

1920-21.

## THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA.

No. 140.

## VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

## HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

THURSDAY, 2ND JUNE, 1921.

1. The House met, at half-past two o'clock p.m., pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Deputy-Speaker took the Chair, and read Prayers.

2. ADJOURNMENT—MOTION FOR PURPOSE OF DISCUSSION.—Mr. Considine 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 menace to the world's peace involved in the growing estrangement between the United States of America and the British Empire, due in part to the awful state of affairs existing in Ireland under the British occupation as depicted in the Report of the American Commission on Conditions in Ireland".

Mr. Deputy-Speaker thereupon called upon those Members who approved of the proposed discussion to rise in their places, and the necessary number of Members having risen accordingly—

Mr. Considine moved, That the House do now adjourn.

Debate ensued.

Question—put.

The House divided—

Ayes, 9.

Mr. Brennan	Mr. Ryan
Mr. Cunningham	
Mr. Lavelle	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. W. Maloney	Mr. Considine
Mr. Mathews	Mr. James Page
Mr. Parker Moloney	

Noes, 36.

Mr. Atkinson	Mr. Higgs
Mr. Bamford	Mr. Hill
Mr. Bayley	Mr. Jackson
Mr. Bell	Mr. Jowett
Sir Robert Best	Mr. Lamond
Mr. Blundell	Mr. Lister
Mr. Bowden	Mr. Livingston
Mr. Donald Cameron	Mr. Mackay
Sir Joseph Cook	Mr. Marks
Mr. Robert Cook	Mr. Marr
Mr. Corser	Mr. Rodgers
Mr. Foley	Sir Granville Ryrie
Mr. R. W. Foster	Mr. Laird Smith
Mr. Fowler	Mr. Stewart
Mr. Francis	Mr. Wise
Mr. Gibson	
Mr. Greene	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. Gregory	Mr. Burchell
Mr. Groom	Mr. Story

And so it was negatived.

3. PAPERS.—The following Papers were presented, pursuant to Statute—  
Northern Territory—Ordinance of 1921—No. 6—Supreme Court (No. 2).  
Papua—Ordinance of 1920—No. 15—Criminal Code Amendment.

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4. WAYS AND MEANS ["GRIEVANCE DAY"].—Pursuant to the provisions of Standing Order No. 241, the Order of the Day having been read for going into the Committee of Ways and Means—

Question proposed—That Mr. Deputy-Speaker do now leave the Chair.

Sir Joseph Cook moved, That the debate be now adjourned.

Question—That the debate be now adjourned—put.

The House divided—

Ayes, 35.

Mr. Atkinson	Mr. Groom
Mr. Bamford	Mr. Higgs
Mr. Bayley	Mr. Jackson
Mr. Bell	Mr. Jowett
Sir Robert Best	Mr. Lamond
Mr. Blundell	Mr. Lister
Mr. Bowden	Mr. Livingston
Mr. Donald Cameron	Mr. Mackay
Sir Joseph Cook	Mr. Marks
Mr. Robert Cook	Mr. Marr
Mr. Corser	Mr. Rodgers
Mr. Foley	Sir Granville Ryrie
Mr. R. W. Foster	Mr. Laird Smith
Mr. Fowler	Mr. Wise
Mr. Francis	
Mr. Gabb	
Mr. Gibson	
Mr. Greene	
Mr. Gregory	

*Tellers:*

Mr. Burchell  
Mr. Story

Noes, 17.

Mr. Anstey	Mr. Riley
Mr. Brennan	Mr. Ryan
Mr. J. H. Catts	Mr. Stewart
Mr. Charlton	Mr. Watkins
Mr. Considine	Mr. West
Mr. Cunningham	
Mr. Lavelle	
Mr. Mahony	
Mr. Mathews	Mr. Parker Moloney
Mr. McGrath	Mr. James Page

*Tellers:*

Mr. Parker Moloney  
Mr. James Page

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Question—That the Committee have leave to sit forthwith—put.

The House divided—

Ayes, 34.

Mr. Atkinson	Mr. Gregory
Mr. Bamford	Mr. Groom
Mr. Bayley	Mr. Higgs
Mr. Bell	Mr. Jackson
Sir Robert Best	Mr. Jowett
Mr. Blundell	Mr. Lamond
Mr. Bowden	Mr. Lister
Mr. Donald Cameron	Mr. Livingston
Sir Joseph Cook	Mr. Mackay
Mr. Robert Cook	Mr. Marr
Mr. Corser	Mr. Rodgers
Mr. Foley	Sir Granville Ryrie
Mr. R. W. Foster	Mr. Laird Smith
Mr. Fowler	Mr. Wise
Mr. Francis	
Mr. Gabb	
Mr. Gibson	
Mr. Greene	

*Tellers:*

Mr. Burchell  
Mr. Story

Noes, 13.

Mr. Brennan	Mr. Riley
Mr. J. H. Catts	Mr. Watkins
Mr. Charlton	Mr. West
Mr. Considine	
Mr. Cunningham	
Mr. Lavelle	
Mr. Mahony	Mr. Parker Moloney
Mr. McGrath	Mr. James Page

*Tellers:*

Mr. Parker Moloney  
Mr. James Page

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

5. WAYS AND MEANS [THE TARIFF].—The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Ways and Means.

(In the Committee.)

[See reprinted Tariff, which incorporates the proposed Resolutions of 24th March, 1920 (*vide* pages 36–88 *ante*), as amended by the proposed Resolutions of 16th September, 1920 (*vide* pages 321–6 *ante*).]

Item 136, viz. :—

	British Preferential Tariff.	Intermediate Tariff.	General Tariff.
136. Iron and Steel—			
(A) Pig Iron .. .. . per ton	20s.	30s.	40s.
(B) Ingots, Blooms, Slabs, Billets, Puddled Bars and Loops, or like crude manufactures, less finished than Iron or Steel Bars, but more advanced than Pig Iron (except castings) .. .. . per ton	32s.	52s.	65s.

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	British Preferential Tariff.	Intermediate Tariff.	General Tariff.
136. Iron and Steel—			
(c) Bar, Rod, Angle, Tee; Bars of fancy pattern in the state in which they leave the rollers .. .. . per ton	44s.	65s.	80s.
(d) Plate and Sheet (Plain)—			
(1) up to and including one-sixteenth of an inch in thickness ad val.	Free	5 per cent.	10 per cent.
And on and after 1st January, 1922 per ton	65s.	82s. 6d.	100s.
(2) exceeding one-sixteenth of an inch in thickness .. ad val.	Free	5 per cent.	10 per cent.
And on and after 1st January, 1921 per ton	48s.	68s.	85s.
(E) Wire .. .. . per ton	52s.	72s. 6d.	90s.
(F) Hoop .. .. . ad val.	Free	5 per cent.	10 per cent.
And on and after 1st January, 1921 per ton	70s.	90s.	95s.

Debate resumed on the amendment moved by Mr. Watkins, viz. :—That the Item be amended by adding the following to sub-item (A) :—

	British Preferential Tariff.	Intermediate Tariff.	General Tariff.
“ And on and after 3rd June, 1921 per ton	30s.	45s.	60s.”

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

The House resumed ; Mr. Atkinson reported accordingly.

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

6. ALTERATION OF HOUR OF NEXT MEETING.—Sir Joseph Cook moved, That the House, at its rising, adjourn until half-past eleven o'clock to-morrow morning.

Question—put and passed.

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

Question—put and passed.

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

MEMBERS PRESENT.—All Members were present (at some time during the sitting) except—Mr. Bruce\*, Mr. Austin Chapman, Mr. Fleming, Mr. Hay, Mr. Hughes\*, Sir Elliot Johnson, Mr. Lazzarini, Mr. Maxwell\*, Mr. McDonald\*, Mr. Nicholls, Mr. Earle Page, Mr. Poynton, Mr. Prowse, Mr. Tudor\*, and Mr. Wienholt.

\* On leave.

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