1932.

THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA, CANBERRA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

HOUSE REPRESENTATIVES. OF

No. 38.

FRIDAY, 9TH SEPTEMBER, 1932.

- 1. The House met, at half-past ten o'clock a.m., pursuant to adjournment.-Mr. Speaker (the Honorable G. H. Mackay) took the Chair, and read Prayers.
- 2. ALTERATION OF DAY OF NEXT MEETING .- Mr. Latham (Attorney-General) moved, That the House, at its rising, adjourn until Wednesday next at three o'clock p.m. Question-put and passed.
- 3. JURY EXEMPTION BILL (1932).—Mr. Latham (Attorney-General), pursuant to leave given on the 1st instant, brought up a Bill intituled "A Bill for an Act to amend the 'Jury Exemption Act 1905-1922'", 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.

4. SUPPLY ESTIMATES-ADDITIONS, NEW WORKS, BUILDINGS, ETC., 1932-33.-The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.

(In the Committee.)

Question again proposed (see page 279), That the first item in the Estimates, under Division I .--The Parliament-namely-

The President ...

£1.300

be agreed to.

Ordered, on the motion of Mr. Latham (Attorney-General), after debate-That the consideration of the General Estimates be postponed until after the consideration of Estimates for Additions, New Works, Buildings, &c.

Additions, New Works, Buildings, etc., 1932-33.

- Vote-" The Department of the Interior, £175,000 "-debated and agreed to.
- Vote—"The Department of Defence, £41,592"—debated and agreed to. Vote—"The Department of Health, £1,000"—debated and agreed to. Vote—"Repatriation Department, £3,000"—agreed to.

- Vote—" The Department of Commerce, £10,908 "—agreed to. Vote—" Commonwealth Railways, £75,000 "—agreed to.
- Vote--" Postmaster-General's Department, £580,000 "--debated and agreed to.
- Vote--- "Northern Territory, £16,000 "-agreed to.
- Vote-" Federal Capital Territory, £60,500 "-debated-
- Mr. Gregory moved, as an amendment, That Item No. 3 of Subdivision No. 1 of Division No. 18, viz. :-Forestry, £6,000, be omitted.
- Debate continued.

Amendment withdrawn, by leave.

Vote agreed to.

Mr. Latham (Attorney-General) moved, That there be granted to His Majesty to the service of the year 1932-33, for the purposes of Additions, New Works, Buildings, &c., a sum not exceeding £963,000.

Question-put and passed.

Resolution 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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5. SUSPENSION OF STANDING ORDERS .- Mr. Latham (Attorney-General) moved, pursuant to contingent notice, That the Standing Orders be suspended to enable the remaining stages to be passed without delay.

Question—put and passed.

- 6. SUPPLY RESOLUTION.—The Resolution reported from the Committee of Supply was read, and, on the motion of Mr. Latham (Attorney-General), was adopted by the House.
- 7. WAYS AND MEANS RESOLUTION-ESTIMATES-Additions, New Works, Buildings, etc., 1932-33.-The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Ways and Means.

(In the Committee.)

Additions, New Works, Buildings, etc., 1932-33.

Mr. Latham (Attorney-General) moved, That, towards making good the Supply granted to His Majesty for Additions, New Works, Buildings, &c., for the year 1932-33, there be granted out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund a sum not exceeding £963,000. Question—put and passed.

Resolution 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.

- The Resolution reported from the Committee was read, and, on the motion of Mr. Latham, was adopted by the House.
- Ordered-That Mr. Latham and Mr. Josiah Francis do prepare and bring in a Bill to carry out the foregoing Resolution.
- 8. APPROPRIATION (WORKS AND BUILDINGS) BILL 1932-33.—Mr. Latham (Attorney-General) then brought up a Bill intituled "A Bill for an Act to grant and apply out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund a sum for the service of the year ending the thirtieth day of June One thousand nine hundred and thirty-three, for the purposes of Additions, New Works, Buildings, &c., and to appropriate such sum," and moved, That it be now read a first time.

Question—put and passed.—Bill read a first time. Mr. Latham moved, That the Bill be now read a second time.

Question-put and passed.-Bill read a second time.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole.

(In the Committee.)

Bill, by leave, taken as a whole, and agreed to.

Bill to be reported without amendment.

The House resumed ; Mr. Bell reported accordingly. On the motion of Mr. Latham, the House adopted the Report, and the Bill was read a third time.

9. MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.—CONCILIATION AND ARBITRATION BILL (1932).—Mr. Speaker announced the receipt of the following Message from the Senate :--

MR. SPEAKER.

Message No. 41.

President

The Senate has passed a Bill for "An Act to amend the 'Commonwealth Conciliation and Arbitration Act 1904-1930'," and transmits the same to the House of Representatives for its concurrence. P. J. LYNCH,

The Senate,

Canberra, 8th September, 1932.

Mr. Latham (Attorney-General) moved, That the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message 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.

10. MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE .- NAURU ISLAND AGREEMENT BILL (1932) .- Mr. Speaker announced the receipt of the following Message from the Senate :---

MR. SPEAKER,

Message No. 42.

The Senate has passed a Bill for "An Act to approve an Agreement made between His Majesty's Government in London, His Majesty's Government of the Commonwealth of Australia, and His Majesty's Government of the Dominion of New Zealand, in relation to the Island of Nauru," and transmits the same to the House of Representatives for its concurrence.

P. J. LYNCH, President.

The Senate, Canberra, 8th September, 1932.

Mr. Latham (Attorney-General) moved, That the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message 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.

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11. PAPERS.—The following Papers were presented, pursuant to Statute-

- Arbitration (Public Service) Act-Determinations by the Arbitrator, &c.-
 - No. 9 of 1932—Amalgamated Postal Workers' Union of Australia ; Australian Third Division Telegraphists and Postal Clerks' Union ; Commonwealth Postmasters' Association; Fourth Division Postmasters, Postal Clerks and Telegraphists' Union; and Federated Public Service Assistants' Association of Australia.
 - No. 10 of 1932-Postal Overseers' Union of Australia.
 - No. 11 of 1932-Fourth Division Postmasters, Postal Clerks and Telegraphists' Union.
 - No. 12 of 1932-Australian Third Division Telegraphists and Postal Clerks' Union.
 - No. 12 of 1932—Australian Third Division Telegraphics and Tosar Oraca Oraca No. 14 of 1932—Federated Public Service Assistants' Association of Australia. No. 16 of 1932—Amalgamated Postal Workers' Union of Australia. No. 17 of 1932—Commonwealth Public Service Clerical Association.
- 12. ADJOURNMENT.-Mr. Latham (Attorney-General) moved, That the House do now adjourn. Debate ensued.

Question-put and passed.

And then the House, at five o'clock p.m., adjourned until Wednesday next at three o'clock p.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT.—All Members were present (at some time during the sitting) except—Mr .Anstey, Mr. Bruce*, Mr. Gullett, Mr. Guy, Mr. Hawker, Mr. Hughes*, Mr. Lyons, Mr. McBride, Mr. McClelland, Mr. McGrath, Mr. McNicoll, Mr. Nock, Mr. Earle Page, Mr. Price, Mr. Scholfield, Mr. Thorby, Mr. Ward, and Mr. White.

* On leave.

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