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 THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA.

No. 96.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

 TUESDAY, 26TH OCTOBER, 1920.

1. The House met, at three o'clock p.m., pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair, and read Prayers.
2. MESSAGE FROM THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL.—ASSENT TO BILL.—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor-General was received, and the same was read by Mr. Speaker :—

FORSTER,

*Governor-General.**Message No. 41.*

A Bill intituled "*Kalgoorlie to Port Augusta Railway Lands Act 1920*," 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.

Government House,
Melbourne, 20th October, 1920.

3. NAVIGATION BILL (1920)—SENATE'S MESSAGE NO. 60.—The Order of the Day having been read for the consideration in Committee of the whole House of the Senate's Message No. 60—Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole.

(In the Committee.)

The Committee proceeded to consider the Amendments, which are as follow :—

AMENDMENT MADE BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES NOT AGREED TO BY THE SENATE,
BUT CLAUSE AMENDED.

Amendment of the House of Representatives No. 9, viz. :—

Page 5, clause 23, omit this clause and insert the following new clause :—

" 23. Section eighty-eight of the Principal Act is repealed and the following section inserted in its stead :—

- ' 88.—(1.) If any seaman, employed on a ship registered in Australia, is discharged—
- (a) elsewhere than at the port of discharge specified in his agreement ;
 - (b) otherwise than in accordance with the terms of his agreement or the provisions of this Act ;
 - (c) without fault on his part justifying his discharge ; and
 - (d) without his consent,

the provisions of sub-sections (5.) and (6.) of section fifty of this Act shall apply as if the seaman had been discharged in pursuance of sub-section (3.) of that section.' "

Amendment not agreed to by the Senate, but in place thereof clause 23 amended as follows :—

Page 5, line 40, after " amended " insert "—(a)".

Page 5, at end of clause add " ; and

- (b) by omitting from sub-section (2.) thereof the words ' the master or owner shall provide him with a passage to that port or such other port as is mutually agreed to with the approval of the proper authority ' and inserting in their stead the words ' the provisions of sub-sections (5.) and (6.) of section fifty of this Act shall also apply as if the seaman had been discharged in pursuance of sub-section (3.) of that section.' "

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AMENDMENT MADE BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES TO WHICH THE SENATE HAS AGREED
WITH AMENDMENTS.

Amendment of the House of Representatives No. 11, viz. :—

Page 9, after clause 33, insert the following new clause :—

“ 33A. Section one hundred and thirty-five of the Principal Act is amended Amendment of section 135.
by adding the following paragraph :—

‘(e) make provision, where such can be provided without detriment to the safe navigation of the ship, for a wheelhouse or, if such is not practicable, such temporary shelter as may be prescribed.’”

Amendment agreed to by the Senate with the following amendments, viz. :—

(a) the omission of the words “ adding the following paragraph :—‘(e)’ ” and the insertion in their stead of the words “ inserting therein after paragraph (a) the following paragraph :—‘(aa)’ ” ; and

(b) the insertion, after the word “ prescribed ” of the word “ ; and ”.

On the motion of Mr. Greene, Amendment No. 9 not insisted on, and amendments made by the Senate in clause 23 of the Bill in place thereof agreed to, and amendments made by the Senate to Amendment No. 11 agreed to.

Resolutions to be reported.

The House resumed ; Mr. Chanter reported accordingly.

On the motion of Mr. Greene, the House adopted the Report.

4. CUSTOMS BILL (1920).—The Order of the Day having been read for the second reading—Mr. Greene moved, That the Bill be now read a second time.
Mr. Tudor moved, That the debate be now adjourned.
Question—That the debate be now adjourned—put and passed.
Ordered—That the resumption of the debate be made an Order of the Day for to-morrow.
5. POSTPONEMENT OF BUSINESS.—Ordered—That Order of the Day No. 3 be postponed until after Order of the Day No. 9, Government Business.
6. TREATY OF PEACE (GERMANY) BILL (1920).—The Order of the Day having been read for the second reading—Mr. Hughes 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.)

Clauses 1, 2, and 3 agreed to.

Title agreed to.

Bill to be reported without amendment.

The House resumed ; Mr. Bamford reported accordingly.

On the motion of Mr. Hughes, the House adopted the Report.

Mr. Hughes moved, pursuant to contingent notice, That the Standing Orders be suspended, to enable the remaining stage to be passed without delay.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and passed.

On the motion of Mr. Hughes, the Bill was read a third time.

7. TREATIES OF PEACE (AUSTRIA AND BULGARIA) BILL.—The Order of the Day having been read for the second reading—Mr. Hughes 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.)

Bill agreed to, after debate, and to be reported without amendment.

The House resumed ; Mr. Chanter reported accordingly.

On the motion of Sir Granville Ryrie, the House adopted the Report.

Sir Granville Ryrie moved, pursuant to contingent notice, That the Standing Orders be suspended, to enable the remaining stage to be passed without delay.

Question—put and passed.

On the motion of Sir Granville Ryrie, the Bill was read a third time.

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8. **POSTPONEMENT OF BUSINESS.**—Ordered—That the intervening Business be postponed until after Orders of the Day Nos. 10 and 11, Government Business.

9. **NATIONALITY BILL.**—The Order of the Day having been read for the second reading—Mr. Poynton moved, That the Bill be now read a second time.

Mr. Tudor moved, That the debate be now adjourned.

Question—That the debate be now adjourned—put and passed.

Ordered—That the resumption of the debate be made an Order of the Day for to-morrow.

10. **PASSPORTS BILL.**—The Order of the Day having been read for the resumption of the debate on the question, That the Bill be now read a second time—

Debate resumed.

Question—put.

The House divided—

Ayes, 26.		Noes, 9.	
Mr. Bamford	Mr. Hill	Mr. Blakeley	Mr. Tudor
Mr. Bell	Mr. Jackson	Mr. Brennan	
Sir Robert Best	Mr. Jowett	Mr. Charlton	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. Donald Cameron	Mr. Lister	Mr. Gabb	
Mr. Chanter	Mr. Mackay	Mr. McGrath	Mr. Mathews
Mr. Robert Cook	Mr. Marks	Mr. James Page	Mr. Riley
Mr. Corser	Mr. Marr		
Mr. Fleming	Mr. Poynton		
Mr. R. W. Foster	Mr. Laird Smith		
Mr. Francis	Mr. Wienholt		
Mr. Gibson			
Mr. Greene	<i>Tellers:</i>		
Mr. Gregory	Mr. Burchell		
Mr. Higgs	Mr. Story		

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.—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 agreed to.

Clause 2 debated.

Mr. Gabb moved, as an amendment, That the word "two" (line 10 of page 1) be omitted with a view to the insertion of the word "five" in place thereof.

Debate ensued.

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

The Committee divided—

Ayes, 25.		Noes, 8.	
Mr. Atkinson	Mr. Jackson	Mr. Blakeley	Mr. Tudor
Mr. Bamford	Mr. Lister	Mr. Brennan	
Mr. Bell	Mr. Mackay	Mr. Gabb	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. Donald Cameron	Mr. Marks	Mr. Mathews	Mr. Charlton
Mr. Robert Cook	Mr. Marr	Mr. McGrath	Mr. Riley
Mr. Corser	Mr. Earle Page		
Mr. Fleming	Mr. Poynton		
Mr. R. W. Foster	Mr. Laird Smith		
Mr. Francis	Mr. Wienholt		
Mr. Gibson			
Mr. Greene	<i>Tellers:</i>		
Mr. Gregory	Mr. Burchell		
Mr. Higgs	Mr. Story		
Mr. Hill			

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Clause agreed to.

Clause 3 debated—

Mr. Blakeley moved, as an amendment, That the words "or appears to an officer to be" (lines 5 and 6) be omitted from the clause.

Debate ensued.

Amendment negatived.

Mr. Blakeley moved, as an amendment, That the word "sixteen" (line 6) be omitted with a view to the insertion of the word "twenty-one" in place thereof.

Amendment negatived.

Mr. Brennan moved, as an amendment, That the words "hundred pounds, or imprisonment for six months" (line 13) be omitted with a view to the insertion of the word "pound" in place thereof.

Debate ensued.

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

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The Committee divided—

Ayes, 26.		Noes, 7.
Mr. Atkinson	Mr. Jackson	Mr. Blakeley
Mr. Bell	Mr. Lister	Mr. Brennan
Mr. Donald Cameron	Mr. Mackay	Mr. Gabb
Sir Joseph Cook	Mr. Marks	Mr. Mathews
Mr. Robert Cook	Mr. Marr	Mr. Tudor
Mr. Corser	Mr. Earle Page	
Mr. R. W. Foster	Mr. Poynton	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. Francis	Mr. Laird Smith	Mr. Charlton
Mr. Gibson	Mr. Wienholt	Mr. Riley
Mr. Greene	Mr. Wise	
Mr. Gregory		
Mr. Higgs	<i>Tellers:</i>	
Mr. Hill	Mr. Burchell	
Mr. Hughes	Mr. Story	

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Clause further debated and agreed to.

Clause 4 agreed to.

Clause 5—

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

The House resumed ; Mr. Chanter reported accordingly.

Resolved—That the House will, to-morrow, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

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

Debate ensued.

Question—put and passed.

And then the House, at twenty-two minutes 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. Bayley, Mr. Bowden*, Mr. J. H. Catts, Mr. Austin Chapman, Mr. Considine, Mr. Cunningham, Mr. Fenton, Mr. Fowler, Mr. Lamond, Mr. Lavelle, Mr. Lazzarini, Mr. Livingston, Mr. Mahony, Mr. Makin, Mr. W. Maloney, Mr. Maxwell, Mr. McWilliams, Mr. Nicholls, Mr. Prowse, Mr. Ryan, Mr. Stewart, Mr. Watkins, Mr. Watt, and Mr. West.

*On leave.

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