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THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA.

No. 175.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

FRIDAY, 7TH OCTOBER, 1921.

1. The House met, at eleven o'clock a.m., pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair, and read Prayers.
2. DAYS OF BUSINESS.—Mr. Hughes moved, by leave, That, unless otherwise ordered, this House shall meet for the despatch of business at three o'clock on each Wednesday afternoon, at half-past two o'clock on each Thursday afternoon, and at eleven o'clock on each Friday morning.
Debate ensued.
Question—put and passed.
3. PAPERS.—The following Papers were presented, pursuant to Statute—
High Court Procedure Act—Rule of Court—dated 26th September, 1921.
Lands Acquisition Act—Land acquired under, at Laverton, Victoria—For Defence purposes.
Public Service Act—Appointment of W. Galt, Attorney-General's Department.
4. MINISTERIAL STATEMENT AS TO WASHINGTON CONFERENCE *RE* DISARMAMENT, ETC.—MOTION FOR PRINTING CABLEGRAM.—The Order of the Day having been read for the resumption of the debate on the amendment of Mr. Riley, That the following words, viz. :—"and, in the opinion of this House, a Member of the House of Representatives should be appointed to represent Australia at the Washington Conference" be added to the following motion of Mr. Hughes:—That the cablegram (from the Secretary of State for the Colonies, dated 3rd October, 1921, conveying the invitation of the Prime Minister of Great Britain to Australia to be represented on the British Empire Delegation at the Washington Conference) be printed—
Debate resumed.
Question—That the words proposed to be added be so added—put.
The House divided—

Ayes, 15.

Mr. Blakeley	Mr. McGrath
Mr. Brennan	Mr. Parker Moloney
Mr. Charlton	Mr. Watkins
Mr. Fleming	Mr. West
Mr. Gabb	
Mr. Lazzarini	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. Mahony	
Mr. Makin	Mr. Fenton
Mr. Mathews	Mr. Riley

Noes, 35.

Mr. Atkinson	Mr. Jowett
Mr. Bamford	Mr. Lamond
Mr. Bayley	Mr. Lister
Mr. Donald Cameron	Mr. Mackay
Mr. Chanter	Mr. Marks
Mr. Austin Chapman	Mr. Marr
Mr. Considine	Mr. Maxwell
Sir Joseph Cook	Mr. Poynton
Mr. Robert Cook	Mr. Prowse
Mr. Corser	Mr. Rodgers
Mr. R. W. Foster	Sir Granville Ryrie
Mr. Fowler	Mr. Laird Smith
Mr. Greene	Mr. Wienholt
Mr. Groom	Mr. Wise
Mr. Hay	
Mr. Higgs	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. Hill	
Mr. Hughes	Mr. Burchell
Mr. Hunter	Mr. Story

And so it was negatived.

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Question—That the motion be agreed to—put.

The House divided—

Ayes, 36.

Mr. Atkinson	Mr. Hunter
Mr. Bamford	Mr. Jowett
Mr. Bayley	Mr. Lamond
Mr. Donald Cameron	Mr. Lister
Mr. Chanter	Mr. Mackay
Mr. Austin Chapman	Mr. Marks
Sir Joseph Cook	Mr. Marr
Mr. Corser	Mr. Maxwell
Mr. Fleming	Mr. Poynton
Mr. Foley	Mr. Prowse
Mr. R. W. Foster	Mr. Rodgers
Mr. Fowler	Sir Granville Ryrie
Mr. Greene	Mr. Laird Smith
Mr. Gregory	Mr. Wienholt
Mr. Groom	Mr. Wise
Mr. Hay	
Mr. Higgs	
Mr. Hill	
Mr. Hughes	

Tellers:

Mr. Burchell
Mr. Story

Noes, 16.

Mr. Blakeley	Mr. McGrath
Mr. Brennan	Mr. Parker Moloney
Mr. Charlton	Mr. Riley
Mr. Considine	Mr. Watkins
Mr. Gabb	Mr. West
Mr. Lazzarini	
Mr. Makin	
Mr. W. Maloney	
Mr. Mathews	

Tellers:

Mr. Fenton
Mr. Mahony

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

5. MINISTERIAL STATEMENT *RE* IMPERIAL CONFERENCE.—MOTION FOR PRINTING STATEMENT, ETC.—The Order of the Day having been read for the resumption of the debate on the following motion of Mr. Hughes—That the Ministerial Statement *re* Imperial Conference [*made on the 30th September*] and certain Resolutions [*notified on the 5th October*] be printed—
Question—That the motion be agreed to—put and passed.

6. ADJOURNMENT.—Mr. Hughes moved, That the House do now adjourn.
Debate ensued.
Question—put and passed.

And then the House, at five minutes to three o'clock p.m., adjourned until Wednesday next at three o'clock p.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT.—All Members were present (at some time during the sitting) except—Mr. Anstey, Mr. Bowden, Mr. Bruce, Mr. J. H. Catts, Mr. Cunningham, Mr. Jackson, Mr. Lambert, Mr. Lavelle, Mr. Livingston, Mr. McDonald, Mr. Nicholls, Mr. Stewart*, Mr. Tudor, and Mr. Watt.

* On leave.

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