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THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH.

No. 31.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

WEDNESDAY, 1ST OCTOBER, 1913.

1. The House met, at half-past two o'clock p.m., pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair, and read Prayers.
2. PAPERS.—Mr. Joseph Cook presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor-General—
Small-pox Epidemic in Sydney—Letter, dated 15th September, 1913, from the Premier of New South Wales to the Prime Minister *re* Board of Health Resolutions and proposed withdrawal of the Quarantine Proclamation, and Reply thereto.
Ordered to lie on the Table, and to be printed.
- Mr. Groom presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor-General—
Foods and Drugs—Uniform Standards—Report of the Commonwealth and States of Australia Second Conference (June, 1913).
- Mr. Kelly presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor-General—
Electoral Rolls—Memorandum by the Chief Electoral Officer to the Commonwealth Electoral Officers of the various States *re* objections by political organizations, &c.
Elections and Referendums, 1913—Memorandum by the Chief Electoral Officer *re* Enrolment, Absent Voting, Inspectors, Officials, &c.
Severally ordered to lie on the Table.
3. PRINTING COMMITTEE—FIRST REPORT FROM.—Mr. Bamford, for the Chairman, brought up the First Report from the Printing Committee (sitting in conference with the Printing Committee of the Senate).
The Report was read by the Clerk, and is as follows:—

REPORT.

The Printing Committee have the honour to report that they have met in conference with the Printing Committee of the Senate.

The Joint Committee, having considered the undermentioned Papers presented to Parliament, make the following recommendations:—

Subject of Paper.	Recommendation of Committee.	Remarks.
Papers— Audit Act—Transfers—Financial Year 1912-13— Dated 11th and 20th January, 5th and 21st February, 19th and 28th March, 11th and 23rd April, 15th and 30th May, 23rd July	No recommenda- tion	
Statutory Rules 1913, Nos. 59, 119, 139, 154, 174 ..	„ „	Already in print and cir- culated to Members
Auditor-General—Special Report by—Postmaster-Gen- eral's Department—Recovery of £5,983 12s. 6d. under the provisions of Section 152 of <i>Customs Act</i> 1901 ..	To be printed	
Bounties Act—Return of Particulars for 1912-13 of Per- sons to whom Bounty Paid, Amount Paid, Goods, &c.	„ „	

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<i>Papers—continued.</i>		
Census and Statistics Act—		
Bulletins—		
Australian Statistics—Monthly Summaries, 1912–13— Nos. 6 to 19	No recommenda- tion	Already in print and cir- culated to Members
Census—Nos. 13 to 17	" "	" "
Finance—No. 6	" "	" "
Population and Vital Statistics—No. 30	" "	" "
Production—No. 6	" "	" "
Social Statistics—No. 5	" "	" "
Transport and Communication—No. 6	" "	" "
Labour—Nos. 1 and 2	" "	" "
Labour and Industrial Branch Reports, Nos. 1 and 2..	" "	" "
Official Year-Book of the Commonwealth, No. 6, 1901 to 1912	" "	" "
Shipping and Oversea Migration, 1911	" "	" "
Trade and Customs and Excise Revenue 1911	" "	" "
Commerce (Trade Descriptions) Act—		
Statutory Rules, No. 233 of 1912, and Nos. 15 and 145 of 1913	" "	" "
Commonwealth Bank Act—		
Balance-sheets of the Commonwealth Bank of Aus- tralia up to 31st December, 1912, and up to 30th June, 1913, together with Auditor-General's Report thereon	To be printed	
Statutory Rules 1913, No. 13	No recommenda- tion	Already in print and cir- culated to Members
Contract Immigrants Act—Return for 1912	To be printed	
Copyright Act—Statutory Rules 1913, Nos. 96 and 172..	No recommenda- tion	Already in print and cir- culated to Members
Customs Act—		
Export of goods in sacks—Proclamation limiting weight	" "	Published in <i>Gazette</i>
Proclamations <i>re</i> exportation of certain goods—		
Butter, with certain additional matter	" "	" "
Fruit, with San Jose scale	" "	" "
Leather with certain excess of glucose, &c.	" "	" "
Statutory Rules 1913, Nos. 14, 16, 55, 102	" "	Already in print and cir- culated to Members
Defence—		
† Canteens at Military Training Camps—Reports of State Commandants	To be printed	
Military College—		
Report on Third Entrance Examination, held No- vember, 1912	No recommenda- tion	
Report 1911–12	" "	
Defence Act—		
Factories (Government)—Conduct and Management of, and Employment of Persons—Statutory Rules 1913, No. 50	" "	Already in print and cir- culated to Members
Military College—Statutory Rules 1913, Nos. 106, 146 147, 236, 241.. .. .	" "	" "
Military Forces—		
Statutory Rules 1912, Nos. 234, 235	" "	" "
Statutory Rules 1913, Nos. 1, 2, 3, 5, 9, 20, 25, 29, 48, 49, 52, 54, 66, 74, 81, 83, 85, 98, 105, 107, 132, 138, 159, 160, 166, 168, 180, 187, 196, 203, 215, 227, 228, 233, 237, 238, 239	" "	" "
(Financial and Allowance Regulations)—		
Statutory Rules 1912, Nos. 236, 250, 251	" "	" "
Statutory Rules 1913, Nos. 4, 21, 24, 26, 27, 28, 30, 40, 41, 42, 46, 47, 51, 53, 67, 82, 84, 87, 88, 110, 111, 133, 142, 144, 158, 165, 167, 181, 182, 188, 190, 198, 204 to 206, 213, 214, 231, 232, 234, 240	" "	" "

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<i>Papers—continued.</i>		
<i>Defence Act—continued.</i>		
<i>Universal Training—</i>		
Statutory Rules 1912, Nos. 244, 246, 252, 253, 254 ..	No recommenda- tion	Already in print and cir- culated to Members
Statutory Rules 1913, Nos. 6, 10, 19, 22, 23, 64, 65, 71, 75, 76, 77, 86, 99, 101, 104, 112, 113, 114, 115, 129, 130, 131, 134, 161, 162, 163, 164, 183 to 186, 189, 191, 192, 197, 210 to 212, 235 ..	" "	" "
Designs Act—Statutory Rules 1913, Nos. 43 and 173 ..	" "	" "
<i>Electoral—</i>		
†Divisional Returning Officers and Electoral Registrars— Rates of payment by late Government and rates previously paid ..	" "	
†Darwin Division—Copies of correspondence <i>re</i> certain officers employed in connexion with the General Election ..	" "	
*Rolls—Memorandum by the Chief Electoral Officer <i>re</i> Overloading of ..	" "	
†Rolls—Memorandum by the Chief Electoral Officer as to excess of names on ..	" "	
*Rolls—Statement by Commonwealth Statistician <i>re</i> Inflation ..	To be printed	
Electoral Act—Statutory Rules 1913, No. 45 ..	No recommenda- tion	Already in print and cir- culated to Members
Electoral Act and Referendum (Constitution Alteration) Act—Statutory Rules 1913, Nos. 199, 200 ..	" "	" "
Excise Act—Statutory Rules 1913, No. 89 ..	" "	" "
High Commissioner—Third Annual Report—Year 1912 ..	To be printed	
Immigration Restriction Act—Return for 1912 ..	" "	
Invalid and Old-Age Pensions Act—Statement <i>re</i> Pensions for twelve months ended 30th June, 1913 ..	" "	
<i>Land Tax Assessment Act—</i>		
Second Annual Report of the Commissioner, 1911–12 ..	" "	
Remissions of Penalty granted during Year 1912–13 ..	No recommenda- tion	
Statutory Rules 1913, Nos. 69, 120 ..	" "	Already in print and cir- culated to Members
<i>Lands Acquisition Act—</i>		
Land acquired under, at—Abbotsford (2), Adamstown (2), Albany, Albion, Amungula, Arialh Park, Ashfield, Ayr, Balmain, Ballata, Bherwerre and Currambene, Blackstone, Bombala, Boulder, Brisbane (2), Broome, Burwood, Camperdown, Campsie, Canberra, Chats- wood, Chiltern, Colac, Congwarra, Drummoyne, Dumblenyung, Dwellingupp, East Melbourne, East Perth, Echuca, Elsternwick, Flinders Island, Forbes, Gawler, Geeveston, Geraldton, Ginninderra, Gordon, Guyra, Hamilton, Hobart (2), Jeparit, Jervis Bay, Junction Park, Kadina, Kalgoorlie, Kilcoy, Kogarah, Kurri Kurri, Launceston, Leederville, Liverpool, Malvern, Manly, Many Peaks, Marrickville (2), Maryborough, Mathoura, Melbourne, Mirboo North, Mount Gambier, Noarlunga, Northcote, North Ken- sington, Perth, Pomona, Port Adelaide (2), Port Augusta (6), Port Lincoln, Port Melbourne, Port Stephens, Queanbeyan (3), Rockhampton, Roe- bourne (2), Rookwood, Ryde, Smithton, Southwark, Tidbinilla, Urayarra and Congwarra, Toowoomba, Tweed Heads, Ultima, Victoria Park, Waratah, Waver- ley, Winchelsea, Woomelang, Yerong Creek, Young ..	" "	Published in <i>Gazette</i>
Land acquired under, in the Federal Territory, and leased to—J. R. E. Hyles, J. S. Robertson, F. W. Hyles, A. McDonald ..	" "	
<i>Leases of Lands in the Federal Territory—Approval granted—</i>		
A. J. and M. N. McDonald, R. Moore, G. H. Rottenberry ..	" "	
R. Corkill ..	" "	

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<i>Papers—continued.</i>		
<i>Lands Acquisition Act—continued.</i>		
<i>Leases of Land, &c.—Approval granted—continued.</i>		
G. A. Boreham, Ginninderra	No recommenda- tion	
J. S. Robertson, Weetangera	" "	
C. H. McKeahnie	" "	
F. A. Campbell, Queanbeyan, Woden Station ..	" "	
Leasing of certain Land acquired in the Federal Terri- tory—Approval of Authority for (dated 12th August, 1913)	" "	
Return of Land acquired and disposed of, Federal Territory, leased to—		
G. A. Boreham, Canberra	" "	
I. Cameron and W. P. Bluett	" "	
Manufactures Encouragement Act—Return of Bounty paid during Financial Year ended 30th June, 1913 ..	To be printed	
Maternity Allowance Act—Statutory Rules 1913, No. 58	No recommenda- tion	Already in print and cir- culated to Members
Meteorology Act—Statutory Rules 1912, No. 245 ..	" "	" "
Naturalization Act—Return for 1912	" "	" "
Naval Defence Act—		
Naval Forces—Statutory Rules 1912, No. 241, and 1913, Nos. 72, 73, 97, 143, 201, 202, 207	" "	" "
(Financial and Allowance Regulations)— Statutory Rules 1913, Nos. 44, 169	" "	" "
Northern Territory—		
Crown Lands Ordinance—Regulations dated 15th May, and 11th July, 1913	" "	
Northern Territory Acceptance Act and Stock Diseases Act (of South Australia)—Regulation <i>re</i> Dogs ..	" "	
Northern Territory Crown Lands Act (South Australia)— Berinka, plan showing proposed Hundred of ..	" "	
Patents Act—Statutory Rules 1913, No. 171	" "	Already in print and cir- culated to Members
*Pearling Industry, Broome, Western Australia—Return showing number of indentured seamen engaged, &c. ..	To be printed	
Post and Telegraph Act—		
Statutory Rules 1912, Nos. 242, 243, 247	No recommenda- tion	Already in print and cir- culated to Members
Statutory Rules 1913, Nos. 17, 56, 57, 68, 90, 91–94, 103, 117, 118, 127, 128, 135, 136, 155, 156, 176–9, 193, 195, 208	" "	" "
Public Service Act—		
Commissioner's Eighth Report	To be printed	
Temporary Employés—Return for year 1912–13 ..	No recommenda- tion	
Statutory Rules 1913, Nos. 7, 11, 12, 34 to 38, 60 to 63, 70, 78 to 80, 95, 108, 109, 121 to 123, 124, 125, 126, 137, 148, 149, 150 to 153, 170, 209, 216, 217	" "	Already in print and cir- culated to Members
Recommendations, &c., in cases of Appointment, Pro- motions, &c., of D. E. Aikins, F. V. Becke, P. M. Bonnerup, A. B. D. Brown, H. C. Brown, J. G. Brown, R. A. Burgoyne, F. Ciaremont, P. R. Cleland, J. F. Collopy, A. Craig, C. M. Crooks, A. G. Curthoys, F. S. Dooner, L. F. East, J. S. C. Elkington, A. L. Evans, J. Fennessy, E. T. C. Fitzgerald, G. M. Garcia, F. K. Gell, G. A. Goodier, M. B. Harry, W. Henderson, A. Horner, T. C. Ick, A. S. Innes, S. Irwin, D. P. Israel, A. P. Jeffery, W. Jeffrey, F. M. Johnston, W. H. P. Jude, W. Kelly, C. H. Kennedy, J. W. Kitto, W. V. Lancaster, L. H. Le Rossignol, P. V. Leonard, T. G. Marshall, R. A. Marx, H. McConaghy, J. W. McCutcheon, J. A. Mitchell, H. Mouat, J. Murray, J. G. Newman, J. R. D. O'Loughlin, W. H. Osborne, G. F. Parkes, A. T. Pearson, C. R. Peck, A. Percival, F. J. Quinlan, R. J. Rain, R. G. Ramsay, S. Rankin, J. D. Reid, A. H. Richards, G. A. Scott, S. H. Slatte, J. A. M. Smail, A. T. B. Smith, H. W. Smith, H. Thomson, H. A. Waters, C. W. Wade, H. R. Whitelaw, R. H. Wilmot, A. H. H. Wilson, W. H. L. Wolter	" "	

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<i>Papers—continued.</i>		
Railways—		
Kalgoorlie to Port Augusta— †Chinn, Mr. H., late Supervising Engineer—Papers connected with case of	No recommenda- tion	
Referendum (Constitution Alteration) Act—Statutory Rules 1913, No. 31	" "	Already in print and circulated to Members
Shale Oils Bounties Act—Return of particulars of Bounty paid during financial year ended 30th June, 1913 ..	To be printed	
†Sugar Refining Company (Colonial)—Judgment of the Supreme Court of New Zealand in the appeal case of the Merchants' Association of New Zealand and others, appellants, v. His Majesty the King, respondent—being an appeal against a judgment given under the <i>Commercial Trusts Act 1910</i>	" "	
Surveys, &c.—Report of Conference (May, 1912) of the Director of Commonwealth Lands and Surveys, the Surveyor-General and the Government Astronomer of New Zealand, and the Surveyors-General of the States	To be printed (without accom- panying maps)	
†Tariff.—Letter from Minister for Trade and Customs to Inter-State Commission in regard to Investigation <i>re</i> ..	To be printed	
Wireless Telegraphy Act—Statutory Rules 1912, No. 211, 1913, Nos. 18, 116	No recommenda- tion	Already in print and circulated to Members
Wood Pulp and Rock Phosphate Bounties Act—Statutory Rules 1913, No. 100	" "	
Workmen's Compensation Act—Statutory Rules 1913, No. 39	" "	

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Committee Room,
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F. W. BAMFORD,
for Chairman.

Mr. Bamford moved, by leave, That the Report be adopted.
Question—put and passed.

4. EXCISE TARIFF [SUGAR] BILL (1913).—The Order of the Day having been read for the second reading—Mr. Groom 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.)

Clause 1—

Mr. Conroy addressing the Committee, and the Chairman ruling that his remarks were outside the scope of the clause—

Mr. Conroy handed in an objection in the following terms—That the Committee dissent from the Chairman's ruling that he cannot discuss the effect of the Bill under Clause 1.

Motion of dissent not proceeded with.

Mr. Conroy moved the following amendment:—

Line 5, after "day" insert "not later than 15th December."

Amendment negatived.

Clause agreed to.

Clause 2—

Mr. Conroy moved the following amendment:—

Lines 11 and 12, omit "and before the twenty-sixth day of July".

Debate ensued.

Amendment negatived.

Clause agreed to.

Clause 3 debated and agreed to.

Clause 4 agreed to.

Clause 5—

Mr. Conroy moved the following amendment:—

Lines 9–12, omit "until cane sugar to the amount mentioned in the certificate of the Comptroller-General under section 4 of this Act has been so entered".

Amendment negatived.

Clause debated and agreed to.

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Clause 6—

Mr. Conroy moved the following amendment:—

Line 22, omit "not".

Amendment negatived.

Clause agreed to.

Clause 7 agreed to.

Title agreed to.

Bill to be reported without amendment.

The House resumed; Mr. Fowler reported accordingly.

On the motion of Mr. Groom, the House adopted the Report, and the third reading was made an Order of the Day for to-morrow.

5. SUGAR BOUNTY BILL (1913).—The Order of the Day having been read for the second reading—

Mr. Groom 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.)

Clause 1 debated and agreed to.

Clause 2 debated and agreed to.

Clause 3 agreed to.

Clause 4 debated and agreed to.

Preamble agreed to.

Title agreed to.

Bill to be reported without amendment.

The House resumed; Mr. Fowler reported accordingly.

On the motion of Mr. Groom, the House adopted the Report, and the third reading was made an Order of the Day for to-morrow.

6. PAPER.—Mr. Kelly presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor-General—

Meteorological Bureau at Cairns—Memorandum *re* proposed establishment.

Ordered to lie on the Table.

7. ADJOURNMENT.—Mr. Joseph Cook moved, That the House do now adjourn.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and passed.

And then the House, at twenty-nine minutes past eleven o'clock p.m. adjourned until to-morrow at half-past ten o'clock a.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT.—All Members were present (at some time during the sitting).

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