THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA, CANBERRA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

HOUSE REPRESENTATIVES. OF

No. 137.

TUESDAY, 5TH MAY, 1931.

- 1. The House met, at three o'clock p.m., pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker (the Honorable Norman J. O. Makin) took the Chair, and offered Prayers.
- . 2. Papers.—The following Papers were presented, pursuant to Statute—

Air Navigation Act—Regulations Amended—Statutory Rules 1931, No. 41.

Audit Act—Regulations Amended—Statutory Rules 1931, No. 39.

Seat of Government Acceptance Act and Seat of Government (Administration) Act-

Ordinance of 1931—No. 6—Advisory Council.

Advisory Council Ordinance—Regulations Amended.

3. NORTHERN TERRITORY (ADMINISTRATION) BILL (1930)—REPORT FROM CONFERENCE.—Mr. Blakeley (Minister for Home Affairs) reported from the Conference with the Managers for the Senate on the Amendments insisted on by the Senate. The Report was read, as follows :-

REPORT.

The Managers for the House of Representatives have met the Managers for the Senate on the subject matter of the Amendments made and insisted on by the Senate in the Northern Territory (Administration) Bill, and to which the House insisted on disagreeing.

The Managers of the respective Houses have, after conferring, mutually agreed to deal with

such Amendments as follows :-

That Amendments Nos. 1, 3, 4 and 5 made by the Senate be not agreed to.

That Amendment No. 2 made by the Senate be not agreed to, but that certain Amendments be made in proposed sections 4B, 4k and 4L.

Ordered—That the Report be taken into consideration at the next sitting.

4. Ways and Means [Customs Tariff Amendment (No. 9) and Excise Tariff Amendment (No. 9)].— The House, according to order, resolved itself into the Committee of Ways and Means.

(In the Committee.)

[See proposed Resolutions for Customs and Excise Tariff Amendment of the 26th March, 1931 (pages 508-569).1

General debate resumed on the first Item of the Customs Tariff.

Progress to be reported, and leave asked to sit again.

The House resumed; Mr. McGrath reported accordingly.

Resolved—That the House will, at the next sitting, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

5. Adjournment.—Mr. Scullin (Prime Minister) moved, That the House do now adjourn. Debate ensued.

Question—put and passed.

And then the House, at twenty-five minutes to 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. Anstey, Mr. Bell, Mr. Chifley, Mr. Culley, Mr. Frost, Mr. Gabb, Mr. Guy, Mr. Hill, Mr. Hughes, Mr. Hunter, Mr. James, Mr. Lazzarini, Mr. Lyons, Mr. W. Maloney, Mr. Mathews, Mr. Price, and Mr. Theodore.

E. W. PARKES,

Clerk of the House of Representatives.