 per cent.	Free	Not made when first requested. The following modifications now made:— Duties made 20 per cent. General Tariff, and 15 per cent. United Kingdom Preference Tariff.
No. 91, page 22— And on and after 29th November, 1907— Item 177. Electrical Machines, &c.:— * * * (B) Dynamo Electric Machines over the capacity of 500 10 horse power ad val.	12½ per cent.	Free			Not made when first requested. Now made with modification as regards part, viz.:—“500” omitted; “10” not inserted, but “200” inserted in place thereof. Not made as regards alteration of duty.

No. 2 SCHEDULE—continued.

Tariff Items.	General Tariff.		Tariff on Goods the Produce or Manufacture of the United Kingdom.		Requested Amendment—how dealt with by House of Representatives.
	Duty passed by House of Representatives.	Duty requested by Senate.	Duty passed by House of Representatives.	Duty requested by Senate.	
<p>No. 93, p. 23— And on and after 29th November, 1907— Item 177. Electrical Machines, &c.:— * * * * * (D) Electric Apparatus and Fittings consisting wholly or partly of metal n.e.i., including Switches Fuses, and Lightning Arresters ad val.</p>	15 per cent.	Free	10 per cent.	Free	<p>Not made when first requested. The following modifications of wording now made:—"Apparatus and" omitted; "n.e.i., including" omitted, and "viz.:" inserted in place thereof; after "Switches" a comma inserted. Now made as regards alteration of duties.</p>

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No. 3.—SCHEDULE SHOWING HOW THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES HAS DEALT WITH CERTAIN OF THE SENATE'S ORIGINAL REQUESTS FOR AMENDMENTS (OR ITS MODIFICATIONS THEREOF), WHICH AMENDMENTS THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES AT FIRST EITHER DID NOT MAKE, OR MADE IN PART ONLY, OR WITH MODIFICATIONS.

Tariff Items.	General Tariff.		Tariff on Goods the Produce or Manufacture of the United Kingdom.		Requested Amendment—how dealt with by House of Representatives.
	Duty passed by House of Representatives.	Duty requested by Senate.	Duty passed by House of Representatives.	Duty requested by Senate.	
No. 34, p. 13— Item 115. Carpets, Carpeting, Floor Cloths, Floor and Carriage Mats of any material except Coir; Lap Dusters; and Floor Rugs and Coverings (including Felts and Pads) ad val.	20 per cent.	15 per cent.	15 per cent. on and after 8th November, 1907	10 per cent.	Not made.

HOW DEALT WITH BY SENATE—

Request that duty be made 15 per cent. in General Tariff and 10 per cent. in United Kingdom Preference Tariff, *not pressed*, but
 Make the item in General Tariff and in United Kingdom Preference-Tariff, **Free**.

26.5.08.—Duties made 15 per cent. General Tariff, and 10 per cent. United Kingdom Preference Tariff (as originally requested).

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No. 3 SCHEDULE—continued.

Tariff Items.	General Tariff.		Tariff on Goods the Produce or Manufacture of the United Kingdom.		Requested Amendment—how dealt with by House of Representatives.
	Duty passed by House of Representatives.	Duty requested by Senate.	Duty passed by House of Representatives.	Duty requested by Senate.	
<p>No. 40, p. 14— Item 120. Gloves— (B) Gloves n.e.i. of all kinds and materials including Mittens ad val.</p>	<p>30 per cent.; and on and after 14th October, 1907, 15 per cent.</p>	<p>Free</p>	<p>20 per cent.; and on and after 14th October, 1907, 10 per cent.</p>	<p>Free</p>	<p>Made as regards alteration of dates. Not made as regards alteration of duties.</p>
<p>HOW DEALT WITH BY SENATE— Request to make item free <i>not pressed</i>, but Make the duty in General Tariff 30 per cent., in United Kingdom Preference Tariff 20 per cent.</p>					<p>26.5.08.—Not made.</p>
<p>No. 46, p. 15— Item 123. Piece Goods,*† viz.:— * * * * * (B) Piece goods, woollen or containing wool, viz.:—women's and children's dress goods not weighing over 5 oz. per square yard * * * * * ad val.</p>	<p>35 per cent.; and on and after 13th November, 1907, 15 per cent.</p>		<p>30 per cent.; and on and after 13th November, 1907, 10 per cent.</p>		<p>Not made, but the words "including women's and children's dress flannels" inserted after the words "dress goods".</p>

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27.5.08. — Requested amendment of Senate not made. Modification already made by House not altered, but the following added in each of the duty columns:—
“ up to and including 27th May, 1908.”

Made as regards alteration of “ Pulley ” to “ Chain.”
Made with modifications as regards retaining alteration of wording, viz.:—Instead of the word “ High-pressure ” the word “ Rotary ” inserted; and before the words “ Portable Hoists ” the word “ Patent ” inserted.
Not made as regards alteration of duty.

27.5.08.—Not made.

HOW DEALT WITH BY SENATE—
Modification not agreed to
Request for amendment pressed

No. 74, p. 20—

And on and after 28th November, 1907—
Item 162. (A) **Pulley Chain Blocks** and Travelling Blocks; Pneumatic Elevators and Conveyors; **Steam High-pressure Blowers for Smelting**, and Turbo-Blowers; **Tel-ephers**; Apparatus for Liquefaction of Gases; **Patent Hoist used for underground mining** **Portable Hoists for underground use** ad val.

5 per cent.

Free

Free

HOW DEALT WITH BY SENATE—

Modifications of wording agreed to.
Request, that item under General Tariff be **Free**, pressed

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No. 3 SCHEDULE—continued.

Tariff Items.	General Tariff.		Tariff on Goods the Produce or Manufacture of the United Kingdom.		Requested Amendment—how dealt with by House of Representatives.
	Duty passed by House of Representatives.	Duty requested by Senate.	Duty passed by House of Representatives.	Duty requested by Senate.	
No. 75, p. 20— And on and after 28th November, 1907— Item 162. (A) Pulley Blocks, &c. * * * * * (AA) Log Band Saws with Band Wheels 5 feet and over in diameter		Free			Made with the following modification:—To take effect on and after 13th December, 1907.
HOW DEALT WITH BY SENATE—					
Modification agreed to, provided the following words are added to the sub-item, viz., "including accessories for same" 27.5.08.—Not made.					
No. 88, p. 22— And on and after 29th November, 1907— Item 176— * * * * * (E) Coal Cutting Machines;—Side Plates, and Balls for Ball Mills ad val.	5 per cent.	Free	Free		Made as regards omission of words. Not made as regards alteration of duty.
HOW DEALT WITH BY SENATE—					
Request, that item under General Tariff be Free, pressed 27.5.08.—Not made.					

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No. 90, p. 22—

And on and after 29th November, 1907—

Item 177. Electrical Machines, Appliances, and parts thereof :—
 (A) Dynamo Electric Machines up to the capacity of 500 10 horse power, including; Static Transformers and Induction Coils for all purposes; Electric Fans
 ad val.

20 per cent.

Not made as regards alteration of figures. Made as regards omission of word.

HOW DEALT WITH BY SENATE—

Request, for alteration of figures, pressed

26.5.08.—Now made with modification as regards part, viz.:—
 "500" omitted, "10" not inserted, but "200" inserted in place thereof.

No. 92, p. 23—

And on and after 29th November, 1907—

Item 177. Electrical Machines, &c. :—

* * * * *
 (c) Regulating, Starting, and Controlling Apparatus for all Electrical purposes, including Distributing Boards and Switch-Beards
 Switchboards, except Telephone Switchboards . . . ad val.

20 per cent.

Free

Made as regards alteration of wording. Not made as regards alteration of duty.

HOW DEALT WITH BY SENATE—

Request, that item under the General Tariff be Free, pressed

27.5.08.—Not made.

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No. 3 SCHEUDLE—continued.

Tariff Items.	General Tariff.		Tariff on Goods the Produce or Manufacture of the United Kingdom.		Requested Amendment—how dealt with by House of Representatives.
	Duty passed by House of Representatives.	Duty requested by Senate.	Duty passed by House of Representatives.	Duty requested by Senate.	
No. 95, p. 23— And on and after 29th November, 1907— Item 178. Electrical and Gas Appliances, viz.:— * * * * * (B) Gas meters ... ad val.	5 per cent.	25 per cent.	Free	20 per cent.	Not made.
HOW DEALT WITH BY SENATE— Request as to duties <i>not pressed</i> , provided the sub-item is amended to read as follows— (u) Gas meter parts not fitted together or joined in any way 27.5.08.—Not made.					
No. 111, p. 26— Item 217. Standards, steel fencing of all lengths and Pillars, and Pillars, steel fencing of all lengths; Wedgers, patent, for Droppers and Standards ... ad val.	5 per cent.	17½ per cent.	Free	12½ per cent.	Not made as regards wording, but wording modified to read as follows:—"Standards and Pillars of all lengths for fencing; Patent Wedgers for Droppers and Standards." Not made as regards alteration of duties.
HOW DEALT WITH BY SENATE— Modification <i>agreed to</i> . Request, that duty be made 17½ per cent. in General Tariff and 12½ per cent. in United Kingdom Preference Tariff, <i>pressed</i> 27.5.08.—Not made.					

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No. 118, p. 28—

Item 234. Oils—

In vessels exceeding one gallon,
viz. :—

* * * * *

(II) Linseed when denaturated as prescribed by Departmental By-law, provided that in the opinion of the Minister sufficient Linseed Oil for manufacturing purposes is not produced in Australia

Free

Not made.

HOW DEALT WITH BY SENATE—

Request pressed, except as to insertion of words "provided that in the opinion of the Minister sufficient Linseed Oil for manufacturing purposes is not produced in Australia"

27.5.08.—Not made.

No. 130, p. 30—

Item 248. Roasting Dishes, Assay Furnaces and ~~Crucibles, Scorifiers,~~ and Muffles

Free

Not made.

HOW DEALT WITH BY SENATE—

Request not pressed, provided the item is amended to read as follows :—

Roasting Dishes, Assay Furnaces, Plumbago Crucibles, Skittle Pots, Scorifiers, and Muffles

27.5.08.—Wording of item amended as requested except that the word "Plumbago" has not been inserted.

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No. 3 SCHEDULE—continued.

Tariff Items.	General Tariff.		Tariff on Goods the Produce or Manufacture of the United Kingdom.		Requested Amendment—how dealt with by House of Representatives.
	Duty passed by House of Representatives.	Duty requested by Senate.	Duty passed by House of Representatives.	Duty requested by Senate.	
No. 145, p. 33— Item 284. Insecticides, (A) Sheep Washes, and Cattle and Horse Washes and Disinfectants, n.e.i.	Free				
(B) Insecticides and Disinfectants, n.e.i. ... ad val.		25 per cent.		15 per cent.	Not made.

HOW DEALT WITH BY SENATE—

Request pressed, with the following modifications, viz.:—
From sub-item (A) leave out "n.e.i."

Add the following new sub-item:—

(C) Pyrethrum flowers, pure, in packages containing not less than 28 lbs. ...

27.5.08.—Not made, but the item amended to read:—

(A) Sheep Washes and Cattle and Horse Washes; Insecticides and Disinfectants in packages containing not less than 28 lbs. and drums containing not less than 5 gallons ... Free.

(B) Insecticides and Disinfectants, n.e.i. ad val. 15 per cent. General Tariff, 10 per cent. United Kingdom Preference Tariff.

Free

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No. 154, p. 35—

Item 303. Timber, viz.:—

* * *

(B) New Zealand Pine, and Red Beech, undressed, of all sizes per 100 super. feet

6d. on and after 6th December, 1907

Not made.

HOW DEALT WITH BY SENATE—

Request, as to duty, *not pressed*.

Request, as to wording, *pressed*, with the following modification, viz.:—

Before "Pine" insert "White".

28.5.08 — *Not made*.

No. 162, p. 36—

Item 303. Timber, viz.:—

After sub-item (DD) insert—

Note (to come into force on and after 1st September, 1908).— For the purposes of this Division a superficial foot shall mean an area of one square foot on one surface, and being one inch or less in thickness.

Note.—The term "super. face" means the superficial measurement of those surfaces (except edges) of the timber actually dressed or partly dressed.

*Not made as to the first Note.
Made as to the second Note.*

HOW DEALT WITH BY SENATE—

Request, for insertion of first Note, *pressed* with the following modification, viz.:—

Leave out "and being one inch or less in thickness" insert "and being not more than one inch nor less than half-an-inch in thickness".

28.5.08.—*Not made*.

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No. 3 SCHEDULE—continued.

Tariff Items.	General Tariff.		Tariff on Goods the Produce or Manufacture of the United Kingdom.		Requested Amendment—how dealt with by House of Representatives.
	Duty passed by House of Representatives.	Duty requested by Senate.	Duty passed by House of Representatives.	Duty requested by Senate.	
<p>No. 229, p. 52— Item 417. Works of Art, framed or unframed, imported for public institutions or purposes under Departmental By-laws; also Stained Glass Windows for churches or public institutions under Departmental By-laws</p>	Free				<p>Made with the following modifications:— After "417," insert letter "(A)" inserted; requested insertion of words not made, but the following inserted:— "(B) Stained Glass Windows for churches or public institutions under Departmental By-laws—On and after 19th May, 1908 ... ad val. 20 per cent."</p>
	28.5.08.—Not made.

HOW DEALT WITH BY SENATE—

Modification not agreed to. Original Request pressed

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

4. ADJOURNMENT.—Sir William Lyne moved, That the House do now adjourn.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

And then the House, at half-past one o'clock in the morning, adjourned until this day at half-past two o'clock p.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT.—All Members were present (at some time during the sitting) except—Mr. Bamford, Mr. Chanter, Mr. Edwards*, Mr. Fowler*, Mr. Hall, Mr. Mahon, and Mr. Spence.

* On leave.

C. GAVAN DUFFY,
Clerk of the House of Representatives.