THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA, CANBERRA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

HOUSE REPRESENTATIVES OF

No. 7.

WEDNESDAY, 2ND MARCH, 1932.

- 1. The House met, at three o'clock p.m., pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker (the Honorable G. H. Mackay) took the Chair, and read Prayers.
- 2. Papers. The following Papers were presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor-General-Tariff Board-Reports and Recommendations-

Arsenic Pentoxide.

Chain and Chains.

Electric Heating and Cooking Appliances.

Eyelets.

Glass, viz.: -Figured Rolled, Cathedral, Milled Rolled, Rough Cast, Wired Cast, Opalescent and Opal Sheet.

Household Clothes Wringers.

Spray Pumps, Garden Syringes and Lawn Sprinklers. Trochus and Pearl Buttons.

Waterproofed Cloth prepared with rubber, oil, celluloid or nitro-cellulose (including insulating tape for electrical purposes).

Wheels and Axles for Railways and Tramways. Severally ordered to lie on the Table, and to be printed.

Tariff Board -- Reports and Recommendations-

Blacking; Dressings and Polishes for Boots, Shoes and other articles of attire; Dressings, Inks, Stains, Pastes and Polishes for Leather; Furniture Oils, Pastes and Polishes; Floor Polishes; Bronzing and Metal Liquids; Knife, Metal and Stove Polishes.

Broom Stocks and Brushmakers' Woodware and Turnery.

Confectionery

Gas Filled Tubes for luminous signs and other luminous displays.

Hat Linings.

Locomotives and power-driven Road Rollers including Scarifier Attachments.

Material for the manufacture of Records for Gramaphones, Phonographs and other talking machines; Stamping Matrices.

Printers' Type.

Printing and Stencilling Inks.

Tobacco.

Toilet Combs.

Hume Reservoir—Report of the Committee of Inquiry on Construction Costs, Land Resumptions, Road and Railway Deviations and Programme of Works.

Severally ordered to lie on the Table.

The following Papers were presented, pursuant to Statute-

Defence Act—Regulations Amended—Statutory Rules 1932, No. 22.

Navigation Act—Regulations Amended—Statutory Rules 1932, Nos. 14, 20.

New Guinea Act-

Ordinances of 1931-

No. 33—Loan. No. 34—Supply (No. 4) 1931–32.

Ordinances of 1932-

No. 1-Superannuation.

No. 2-Supply (No. 5) 1931-32.

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Northern Territory Acceptance Act and Northern Territory (Administration) Act-Ordinance of 1932-

No. 1—Dentists Registration. No. 2—Administration and Probate.

No. 3— Dingo Destruction.

No. 4—Early Closing. No. 5— Northern Territory Government.

No. 6--Stock Diseases.

No. 7—Land Tax.
No. 8—Scaffolding Inspection.
No. 9—Marriage.

Northern Territory Representation Act and Commonwealth Electoral Act—Regulations Amended-Statutory Rules 1932, No. 21.

Superannuation Act—Ninth Annual Report of the Superannuation Board, 1930-31.

3. Submarine M2 Disaster—Resolution of Sympathy—Acknowledgment.—Mr. Speaker informed the House that he had received the following acknowledgment from the Prime Minister of Great Britain of the Resolution of Sympathy agreed to on the 17th ultimo:-

Your telegram of 19th February has been communicated to the Prime Minister, who wishes to express, on behalf of His Majesty's Government in the United Kingdom and of the relatives of those lost in the disaster to the Submarine M2, the deepest appreciation of the Resolution passed by the Commonwealth House of Representatives.

- 4. THE LATE SENATOR THE HONORABLE J. E. OGDEN .- Mr. Speaker informed the House that he had received from Mrs. Ogden a letter thanking the House for its Resolution of Sympathy.
- 5. THE LATE HONORABLE R. W. FOSTER.—Mr. Speaker informed the House that he had received from Miss Foster a letter thanking the House for its Resolution of Sympathy.
- 6. FINANCIAL AGREEMENT ENFORCEMENT 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.

Question—put.

The House divided (The Speaker, Mr. Mackay, in the Chair)-

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Ayes	, 48.	Noes, 16.
Mr. Aubrey Abbott	Mr. John Lawson	Mr. Baker
	Mr. Lyons	Mr. Beasley
Mr. Blacklow	Mr. Marr	Mr. Forde
Mr. Bruce	Mr. Maxwell	Mr. Gander
Mr. Malcolm Cameron	Mr. McBride	Mr. Albert Green
Mı. Casey	Mr. McClelland	Mr. Holloway
Mr. Bernard Corser	Mr. McGrath	Mr. James
Mr. Dein	Mr. McNicoll	Mr. George Lawson
Mr. Dennis	Mr. Nairn	Mr. W. Maloney
Mr. Fenton	Mr. Nock	Mr. Martens
Mr. Josiah Francis	Mr. Earle Page	Mr. Riordan
Mr. Gabb	Mr. Parkhill	Mr. Rosevear
Mr. Gibson	Mr. Thomas Paterson	Mr. Scullin
Mr. Roland Green	Mr. Price	Mr. Watkins
Mr. Gregory	Mr. Prowse	
Sir Littleton Groom	Mr. Scholfield	Tellers:
Mr. Gullett	Mr. Stacey	Mr. E. C. Riley
Mr. E. F. Harrison	Mr. Frederick Stewart	Mr. Ward
Mr. E. J. Harrison	Mr. Thompson	•
Mr. Hawker	Mr. William Watson	
Mr. Hughes	Mr. White	
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Mr. Hutchinson	Tellers:	
Mr. Jennings	Mr. Gardner	
Mr. Lane	Mr. Hunter	ı

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.)

Clauses 1 to 3 postponed, after debate, until after clause 4. Clause 4 debated and omitted.

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

The House resumed; Mr. Bell reported accordingly. Resolved—That the House will, at the next sitting, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

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7. FINANCIAL AGREEMENTS (COMMONWEALTH LIABILITY) BILL.—Mr. Lyons (Prime Minister) moved, by leave, That he have leave to bring in a Bill for an Act to resolve doubts which have arisen as to the liability of the Commonwealth to bondholders in certain debts of the States taken over by the Commonwealth, and for other purposes.

Question—put and passed.

Mr. Lyons then brought up the Bill accordingly, and moved, That it be now read a first time. Question—put and passed.—Bill read a first time. Ordered—That the second reading be made an Order of the Day for the next sitting.

8. TEMPORARY CHAIRMEN OF COMMITTEES .- The following Warrant, nominating Temporary Chairmen of Committees, pursuant to Standing Order No. 25, was laid upon the Table by Mr. Speaker :-

The Parliament of the Commonwealth.

House of Representatives.

Pursuant to the provisions of the Standing Order numbered 25, I do hereby nominate-

Malcolm Duncan Cameron, Esquire,

James Allan Guy, Esquire,

George William Martens, Ésquire,

John Henry Prowse, Esquire,

David Riordan, Esquire, Victor Charles Thompson, Esquire,

Thomas Walter White, Esquire, D.F.C., V.D., and

Edward John Ward, Esquire,

to act as Temporary Chairmen of Committees when requested so to do by the Chairman of Committees.

Given under my hand this second day of March, One thousand nine hundred and thirty-two.

Speaker.

9. ADJOURNMENT.-Mr. Lyons (Prime Minister) moved, That the House do now adjourn. Debate ensued.

Question-put and passed.

And then the House, at nineteen 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. Thomas Collins, Mr. Guy, Mr. Hill, Mr. Holman, Mr. Latham, Mr. Makin, and Mr. Thorby.

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