

1929-30.

THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA,
CANBERRA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

No. 95.

FRIDAY, 14TH NOVEMBER, 1930.

1. The House met, at eleven o'clock a.m., pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker (the Honorable Norman J. O. Makin) took the Chair, and offered Prayers.
2. ADJOURNMENT-MOTION FOR PURPOSE OF DISCUSSION.—Mr. Earle Page 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 unfair discrimination by executive action of the Customs Department against British firms desiring to establish themselves in Australia, in favour of American".
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. Earle Page moved, That the House do now adjourn.
Debate ensued.
It being two hours after the time fixed for the meeting of the House, the debate was interrupted in accordance with Standing Order No. 119, and the Orders of the Day were called on.
3. SUSPENSION OF STANDING ORDERS.—Mr. Fenton (Acting Prime Minister) moved, by leave, That the Standing Orders be suspended to enable Questions upon Notice to be answered.
Question—put and passed.
4. PAPERS.—The following Papers were presented, pursuant to Statute—
River Murray Waters Act—River Murray Commission—Report for the year 1929-30; together with Statements showing gaugings made at Gauging Stations on, and quantities of water diverted from, the River Murray and tributaries.
Ordered—That the Report be printed.
Northern Australia Act—
Central Australia—
Ordinances of 1930—
No. 13—Stock Diseases.
No. 14—Legal Practitioners (Trust Accounts).
Health Ordinances—Regulations Amended, &c.—
Building.
Infectious Diseases.
Wells and Water.
North Australia—
Ordinances of 1930—
No. 15—Stock Diseases.
No. 16—Legal Practitioners (Trust Accounts).
Aboriginals Ordinance—Apprentices (half-castes)—Regulations Amended.

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5. FINANCIAL STATEMENT BY ACTING TREASURER—MOTION FOR PRINTING PAPER.—The Order of the Day having been read for the resumption of the debate on the following motion of Mr. Lyons (Acting Treasurer), That the Paper [*presented on the 5th instant*], viz. :—

Financial Statement by the Honorable J. A. Lyons, Postmaster-General and Acting Treasurer—be printed, *and upon the amendment moved thereto by Mr. Latham, viz. :—*That all the words after “That” be omitted and the following words be inserted in place thereof :—“the Government should introduce proposals more closely in accord with the agreement made by the Prime Minister with the Premiers of the States on 21st August last at Melbourne”—

Debate continued.

Mr. Cusack addressing the House and not having concluded his speech—the House ordered that the honorable Member have leave to continue his speech when the debate is resumed.

Ordered—That the debate be now adjourned, and that the resumption of the debate be made an Order of the Day for the next sitting.

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

Debate ensued.

Question—put and passed.

And then the House, at four minutes past 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. Brennan, Mr. Donald Cameron, Mr. Coleman, Mr. Crouch, Mr. Gibbons, Mr. Albert Green, Mr. Guy, Mr. James, Mr. McGrath, Mr. McNeill, Mr. Parker Moloney, Mr. Scullin, Mr. Watkins, and Mr. West.

E. W. PARKES,

Clerk of the House of Representatives.