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THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH.

No. 10.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

WEDNESDAY, 20TH JULY, 1910.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair, and read Prayers.
2. PAPERS.—Mr. Tudor presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor-General—
 - Commerce Act—
 - Butter Export Trade of Australia—Report by N. Lockyer, Assistant Comptroller-General of Customs.
 - Meat Export Trade of Australia—Report by N. Lockyer, Assistant Comptroller-General of Customs.
 Severally ordered to lie on the Table and to be printed.
3. SURPLUS REVENUE BILL (1910).—The Order of the Day having been read for the further consideration of this Bill in Committee of the whole House—Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole.

(*In the Committee.*)

Clause 3 agreed to.

Clause 4 read.

Amendment proposed, That the words "July One thousand nine hundred and ten", in lines 19 and 20 be omitted, and that the words "January One thousand nine hundred and eleven" be inserted in place thereof (*Sir John Forrest*).

Point of Order.—A Point of Order having been raised that the amendment was out of order, under section 56 of the Constitution, the Chairman upheld the objection and ruled the amendment out of order.

Mr. Groom moved, as an amendment, That the word "first" in line 19 be omitted.

Debate ensued.

Question—That the word proposed to be omitted stand part of the clause—put.

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Committee divided--

Ayes, 30.		Noes, 20.	
Mr. Anstey	Mr. O'Malley	Mr. Atkinson	Mr. Groom
Mr. Archibald	Mr. Ozanne	Mr. Cook	Mr. McWilliams
Mr. Bamford	Mr. Page	Mr. Deakin	Mr. Palmer
Mr. Batchelor	Mr. Riley	Mr. G. B. Edwards	Sir John Quick
Mr. Beard	Mr. Roberts	Mr. R. Edwards	Mr. Sampson
Mr. Cann	Mr. Scullin	Mr. Fairbairn	Mr. Sinclair
Mr. Chanter	Mr. Laird Smith	Sir John Forrest	Mr. Thomson
Mr. Charlton	Mr. Tudor	Mr. Fowler	
Mr. Finlayson	Mr. Watkins	Mr. Fuller	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Fisher	Mr. Webster	Mr. Glynn	Mr. W. Elliot Johnson
Mr. Howe	Mr. West	Mr. Greene	Mr. Kelly
Mr. Hughes	Mr. Wise		
Mr. Jensen			
Sir William Lyne	<i>Tellers.</i>		
Mr. W. Maloney	Mr. Fenton		
Mr. Parker Moloney	Mr. Mathews		

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

On the motion of Mr. Hughes the following amendments were made in clause 4—

Line 4, page 2, omit "year", and insert "six months".

At the end of clause add new sub-clause—

(2) If, in order to comply with section eighty-seven of the Constitution, the sums paid and applied under this section during the six months ending on the thirty-first day of December, One thousand nine hundred and ten, amount to more than Twelve shillings and sixpence per head of the number of the people of the several States, the amounts paid and applied under this section during the next six months shall be correspondingly reduced, so that the amounts so paid and applied during the whole of the financial year ending on the thirtieth day of June, One thousand nine hundred and eleven, shall not amount to more than Twenty-five shillings per head of the number of the people of the several States, less the deductions provided for in the proviso to the last sub-section.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

Clause 5 read.

Amendment proposed, That the word "first" in line 7 be omitted (*Mr. Atkinson*).

Debate ensued.

Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Clause agreed to.

Clause 6 agreed to.

Clause 7 read.

On the motion of Mr. Fisher the following amendment was made in the clause:—Line 27—omit "estimated", and insert "ascertained according to the laws of the Commonwealth".

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

Schedule agreed to.

Title agreed to.

Bill to be reported with amendments.

The House resumed; Mr. Poynton reported accordingly.

Ordered—That the consideration of the Report be made an Order of the Day for to-morrow.

4. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That Orders of the Day, Nos. 2 to 4 inclusive be postponed until after Order of the Day No. 5.
5. TRUST FUND ADVANCES BILL.—The Order of the Day having been read for the consideration in Committee of the whole House of His Excellency the Governor-General's Message No. 5—Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole.

(In the Committee.)

Resolved—That it is expedient that an appropriation of revenue and moneys be made for the purposes of a Bill for an Act to authorize a temporary advance from the Trust Fund to the Consolidated Revenue Fund.

Resolution to be reported.

The House resumed; Mr. Poynton reported accordingly.

Ordered—That the Report be considered at once.

And the said Resolution was adopted by the House.

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

Mr. Fisher 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.
Ordered—That the second reading be made an Order of the Day for to-morrow.

6. ADJOURNMENT.—Mr. Fisher moved, That the House do now adjourn.
Question—put and passed.

And then the House, at a quarter past ten o'clock p.m., adjourned until to-morrow at half-past two o'clock p.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT.—All Members were present (at some time during the sitting) except—Mr. Brown, Mr. Carr, Mr. Catts, Mr. Frank J. Foster, Mr. Frazer, Mr. Harper, Mr. Hedges, Mr. Knox, Mr. McDougall, and Mr. Salmon.

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