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## THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA.

No. 39.

## VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

## HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

THURSDAY, 21<sup>ST</sup> SEPTEMBER, 1922.

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. 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 urgent necessity of some form of public investigation into the widespread charges of Bribery, Corruption, Forgery, Impersonation, and other criminal practices now being made in various States in connexion with the selection and election of candidates by Political Organizations for State and Commonwealth Parliaments".

Mr. 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—

Question proposed—That the House do now adjourn.

Mr. Considine addressing the House—

*Closure moved*—Mr. Higgs moved, That the question be now put.

Question—That the question be now put—put.

The House divided—

Ayes, 3.	Noes, 46.
Mr. Higgs	Mr. Anstey
	Mr. Atkinson
	Mr. Bell
	Mr. Blundell
	Mr. Bowden
	Mr. Brennan
	Mr. Bruce
	Mr. Donald Cameron
	Mr. Charlton
	Mr. Considine
	Mr. Robert Cook
	Mr. Corser
	Mr. Cunningham
	Mr. Fleming
	Mr. R. W. Foster
	Mr. Francis
	Mr. Gabb
	Mr. Greene
	Mr. Groom
	Mr. Hay
	Mr. Hughes
	Mr. Hunter
	Mr. Jowett
	Mr. Lambert
	Mr. Lamond
	Mr. Mackay
	Mr. Mahony
	Mr. W. Maloney
	Mr. Marks
	Mr. Mathews
	Mr. Maxwell
	Mr. McDonald
	Mr. McGrath
	Mr. McWilliams
	Mr. Parker Moloney
	Mr. Poynton
	Mr. Riley
	Mr. Rodgers
	Sir Granville Ryrie
	Mr. Scullin
	Mr. Laird Smith
	Mr. Watkins
	Mr. Wienholt
	Mr. Wise
	<i>Tellers:</i>
	Mr. Marr
	Mr. Story

And so it was negatived.

Mr. Considine concluded his speech.

Debate ensued.

Question—That the House do now adjourn—put.

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The House divided—

Ayes, 15.		Noes, 36.	
Mr. Anstey	Mr. McGrath	Mr. Bamford	Mr. Jowett
Mr. Brennan	Mr. Parker Moloney	Mr. Bell	Mr. Lamond
Mr. Charlton	Mr. Riley	Mr. Blundell	Mr. Lister
Mr. Considine	Mr. Watkins	Mr. Bruce	Mr. Mackay
Mr. Gabb		Mr. Burchell	Mr. Marks
Mr. Lambert		Mr. Donald Cameron	Mr. Maxwell
Mr. Mahony	<i>Tellers:</i>	Mr. Chanter	Mr. McWilliams
Mr. Mathews	Mr. Cunningham	Mr. Robert Cook	Mr. Poynton
Mr. McDonald	Mr. Scullin	Mr. Corser	Mr. Pratten
		Mr. Fleming	Mr. Prowse
		Mr. R. W. Foster	Mr. Rodgers
		Mr. Francis	Sir Granville Ryrie
		Mr. Greene	Mr. Laird Smith
		Mr. Groom	Mr. Wienholt
		Mr. Hay	Mr. Wise
		Mr. Higgs	
		Mr. Hughes	<i>Tellers:</i>
		Mr. Hunter	Mr. Marr
		Mr. Jackson	Mr. Story

And so it was negatived.

3. **PRESENTATION OF ADDRESS-IN-REPLY.**—Mr. Hughes informed the House that the Address-in-Reply would be presented to His Excellency the Governor-General, at Government House, at a quarter to twelve o'clock to-morrow morning.
4. **PAPER.**—The following Paper was presented, pursuant to Statute—  
New Guinea Act—Ordinance of 1922—No. 28—Public Service (No. 2).
5. **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—That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair—put and negatived.  
Resolved—That the House will, at a later hour this day, resolve itself into the said Committee.
6. **LAND TAX BILL (1922) (No. 2).**—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.

Mr. Charlton moved, as an amendment, That all the words after the word "That" be omitted from the motion, with a view to the insertion of the following words in place thereof:—

"there shall be no remission of taxation upon estates valued at £20,000 and over, or upon estates owned by absentees".

Debate continued.

*Closure*—Mr. Bruce moved, That the question be now put.

Question—That the question be now put—put.

The House divided—

Ayes, 32.		Noes, 11.	
Mr. Atkinson	Mr. Lamond	Mr. Anstey	Mr. Mathews
Mr. Bamford	Mr. Lister	Mr. Brennan	Mr. Watkins
Mr. Bell	Mr. Mackay	Mr. Considine	
Mr. Blundell	Mr. Marks	Mr. Cunningham	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. Bruce	Mr. Maxwell	Mr. Gabb	
Mr. Donald Cameron	Mr. Poynton	Mr. Lambert	Mr. Parker Moloney
Mr. Chanter	Mr. Pratten	Mr. Mahony	Mr. Scullin
Mr. Robert Cook	Mr. Prowse		
Mr. Corser	Mr. Rodgers		
Mr. Fleming	Sir Granville Ryrie		
Mr. R. W. Foster	Mr. Laird Smith		
Mr. Greene	Mr. Wienholt		
Mr. Groom	Mr. Wise		
Mr. Hay			
Mr. Higgs	<i>Tellers:</i>		
Mr. Hunter	Mr. Marr		
Mr. Jackson	Mr. Story		

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

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And the question being accordingly put—That the words proposed to be omitted stand part of the question, That the Bill be now read a second time—

The House divided—

Ayes, 35.		Noes, 11.	
Mr. Atkinson	Mr. Lister	Mr. Anstey	Mr. Mathews
Mr. Bamford	Mr. Mackay	Mr. Brennan	Mr. Watkins
Mr. Bell	Mr. Marks	Mr. Considine	
Mr. Blundell	Mr. Maxwell	Mr. Cunningham	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. Bruce	Mr. McWilliams	Mr. Gabb	
Mr. Donald Cameron	Mr. Poynton	Mr. Lambert	Mr. Parker Moloney
Mr. Chanter	Mr. Pratten	Mr. Mahony	Mr. Scullin
Mr. Robert Cook	Mr. Prowse		
Mr. Corser	Mr. Rodgers		
Mr. Fleming	Sir Granville Ryrie		
Mr. R. W. Foster	Mr. Laird Smith		
Mr. Greene	Mr. Watt		
Mr. Groom	Mr. Wienholt		
Mr. Hay	Mr. Wise		
Mr. Higgs			
Mr. Hunter	<i>Tellers:</i>		
Mr. Jackson			
Mr. Jowett	Mr. Marr		
Mr. Lamond	Mr. Story		

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

And the further question being accordingly put—That the Bill be now read a second time—

The House divided—

Ayes, 35.		Noes, 11.	
Mr. Atkinson	Mr. Lister	Mr. Anstey	Mr. Mathews
Mr. Bamford	Mr. Mackay	Mr. Brennan	Mr. Watkins
Mr. Bell	Mr. Marks	Mr. Considine	
Mr. Blundell	Mr. Maxwell	Mr. Cunningham	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. Bruce	Mr. McWilliams	Mr. Gabb	
Mr. Donald Cameron	Mr. Poynton	Mr. Lambert	Mr. Parker Moloney
Mr. Chanter	Mr. Pratten	Mr. Mahony	Mr. Scullin
Mr. Robert Cook	Mr. Prowse		
Mr. Corser	Mr. Rodgers		
Mr. Fleming	Sir Granville Ryrie		
Mr. R. W. Foster	Mr. Laird Smith		
Mr. Greene	Mr. Watt		
Mr. Groom	Mr. Wienholt		
Mr. Hay	Mr. Wise		
Mr. Higgs			
Mr. Hunter	<i>Tellers:</i>		
Mr. Jackson			
Mr. Jowett	Mr. Marr		
Mr. Lamond	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—

Question—That the clause be agreed to—put.

The Committee divided—

Ayes, 34.		Noes, 11.	
Mr. Atkinson	Mr. Lister	Mr. Anstey	Mr. Mathews
Mr. Bamford	Mr. Mackay	Mr. Brennan	Mr. Parker Moloney
Mr. Bell	Mr. Marks	Mr. Considine	
Mr. Blundell	Mr. Maxwell	Mr. Cunningham	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. Bruce	Mr. McWilliams	Mr. Gabb	
Mr. Donald Cameron	Mr. Poynton	Mr. Lambert	Mr. Scullin
Mr. Robert Cook	Mr. Pratten	Mr. Mahony	Mr. Watkins
Mr. Corser	Mr. Prowse		
Mr. Fleming	Mr. Rodgers		
Mr. R. W. Foster	Sir Granville Ryrie		
Mr. Greene	Mr. Laird Smith		
Mr. Groom	Mr. Watt		
Mr. Hay	Mr. Wienholt		
Mr. Higgs	Mr. Wise		
Mr. Hunter			
Mr. Jackson	<i>Tellers:</i>		
Mr. Jowett	Mr. Marr		
Mr. Lamond	Mr. Story		

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

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Clause 2—

Question—That the clause be agreed to—put.

The Committee divided—

Ayes, 34.

Mr. Atkinson	Mr. Lister
Mr. Bamford	Mr. Mackay
Mr. Bell	Mr. Marks
Mr. Blundell	Mr. Maxwell
Mr. Bruce	Mr. McWilliams
Mr. Donald Cameron	Mr. Poynton
Mr. Robert Cook	Mr. Pratten
Mr. Corser	Mr. Prowse
Mr. Fleming	Mr. Rodgers
Mr. R. W. Foster	Sir Granville Ryrie
Mr. Greene	Mr. Laird Smith
Mr. Groom	Mr. Watt
Mr. Hay	Mr. Wienholt
Mr. Higgs	Mr. Wise
Mr. Hunter	
Mr. Jackson	<i>Tellers :</i>
Mr. Jowett	Mr. Marr
Mr. Lamond	Mr. Story

Noes, 11.

Mr. Anstey	Mr. Mathews
Mr. Brennan	Mr. Scullin
Mr. Considine	
Mr. Cunningham	<i>Tellers :</i>
Mr. Gabb	
Mr. Lambert	Mr. Parker Moloney
Mr. Mahony	Mr. Watkins

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Clause 3 debated—

Question proposed—That the clause be agreed to—

Mr. Considine addressing the Committee—

*Closure*—Mr. Bruce moved, That the question be now put.

Question—That the question be now put—put.

The Committee divided—

Ayes, 31.

Mr. Atkinson	Mr. Lister
Mr. Bamford	Mr. Mackay
Mr. Bell	Mr. Marks
Mr. Blundell	Mr. Maxwell
Mr. Bruce	Mr. Poynton
Mr. Donald Cameron	Mr. Pratten
Mr. Robert Cook	Mr. Prowse
Mr. Corser	Mr. Rodgers
Mr. Fleming	Sir Granville Ryrie
Mr. R. W. Foster	Mr. Laird Smith
Mr. Greene	Mr. Wienholt
Mr. Groom	Mr. Wise
Mr. Hay	
Mr. Higgs	<i>Tellers :</i>
Mr. Hunter	
Mr. Jackson	Mr. Marr
Mr. Lamond	Mr. Story

Noes, 11.

Mr. Anstey	Mr. Mathews
Mr. Brennan	Mr. Scullin
Mr. Considine	
Mr. Cunningham	<i>Tellers :</i>
Mr. Gabb	
Mr. Lambert	Mr. Parker Moloney
Mr. Mahony	Mr. Watkins

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

And the question being accordingly put—That the clause be agreed to—

The Committee divided—

Ayes, 33.

Mr. Atkinson	Mr. Lister
Mr. Bamford	Mr. Mackay
Mr. Bell	Mr. Marks
Mr. Blundell	Mr. Maxwell
Mr. Bruce	Mr. McWilliams
Mr. Donald Cameron	Mr. Poynton
Mr. Robert Cook	Mr. Pratten
Mr. Corser	Mr. Prowse
Mr. Fleming	Mr. Rodgers
Mr. R. W. Foster	Sir Granville Ryrie
Mr. Greene	Mr. Laird Smith
Mr. Groom	Mr. Wienholt
Mr. Hay	Mr. Wise
Mr. Higgs	
Mr. Hunter	<i>Tellers :</i>
Mr. Jackson	
Mr. Jowett	Mr. Marr
Mr. Lamond	Mr. Story

Noes, 11.

Mr. Brennan	Mr. Scullin
Mr. Considine	Mr. Watkins
Mr. Cunningham	
Mr. Gabb	<i>Tellers :</i>
Mr. Lambert	
Mr. Mahony	Mr. Anstey
Mr. Mathews	Mr. Parker Moloney

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

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Title—

Question—That the Title be the Title of the Bill—put.

The Committee divided—

Ayes, 33.		Noes, 11.	
Mr. Atkinson	Mr. Lister	Mr. Anstey	Mr. Scullin
Mr. Bamford	Mr. Mackay	Mr. Brennan	Mr. Watkins
Mr. Bell	Mr. Marks	Mr. Considine	
Mr. Blundell	Mr. Maxwell	Mr. Cunningham	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. Bruce	Mr. McWilliams	Mr. Lambert	
Mr. Donald Cameron	Mr. Poynton	Mr. Mahony	Mr. Gabb
Mr. Robert Cook	Mr. Pratten	Mr. Mathews	Mr. Parker Moloney
Mr. Corser	Mr. Prowse		
Mr. Fleming	Mr. Rodgers		
Mr. R. W. Foster	Sir Granville Ryrie		
Mr. Greene	Mr. Laird Smith		
Mr. Groom	Mr. Wienholt		
Mr. Hay	Mr. Wise		
Mr. Higgs			
Mr. Hunter	<i>Tellers:</i>		
Mr. Jackson			
Mr. Jowett	Mr. Marr		
Mr. Lamond	Mr. Story		

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Question—That the Bill be reported without amendment—put.

The Committee divided—

Ayes, 33.		Noes, 11.	
Mr. Atkinson	Mr. Lister	Mr. Anstey	Mr. Parker Moloney
Mr. Bamford	Mr. Mackay	Mr. Considine	Mr. Watkins
Mr. Bell	Mr. Marks	Mr. Cunningham	
Mr. Blundell	Mr. Maxwell	Mr. Gabb	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. Bruce	Mr. McWilliams	Mr. Lambert	
Mr. Donald Cameron	Mr. Poynton	Mr. Mahony	Mr. Brennan
Mr. Robert Cook	Mr. Pratten	Mr. Mathews	Mr. Scullin
Mr. Corser	Mr. Prowse		
Mr. Fleming	Mr. Rodgers		
Mr. R. W. Foster	Sir Granville Ryrie		
Mr. Greene	Mr. Laird Smith		
Mr. Groom	Mr. Wienholt		
Mr. Hay	Mr. Wise		
Mr. Higgs			
Mr. Hunter	<i>Tellers:</i>		
Mr. Jackson			
Mr. Jowett	Mr. Marr		
Mr. Lamond	Mr. Story		

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

The House resumed ; Mr. Chanter reported accordingly.

Mr. Bruce moved, That the Report be adopted.

Question—put.

The House divided—

Ayes, 34.		Noes, 10.	
Mr. Atkinson	Mr. Lamond	Mr. Anstey	Mr. Scullin
Mr. Bamford	Mr. Lister	Mr. Brennan	Mr. Watkins
Mr. Bell	Mr. Mackay	Mr. Gabb	
Mr. Blundell	Mr. Marks	Mr. Lambert	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. Bruce	Mr. Maxwell	Mr. Mathews	Mr. Cunningham
Mr. Donald Cameron	Mr. McWilliams	Mr. Parker Moloney	Mr. Mahony
Mr. Chanter	Mr. Poynton		
Mr. Robert Cook	Mr. Pratten		
Mr. Corser	Mr. Prowse		
Mr. Fleming	Mr. Rodgers		
Mr. R. W. Foster	Sir Granville Ryrie		
Mr. Greene	Mr. Laird Smith		
Mr. Groom	Mr. Wienholt		
Mr. Hay	Mr. Wise		
Mr. Higgs			
Mr. Hunter	<i>Tellers:</i>		
Mr. Jackson	Mr. Marr		
Mr. Jowett	Mr. Story		

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

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Mr. Bruce 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.

Mr. Bruce moved, That the Bill be now read a third time.

Mr. Anstey addressing the House—

*Closure*—Mr. Greene moved, That the question be now put.

Question—That the question be now put—put.

The House divided—

Ayes, 32.

Mr. Atkinson	Mr. Lamond
Mr. Bamford	Mr. Lister
Mr. Bell	Mr. Mackay
Mr. Blundell	Mr. Marks
Mr. Bruce	Mr. Maxwell
Mr. Donald Cameron	Mr. Poynton
Mr. Chanter	Mr. Pratten
Mr. Corser	Mr. Prowse
Mr. Fleming	Mr. Rodgers
Mr. R. W. Foster	Sir Granville Ryrie
Mr. Greene	Mr. Laird Smith
Mr. Groom	Mr. Wienholt
Mr. Hay	Mr. Wise
Mr. Higgs	
Mr. Hunter	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. Jackson	Mr. Marr
Mr. Jowett	Mr. Story

Noes, 11.

Mr. Anstey	Mr. Scullin
Mr. Considine	Mr. Watkins
Mr. Cunningham	
Mr. Lambert	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. Mahony	
Mr. Mathews	Mr. Brennan
Mr. Parker Moloney	Mr. Gabb

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

And the question being accordingly put—That the Bill be now read a third time—

The House divided—

Ayes, 33.

Mr. Atkinson	Mr. Lister
Mr. Bamford	Mr. Mackay
Mr. Bell	Mr. Marks
Mr. Blundell	Mr. Maxwell
Mr. Bruce	Mr. McWilliams
Mr. Donald Cameron	Mr. Poynton
Mr. Chanter	Mr. Pratten
Mr. Corser	Mr. Prowse
Mr. Fleming	Mr. Rodgers
Mr. R. W. Foster	Sir Granville Ryrie
Mr. Greene	Mr. Laird Smith
Mr. Groom	Mr. Wienholt
Mr. Hay	Mr. Wise
Mr. Higgs	
Mr. Hunter	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. Jackson	
Mr. Jowett	Mr. Marr
Mr. Lamond	Mr. Story

Noes, 11.

Mr. Anstey	Mr. Scullin
Mr. Considine	Mr. Watkins
Mr. Gabb	
Mr. Lambert	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. Mahony	
Mr. Mathews	Mr. Brennan
Mr. Parker Moloney	Mr. Cunningham

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a third time.

7. SUPERANNUATION 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.

Mr. Considine 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 the next sitting.

8. MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.—TASMANIA GRANT BILL (1922).—Mr. Speaker announced the receipt of the following Message from the Senate:—

MR. SPEAKER,

*Message No. 23.*

The Senate returns to the House of Representatives the Bill for "*An Act to grant and apply out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund a sum for the purposes of Financial Assistance to the State of Tasmania,*" to which it has agreed without amendment.

THOS. GIVENS,  
President.

The Senate,  
Melbourne, 21st September, 1922.

9. MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.—WAR PENSIONS APPROPRIATION BILL (1922) [£10,000,000].—Mr. Speaker announced the receipt of the following Message from the Senate:—

MR. SPEAKER,

*Message No. 24.*

The Senate returns to the House of Representatives the Bill for "*An Act to grant and apply out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund a sum for War Pensions,*" to which it has agreed without amendment.

THOS. GIVENS,  
President.

The Senate,  
Melbourne, 21st September, 1922.

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

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

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MEMBERS PRESENT.—All Members were present (at some time during the sitting) except—Mr. Bayley, Mr. Blakeley, Mr. J. H. Catts, Mr. Austin Chapman, Mr. Fenton, Mr. Foley, Mr. Fowler, Mr. Gibson, Mr. Gregory, Mr. Hill, Mr. Lavelle\*, Mr. Lazzarini, Mr. Makin, Mr. Nicholls, Mr. Stewart, and Mr. West.

\* On leave.

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