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THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH.

No. 65.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

FRIDAY, 11TH OCTOBER, 1912.

1. The House met, at half-past ten o'clock a.m., pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair, and read Prayers.
2. MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.—SUPPLY BILL (No. 3) 1912-13.—Mr. Speaker announced the receipt of the following Message from the Senate:—

MR. SPEAKER,

Message No. 22.

The Senate returns to the House of Representatives the Bill for "*An Act to grant and apply a sum out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund for the service of the year ending the thirtieth day of June One thousand nine hundred and thirteen,*" to which it has agreed without requests.

The Senate,
Melbourne, 10th October, 1912.

H. TURLEY,
President.

3. NAVIGATION BILL.—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 286—

Amendment moved by Sir John Forrest (p. 167 *ante*), viz. :—That the following proviso be added to the clause (as amended) :—

"Provided that the carrying by any ship, ordinarily carrying mails to or from the Commonwealth, of passengers to or from ports in a State the capital city of which is not connected by railway with the capital city of another State shall not be deemed engaging in the coasting trade."—

Debate continued.

Question—That the proviso proposed to be added to the clause (as amended) be so added—put.

The Committee divided—

Ayes, 17.		Noes, 29.	
Sir Robert Best	Sir John Quick	Mr. Archibald	Mr. Ozanne
Mr. Carr	Mr. Salmon	Mr. Bamford	Mr. Page
Mr. Cook	Mr. Sampson	Mr. Bennett	Mr. Riley
Sir John Forrest	Mr. Sinclair	Mr. Brennan	Mr. Roberts
Mr. Fowler	Mr. Thomson	Mr. Cann	Mr. Scullin
Mr. Glynn		Mr. Chanter	Mr. Laird Smith
Mr. Harper		Mr. Charlton	Mr. Spence
Mr. Hedges	<i>Tellers.</i>	Mr. Fenton	Mr. Thomas
Mr. Mahon	Mr. Greene	Mr. Fisher	Mr. Tudor
Mr. McWilliams	Mr. W. Elliot Johnson	Mr. Frank J. Foster	Mr. Webster
		Mr. Frazer	Mr. West
		Mr. Howe	
		Mr. Hughes	
		Mr. Jensen	<i>Tellers.</i>
		Mr. W. J. Johnson	Mr. Finlayson
		Mr. McDougall	Mr. Watkins

And so it was negatived.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

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

The House resumed ; Mr. Poynton reported accordingly.

Resolved—That the House will, on Tuesday next, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

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4. MESSAGES FROM THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL.—ASSENT TO BILLS.—The following Messages from His Excellency the Governor-General were presented, and the same were read by Mr. Speaker :—

[*Naval Agreement Bill (1912)*]—

DENMAN,
Governor-General.

Message No. 16.

A Bill intituled "*An Act to amend the 'Naval Agreement Act 1903,'*" 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 Act.

Melbourne, 10th October, 1912.

[*Pine Creek to Katherine River Railway Survey Bill*]—

DENMAN,
Governor-General.

Message No. 17.

A Bill intituled "*An Act to authorize the Survey of a Route for a Line of Railway in the Northern Territory from Pine Creek to the Katherine River,*" 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 Act.

Melbourne, 10th October, 1912.

[*Maternity Allowance Bill*]—

DENMAN,
Governor-General.

Message No. 18.

A Bill intituled "*An Act to provide for payment of Maternity Allowances,*" 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 Act.

Melbourne, 10th October, 1912.

5. ADJOURNMENT.—Mr. Fisher moved, That the House do now adjourn.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and passed.

And then the House, at thirteen minutes past four o'clock p.m., adjourned until Tuesday next at three o'clock p.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT.—All Members were present (at some time during the sitting) except—Mr. Atkinson, Mr. Brown, Mr. Catts, Mr. Deakin, Mr. R. Edwards, Mr. R. W. Foster, Mr. Fuller, Mr. Gordon, Mr. Hans Irvine, Mr. W. H. Irvine, Mr. Livingston, Sir William Lyne, Mr. W. Maloney, and Mr. Ryrie.

WALTER A. GALE,
Clerk Assistant,
for Clerk of the House of Representatives.