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THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH.

No. 84.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

MONDAY, 30TH AUGUST, 1915.

1. The House met, at three o'clock p.m., pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair, and read Prayers.
2. SPECIAL ADJOURNMENT.—Mr. Fisher moved, That the House, at its rising, adjourn until to-morrow at half-past Ten o'clock a.m.
Question—put and passed.
3. PAPERS.—The following Papers were presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor-General—
 - Postmaster-General's Department—
Telephones—
Proposals by Committee of Investigation in regard to meeting the Deficiency.
Charges for Telephone Services—Revised scale.
 - Severally ordered to lie on the Table, and to be printed.
 - Prime Minister's Department—
The War—
Intoxicating Liquors—Correspondence relative to the Measures taken in certain Foreign Countries for the Restriction of the Sale of Intoxicating Liquors since the Outbreak of War—Paper presented to British Parliament.
 - Ordered to lie on the Table.
 - The following Papers were presented, pursuant to Statute—
Department of the Treasury—
Land Tax Assessment Act—Return showing Penalties accruing through late payment of tax which have been remitted, in respect of assessments for the financial years 1910-11, 1911-12, 1912-13, and 1913-14, during the period 1st July, 1914, to 30th June, 1915.
 - Postmaster-General's Department—
Public Service Act—
Promotions of—
H. R. David, as Senior Traffic Officer, 3rd Class, Electrical Engineer's Branch (Telephones), Victoria.
H. M. Stapylton, as Postmaster, Grade IV., 3rd Class, Cowra.
4. POSTPONEMENT OF NOTICE OF MOTION.—Ordered—That Notice of Motion, Government Business, be postponed until to-morrow.

30th and 31st August, 1915.

5. SUPPLY BILL (No. 2) 1915-16.—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.)

Schedule debated in Departments.

Mr. Joseph Cook proposing to move, That the item—

VII.—The Department of Trade and Customs—

“ Division No. 90, Subdivision No. 2—Contingencies £1,600 ”

be reduced by £1.

Chairman's Ruling.—A Point of Order having been raised, the Chairman ruled the proposed amendment out of order.

Mr. Joseph Cook moved, That the word “ Contingencies ” be omitted.

Debate ensued.

Mr. Boyd moved, That the question be now put.

Question—That the question be now put—put and negatived.

Debate continued.

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

The Committee divided—

Ayes, 23.

Mr. Bamford	Mr. Mathews
Mr. Brennan	Mr. Parker Moloney
Mr. Burchell	Mr. Riley
Mr. Burns	Mr. Laird Smith
Mr. Dankel	Mr. Spence
Mr. Fenton	Mr. Tudor
Mr. Finlayson	Mr. West
Mr. Fisher	Mr. Yates
Mr. Hampson	
Mr. Hannan	
Mr. Higgs	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. Jensen	Mr. Page
Mr. W. Maloney	Mr. Watkins

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Mr. Atkinson	Mr. Palmer
Mr. Boyd	Mr. Pigott
Mr. Chapman	Mr. Rodgers
Mr. Joseph Cook	Mr. Salmon
Sir John Forrest	Mr. Sinclair
Mr. R. W. Foster	Mr. Stumm
Mr. Gregory	
Mr. W. Elliot Johnson	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. Manifold	Mr. Greene
Mr. McWilliams	Mr. Sampson

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Schedule further debated.

And the Committee continuing to sit till after midnight—

TUESDAY, 31st AUGUST, 1915.

Schedule further debated and agreed to.

Preamble agreed to.

Title agreed to.

Bill to be reported without amendment.

The House resumed; Mr. Chanter reported accordingly.

On the motion of Mr. Fisher, the House adopted the Report, and the Bill was read a third time.

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

Question—put and passed.

And then the House, at sixteen minutes past twelve o'clock midnight, adjourned until this day at half-past ten o'clock a.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT.—All Members were present (at some time during the sitting) except—Lieut.-Colonel Abbott*, Mr. Anstey, Mr. Archibald, Mr. Carr, Mr. Catts, Mr. Glynn, Mr. Livingston, Mr. Lynch, Mr. Mahon, Mr. Mahony, Mr. Orchard, Mr. Patten, Mr. Poynton, General Ryrrie*, Mr. Bruce Smith, Mr. John Thomson, Mr. Webster, and Mr. Wise.

* On leave.

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