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THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH.

HOUSE REPRESENTATIVES. \mathbf{OF}

No. 10.

WEEKLY REPORT OF DIVISIONS IN COMMITTEE.

WEEK ENDED 12TH NOVEMBER, 1909.

THURSDAY (MORNING), 11TH NOVEMBER, 1909.

No. 32.—Constitution Alteration (Finance) Bill (continued)—Clause 3 (continued)—(as amended)—

3. The Constitution is altered by inserting, after section ninety-four thereof, the following sections :-

"94A. From and after the thirtieth day of June, One thousand nine hundred and ten,

sections ninety-three and ninety-four of this Constitution shall cease to have effect."

"94B. From and after the first day of July, One thousand nine hundred and ten, the Commonwealth shall pay to each State, by monthly instalments, or apply to the payment of interest on debts of the State taken over by the Commonwealth, an annual sum amounting to Twenty-five shillings per head of the number of the people of the State as ascertained according to the laws of the Commonwealth ."

 $\hat{-}$ (The Prime Minister.)

Further amendment proposed—That the following words be inserted in the clause at the end of 94n:-"until such time as such payments amount to the annual sum of Seven million five hundred thousand pounds and thereafter until the Parliament otherwise provides".

-(Mr. Harper.)

Question—That the words proposed to be inserted be so inserted—put. The Committee divided—

Ayes	, 32.	
Mr. Bamford	Mr. Page	Mr. Atkinson
Mr. Batchelor	Mr. Poynton	Mr. Bowden
Mr. Thomas Brown	Mr. Roberts	Mr. Tilley Br
Mr. Carr	Mr. Bruce Smith	Mr. Joseph Co
Mr. Catts	Mr. Spence	Mr. Deakin
Mr. Chanter	Mr. Thomas	Sir Thomas E
Mr. Coon	Mr. Tudor	Sir John Form
Mr. Crouch	Mr. Watkins	Mr. R. W. F
Mr. Fisher	Mr. Webster	Mr. Fowler
Mr. Frank J. Foster	· Mr. Wilks	Colonel Foxtor
Mr. Frazer	Mr. Willis	Mr. Fuller
Mr. Harper	Mr. Wise	Sir Philip Fys
Mr. Hughes		Mr. Glynn
Mr. Hutchison		Mr. Groom
Mr. W. H. Irvine		Mr. Hedges
Mr. Maloney	Tellers.	Mr. Hans Irvi
Mr. McDougall	M1. Hall	Mr. Johnson
Mr. O'Malley	Mr. Mathews	Mr. Kelly

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And so it passed in the negative.