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THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA,
CANBERRA.

No. 122.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

THURSDAY, 10TH NOVEMBER, 1927.

1. The House met, at eleven o'clock a.m., pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker (the Honorable Sir Littleton Groom) took the Chair, and read Prayers.
2. WANT OF CONFIDENCE IN THE GOVERNMENT.—The Order of the Day having been read for the resumption of the debate on the following motion of Mr. Charlton :—That, owing to its attitude towards the Commonwealth Shipping Line, the Government has forfeited the confidence of this House. The surrender of Government ownership of the Commonwealth Line will act to the serious detriment of Australian producers, and will subject the whole community to exploitation by the shipping combine against which the Government Line is at present the only effective safeguard—
Debate resumed.

The House continuing to sit until after midnight—

FRIDAY, 11TH NOVEMBER, 1927.

Debate continued.

Suspension of Sitting (Armistice Day).—At twenty minutes to eleven o'clock a.m., Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Resumption of Sitting.—At fifteen minutes past eleven o'clock a.m., Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

Debate resumed.

Question—put.

The House divided—

Ayes, 23.		Noes, 40.	
Mr. Anstey	Mr. E. C. Riley	Mr. Aubrey Abbott	Mr. Hurry
Mr. Blakeley	Mr. Scullin	Mr. Atkinson	Sir Elliot Johnson
Mr. Brennan	Mr. Stewart	Mr. Bayley	Mr. Killen
Mr. Charlton	Mr. Theodore	Mr. Bowden	Mr. Latham
Mr. Coleman	Mr. Watkins	Mr. Bruce	Mr. Lister
Mr. Forde	Mr. William Watson	Mr. Donald Cameron	Mr. Mackay
Mr. Lacey	Mr. West	Mr. Malcolm Cameron	Mr. Marr
Mr. Lambert	Mr. Yates	Mr. Robert Cook	Mr. Maxwell
Mr. Lazzarini		Mr. Corser	Mr. Nott
Mr. W. Maloney		Mr. Duncan-Hughes	Mr. Earle, Page
Mr. Mathews	<i>Tellers:</i>	Mr. R. W. Foster	Mr. Parkhill
Mr. McGrath	Mr. Fenton	Mr. Grosvenor Francis	Mr. Thomas Paterson
Mr. Edward Riley	Mr. Makin	Mr. Josiah Francis	Mr. Perkins
		Mr. Gardner	Mr. Pratten
		Sir John Gellibrand	Mr. Prowse
		Mr. Gibson	Mr. Seabrook
		Mr. Roland Green	Mr. Thompson
		Mr. Gregory	
		Mr. Gullett	<i>Tellers:</i>
		Mr. Hill	Mr. Hunter
		Sir Neville Howse	Mr. Manning

And so it was negatived.

10th and 11th November, 1927.

3. PRINTING COMMITTEE—FOURTH REPORT FROM.—Mr. Corser, Chairman, brought up the Fourth Report from the Printing Committee (sitting in conference with the Printing Committee of the Senate).

The Report was read by the Clerk as follows :—

REPORT.

The Printing Committee have the honour to report that they have met in Conference with the Printing Committee of the Senate.

The Joint Committee, having considered the Petition and Papers presented to Parliament since the last meeting of the Committee, recommend that the following be printed :—

†Petition from 7,113 residents of Australia, stating that the Aboriginal races of Australia are dying out, and praying that a model Aboriginal State be established.

*Boards, Commissions, Tribunals, &c.—Statement showing those brought into operation by the Commonwealth Government during 1924–25 and 1925–26, and annual cost of each Board, &c.

British Phosphate Commission—Reports and Accounts for year ended—
30th June, 1925.
30th June, 1926.

†Canberra—Report, dated 23rd April, 1926, by a Committee appointed to report on the provision of University facilities at Canberra.

Contract Immigrants Act—Return for 1926.

Immigration Act—Return for 1926.

International Labour Organization of the League of Nations—Eighth and Ninth Sessions, held at Geneva from 26th May to 5th June, and from 5th June to 24th June, 1926, respectively—

Report of the Australian Government Delegate.

Report of the Australian Employers' Delegate.

Report of the Australian Workers' Delegate.

*Migration and Development Commission—Statement showing persons employed, including experts and advisers, and cost of Commission to end of August, 1927.

Canned Fruit Bounty Act—Return for 1926–27.

Cotton Bounty Act—Return for 1926–27.

Iron and Steel Products Bounty Act—Return for 1926–27.

Papua and New Guinea Bounties Act—Return for 1926–27.

Power Alcohol Bounty Act—Return for 1926–27.

Shale Oil Bounty Act—Return for 1926–27.

Sulphur Bounty Act—Return for 1926–27.

Wine Export Bounty Act—Return for 1926–27.

* Presented to Senate only. † Presented to House of Representatives only.

Senate Committee Room,
4th November, 1927.

E. B. C. CORSER,
Chairman.

Mr. Corser moved, That the Report be agreed to.

Question—put and passed.

4. PAPER.—The following Paper was presented, pursuant to Statute—

Papua Act—Infirm and Destitute Natives Account—Statement of Transactions of Trustees, 1926–27.

5. OFFICERS OF THE HOUSE—CHANGES OF STAFF.—Mr. Speaker announced that, owing to the death of the Clerk of the House, the following changes had been made in regard to the officers in attendance in the Chamber :—

Mr. Parkes to be Clerk of the House.

Mr. Green to be Clerk-Assistant.

Mr. Tregear to be Second Clerk-Assistant.

Mr. Chubb to be Serjeant-at-Arms.

6. ADJOURNMENT.—Mr. Bruce (Prime Minister) moved, That the House do now adjourn.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and passed.

And then the House, at seventeen minutes to four o'clock p.m., adjourned until Tuesday next at three o'clock p.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT.—All Members were present (at some time during the sitting) except—
Mr. Bell, Mr. Albert Green, Mr. Jackson, Mr. Ley, Mr. Mann, Mr. Marks, Mr. Parker Moloney,
Mr. Parsons, and Mr. Rodgers.

E. W. PARKES,
Clerk of the House of Representatives.