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THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH.

No. 41.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

TUESDAY, 21st OCTOBER, 1913.

1. The House met, at three o'clock p.m., pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair and read Prayers.
2. DISTINGUISHED VISITOR.—On the motion of Mr. Joseph Cook, seconded by Mr. Fisher, the Honorable W. H. M. Pearson, a Member of the House of Commons, was provided with a seat on the floor of the House.
3. ALTERATION OF HOUR OF NEXT MEETING.—Mr. Joseph Cook moved, That the House, at its rising, adjourn until three o'clock p.m. to-morrow.
Question—put and passed.
4. ADJOURNMENT—MOTION FOR PURPOSE OF DISCUSSION.—Mr. West rose in his place, and said that he proposed to move the adjournment of the House for the purpose of discussing a definite matter of urgent public importance, namely, "The continued quarantine embargo on Sydney".
Mr. Speaker thereupon called upon those Members who approved of the proposed discussion to rise in their places, and more than the necessary number of Members having risen accordingly—
Mr. West moved, That the House do now adjourn.
Debate ensued.
It being two hours after the time fixed for the meeting of the House, the debate was interrupted in accordance with Standing Order No. 119, and the Orders of the Day were called on.
5. SUPPLY [ESTIMATES—ADDITIONS, NEW WORKS, BUILDINGS, ETC., 1913-14].—The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.

(In the Committee.)

ADDITIONS, NEW WORKS, BUILDINGS, ETC., 1913-14.

Division No. 1—

Subdivision No. 4—

Consideration resumed of the amendment moved by Mr. Poynton (*page 97 ante*), viz.:—That the amount be reduced by the sum of £147,000.

Debate continued.

Question—That the amount proposed to be reduced be so reduced—put.

The Committee divided—

Ayes, 10.

Mr. Ahern	Mr. Rodgers
Mr. Boyd	Mr. Sampson
Mr. Brennan	
Mr. Hans Irvine	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. Kendell	Mr. Fenton
Mr. Poynton	Mr. W. Maloney

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Mr. Abbott	Mr. Mathews
Mr. Arthur	Mr. McDonald
Mr. Atkinson	Mr. O'Malley
Mr. James Bennett	Mr. Orchard
Mr. Burns	Mr. Palmer
Mr. Chapman	Mr. Patten
Mr. Charlton	Mr. Pigott
Mr. Joseph Cook	Mr. Riley
Mr. Dankel	Mr. Roberts
Mr. Finlayson	Colonel Ryrie
Mr. Fisher	Mr. Sharpe
Mr. Fleming	Mr. Sinclair
Sir John Forrest	Mr. Bruce Smith
Mr. R. W. Foster	Mr. Laird Smith
Mr. Frazer	Mr. Stumm
Mr. Glynn	Mr. Thomas
Mr. Greene	Mr. John Thomson
Mr. Gregory	Mr. Watkins
Mr. Groom	Mr. West
Mr. Hannan	Mr. Wynne
Mr. Howe	
Mr. W. H. Irvine	
Mr. W. Elliot Johnson	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. Kelly	Mr. Higgs
Mr. Manifold	Mr. Webster

And so it was negatived.

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Debate on subdivision continued.

Subdivision agreed to.

Divisions Nos. 2, 3, and 4 agreed to.

Division No. 5—

Subdivision No. 1 debated.

Mr. Roberts moved, That item No. 1 be reduced by the sum of £3,000.

Debate ensued.

Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

On the motion of Mr. McDonald the item was reduced by the sum of £2,000.

Item, as so reduced, agreed to.

Debate on subdivision continued.

Remaining items (Nos. 2 to 7) of subdivision agreed to.

Subdivisions Nos. 2 to 6 agreed to.

Subdivision No. 7 debated and agreed to.

Subdivision No. 8 debated and agreed to.

Subdivisions Nos. 9 to 13 agreed to.

Subdivision No. 14 debated and agreed to.

Division No. 6—

Subdivisions Nos. 1 and 2 agreed to.

Subdivision No. 3 debated and agreed to.

Subdivision No. 4 agreed to.

Subdivision No. 5 debated and agreed to.

Subdivisions Nos. 6 and 7 agreed to.

Subdivision No. 8 debated and agreed to.

Division No. 7—

Subdivision No. 1 debated.

And the Committee continuing to sit till after midnight—

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Debate continued.

Subdivision No. 1 agreed to.

Subdivision No. 2 agreed to.

Divisions Nos. 8 to 11 agreed to.

Division No. 12 debated and agreed to.

Division No. 13 debated and agreed to.

Division No. 14 debated and agreed to.

Division No. 15 debated and agreed to.

Division No. 16 agreed to.

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

The House resumed ; Mr. Fowler reported accordingly.

Resolved—That the House will, at its next sitting, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

6. SUSPENSION OF STANDING ORDERS.—Sir John Forrest moved, by leave, That the Standing Orders be suspended to enable all steps to be taken to read the Appropriation (Works and Buildings) Bill 1913–14 a first time without delay.
Question—put and passed.

7. SUPPLY RESOLUTION [ESTIMATES—ADDITIONS, NEW WORKS, BUILDINGS, ETC., 1913–14].—The Resolution reported from the Committee of Supply was read, and is as follows :—

ADDITIONS, NEW WORKS, BUILDINGS, ETC., 1913–14.

Resolved—That there be granted to His Majesty to the service of the year 1913–14, for the purposes of Additions, New Works, Buildings, &c., a sum not exceeding £3,266,569.

And, on the motion of Sir John Forrest, the said Resolution was adopted by the House.

8. WAYS AND MEANS RESOLUTION.—The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Ways and Means.

(In the Committee.)

ADDITIONS, NEW WORKS, BUILDINGS, ETC., 1913–1914.

Resolved, on the motion of Sir John Forrest—That towards making good the Supply granted to His Majesty for Additions, New Works, Buildings, &c., for the year 1913–14, a sum not exceeding Three million two hundred and sixty-six thousand five hundred and sixty-nine pounds be granted out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund.

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

The House resumed ; Mr. Fowler reported accordingly.

Resolved—That the House will, at its next sitting, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Resolution reported from the Committee was read, and, on the motion of Sir John Forrest, was adopted by the House.

Ordered—That Sir John Forrest and Mr. W. H. Irvine do prepare and bring in a Bill to carry out the foregoing Resolution.

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9. APPROPRIATION (WORKS AND BUILDINGS) BILL 1913-14.—Sir John Forrest then brought up a Bill intituled "*A 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 fourteen for the purposes of Additions, New Works, Buildings, &c.*" 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 the next sitting.

10. PAPER.—Mr. Joseph Cook presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor-General—
Railways—Report (together with Appendices) of the Uniform Gauge Conference held at Melbourne, December, 1912, and April, 1913.

Ordered to lie on the Table, and to be printed.

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

Question—put and passed.

And then the House, at five minutes to two o'clock in the morning, adjourned until this day at three o'clock p.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT.—All Members were present (at some time during the sitting) except—Mr. Archibald, Sir Robert Best, Mr. Burchell, Mr. Carr, Mr. Catts, Mr. Conroy, Mr. Falkiner, Mr. Jensen, Mr. Livingston, and Mr. McWilliams.

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