1904.

THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

No. 10.

WEEKLY REPORT OF DIVISIONS IN COMMITTEE.

WEEK ENDED 4TH NOVEMBER, 1904.

WEDNESDAY, 2ND NOVEMBER, 1904. No. 19.—Committee of Supply—Estimates of Expenditure, 1904-5— IV.—THE DEPARTMENT OF HOME AFFAIRS. Division No. 19. ELECTORAL OFFICE. Subdivision No. 1.—SALARIES. Clerical Division. Chief Electoral Officer £300 . . 360 Senior Clerk 396 Clerks 300 Clerks Commonwealth Electoral Officer for the State of Tasmania, also acting as Public Works Officer and Deputy Public Service Inspector 520 185 Clerk to Commonwealth Electoral Officer, &c. (Tasmania) ... [£2,061]-(Minister for Home Affairs.) Amendment proposed—That the amount of £2,061 be reduced by £200. -(Mr. Page.)Question—That the amount proposed to be reduced be so reduced—put. The Committee divided-Noes, 29. Ayes, 5. Mr. Phillips, Mr. Crouch, Tellers.Mr. Bamford, Mr. McDonald, Mr. Brown, Mr. Poynton, Mr. R. Edwards, Mr. Carpenter, Mr. Reid, Mr. Webster, Mr. Page. Mr. Sydney Smith, Mr. Chanter, Mr. Joseph Cook, Mr. Storrer, Mr. David Thomson, Mr. Fowler, Mr. Dugald Thomson, Mr. Tudor, Mr. Frazer, Mr. Fuller, Sir George Turner, Mr. Higgins, Mr. Hutchison, Mr. Watson, Mr. Isaacs, Mr. Wilson.

Mr. Lee, Mr. Lonsdale,

Mr. Mahon, Mr. Mauger,

Mr. McLean,

.Tellers. Mr. Robinson,

Mr. Wilks.

And so it passed in the negative.

No. 20.—Committee of Supply—Estimates of Expenditure, 1904–5—continued—IV.—THE DEPARTMENT OF HOME AFFAIRS.

Division No. 20.

PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSIONER.

Subdivision No. 1.—SALARIES.

CENTRAL STAFF.

Clerical Division.

Secretary					• • •	••	• •	• •	£600
Registrar	• •	• • •	• •	• •	• •	••	• •	• •	[420]

—(Minister for Home Affairs.)

Amendment proposed—That the amount of £420 be reduced by £20.

-(Mr. Page.)

Question—That the amount proposed to be reduced be so reduced—put. The Committee divided—

Ayes,	6.	Noes,	Noes, 17.		
Mr. Crouch, Tellers. Mr. Page, Mr. Poynton, Mr. McDonald, Mr. David Thomson. Mr. Tudor.		Mr. Brown, Mr. Carpenter, Mr. Chanter, Mr. Joseph Cook, Mr. Frazer,	Mr. Storrer, Mr. Dugald Thomson, Sir George Turner, Mr. Watson, Mr. Wilson.		
•	•	Mr. Lee, Mr. Lonsdale Mr. McLean, Mr. Phillips, Mr. Sydney Smith,	Tellers. Mr. Robinson, Mr. Wilks.		

[From the Report of the Tellers it appeared that a Quorum of Members was not present.]

THURSDAY, 3RD NOVEMBER, 1904.

No. 21.—Papua (British New Guinea) Bill—Postponed Clause 28—

28.—(1) There shall be a Legislative Council for the Territory.

(2) The Legislative Council shall consist of the Lieutenant-Governor and of the members of the Executive Council, together with such non-official members as [the Governor-General appoints under the Seal of the Commonwealth, or as the Lieutenant-Governor, in pursuance of instructions from the Governor-General, appoints under the Public Seal of the Territory.]

-(Minister for External 'Affairs.)

Amendment proposed—That the words "the Governor-General appoints under the Seal of the Commonwealth, or as the Lieutenant-Governor, in pursuance of instructions from the Governor-General, appoints under the Public Seal of the Territory" be omitted with a view to the insertion of the words "may be elected at any election by adult suffrage of the white resident population" in place thereof.

-(Mr. McDonald).

Question—That the words proposed to be omitted stand part of the clause—put. The Committee divided—

Ayes, 25.

Noes, 22.

Mr. Joseph Cook,	Mr. Reid,	Mr. Brown,	Mr. McDonald,
Mr. Deakin,	Mr. Skene,	Mr. Carpenter,	Mr. Page,
Mr. R. Edwards,	Mr. Sydney Smith,	Mr. Chanter,	Mr. Poynton,
Sir John Forrest,	Mr. Storrer,	Mr. Crouch,	Mr. Thomas,
Mr. Gibb.	Mr. Dugald Thomson,	Mr. Fisher,	Mr. David Thomson,
Mr. Harper.	Sir George Turner,	Mr. Fowler,	Mr. Watkins,
Mr. Higgins,	Mr. Wilkinson,	Mr. Frazer,	Mr. Watson,
Mr. Johnson,	Mr. Wilks,	Mr. Hutchison.	Mr. Webster.
Mr. Knox,	Mr. Wilson.	Mr. Isaacs,	
Mr. Lee,		Mr. Mahon,	Tellers.
Mr. Lonsdale.	Tellers.	Mr. Maloney,	Mr. Chapman,
Mr. McCay;	Mr. Fuller,	Mr. Mauger,	Mr. Tudor.
Mr. McLean,	Mr. Robinson.		
Mr. Phillips,		, [

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

No. 22.—Papua (British New Guinea) Bill—(continued)—Postponed Clause 28—(continued)—
28. * * * * * * * *

(3) So long as the white resident population is less than two thousand the number of non-official members shall be [three], but when the white resident population is two thousand or more an additional non-official member shall be appointed for each one thousand of such population in excess of one thousand.

—(Minister for External Affairs.)

Amendment proposed—That the word "three" be omitted with a view to the insertion of the word "six" in place thereof.

-(Mr. Webster.)

Question—That the word proposed to be omitted stand part of the clause—put. The Committee divided—

Ayes, 22.

Noes, 20.

Mr. Joseph Cook,	Mr. Phillips,	Mr. Brown,	Mr. Maloney,
Mr. Deakin,	Mr. Reid,	Mr. Carpenter,	Mr. McDonald,
Mr. R. Edwards,	Mr. Sydney Smith,	Mr. Chanter,	Mr. Page,
Sir John Forrest,	Mr. Storrer,	Mr. Crouch,	Mr. Poynton,
Mr. Gibb,	Mr. Dugald Thomson,	Mr. Fisher,	Mr. Thomas,
Mr. Harper,	Sir George Turner,	Mr. Fowler,	Mr. David Thomson,
Mr. Johnson,	Mr. Wilks,	Mr. Frazer,	Mr. Webster.
Mr. Knox,	Mr. Wilson.	Mr. Higgins,	
Mr. Lee,		Mr. Hutchison,	Tellers.
Mr. Lonsdale,	$Tellers.$	Mr. Isaacs,	Mr. Mauger,
Mr. McCay,	Mr. Fuller,	Mr. Mahon,	Mr. Tudor.
Mr. McLean.	Mr. Robinson.		

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.