THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA.

No. 192.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

WEDNESDAY, 16TH NOVEMBER, 1921.

- 1. The House met, at half-past two o'clock p.m., pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair, and read Prayers.
- 2. Adjournment-Motion for Purpose of Discussion.—Mr. Blakeley 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 Commonwealth Court of Conciliation and Arbitration and matters appertaining thereto".
 - 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. Blakeley moved, That the House do now adjourn.

Mr. Blakeley not having, in compliance with Standing Order No. 39, concluded his speech within thirty minutes, the honorable Member was, by leave of the House, allowed to continue his speech for a few minutes.

Debate ensued.

Mr. Hughes, addressing the House, and not having, in compliance with Standing Order No. 39, concluded his speech within fifteen minutes, the honorable Member was, by leave of the House, allowed to continue his speech for a few minutes.

Debate continued.

Question-put and negatived.

- 3. MINISTERIAL STATEMENT—COMMONWEALTH SHIPPING AND SHIPBUILDING.—Mr. Hughes, by leave, made a Ministerial Statement with reference to Commonwealth Shipping and Shipbuilding.
- 4. Message from the Senate.—Excise Tariff Bill (1921).—Mr. Speaker announced the receipt of the following Message from the Senate:—

. Mr. SPEAKER,

Message No. 96.

The Senate returns to the House of Representatives the Bill for "An Act relating to Duties of Excise," and acquaints the House that the Senate has agreed to the Bill as amended by the House at the request of the Senate.

Thos. Givens, President.

The Senate,

Melbourne, 16th November, 1921.

5. Supply—Estimates—Additions, New Works, Buildings, etc., 1921-22.—The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.

(In the Committee.)

Additions, New Works, Buildings, etc., 1921-22.

Vote—"The Department of Defence—Military £1,134,251"—Debate resumed on the motion of Mr. Charlton, That the Vote be reduced by £500,000. Question put. F.255.

The Committee divided-

	Ayes, 20.	Noe	s, 30.
Mr. Anstey Mr. Blakeley Mr. Considine Mr. Fleming Mr. Gabb Mr. Hill Mr. Hunter Mr. Lavelle Mr. Lazzarini Mr. Mahony Mr. Mathews	Mr. McGrath Mr. Parker Moloney Mr. Nicholls Mr. Earle Page Mr. Riley Mr. West Mr. Wienholt Tellers: Mr. Makin Mr. Watkins	Mr. Atkinson Mr. Bamford Mr. Bayley Mr. Bell Mr. Blundell Mr. Bruce Mr. Donald Cameron Mr. Austin Chapman Mr. Corser Mr. Foley Mr. R. W. Foster Mr. Francis Mr. Gibson Mr. Greene Mr. Gregory Mr. Groom	Mr. Higgs Mr. Jackson Mr. Lamond Mr. Lister Mr. Mackay Mr. Marks Mr. Poynton Mr. Prowse Mr. Rodgers Sir Granville Ryrie Mr. Laird Smith Mr. Wise Tellers: Mr. Marr Mr. Story

And so it was negatived.

Mr. Groom'moved, That progress be reported and leave asked to sit again.

Mr. Hunter

Mr. Lister Mr. Mackay Mr. Marks

Mr. Jackson Mr. Lamond

Mr. Poynton

Question-put.

The Committee divided-

Mr. Atkinson

Mr. Bamford Mr. Bayley Mr. Bell

Mr. Blundell Mr. Bowden Mr. Bruce

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Mr. Anstey	Mr. McGrath
Mr. Blakeley	Mr. Nicholls
Mr. Considine	Mr. Earle Page
Mr. Fleming	Mr. Riley
Mr. Gabb	Mr. Watkins
Mr. Hill	Mr. West
Mr. Lavelle	
Mr. Lazzarini	Tellers:
Mr. Mahony	Mr. Makin

Mr. Mathews

Noes, 18.

Mr. Parker Moloney

Mr. Corser
Mr. Foley
Mr. R. W. Foster
Mr. Francis Sir Granville Ryrie Mr. Laird Smith Mr. Wienholt Mr. Wise

Mr. Donald Cameron Mr. Prowse Mr. Austin Chapman Mr. Rodgers

Mr. Gibson Mr. Greene

Tellers:Mr. Gregory Mr. Groom Mr. Marr Mr. Story Mr. Higgs

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

The House resumed; Mr. Chanter reported accordingly. Resolved—That the House will, to-morrow, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

6. Adjournment.—Mr. Groom moved, That the House do now adjourn.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and passed.

And then the House, at twelve minutes past eleven 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. Burchell, Mr. J. H. Catts, Mr. Robert Cook, Mr. Cunningham, Mr. Fenton, Mr. Hay, Mr. Lambert, Mr. Livingston, Mr. McDonald, Mr. McWilliams, Mr. Stewart, Mr. Tudor*, and Mr. Watt. * On leave.

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