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WEEKLY REPORT OF DIVISIONS IN COMMITTEE.

WEEK ENDED 17TH AUGUST, 1906.

WEDNESDAY, 15TH AUGUST, 1906.

No. 17.—*Tariff Resolutions*.—Committee of Ways and Means.

IMPORT DUTIES ON SPIRITS.

DIVISION I.—ITEM 2.—That in lieu of the following duties of Customs:—

- (a) Spirits and spirituous compounds, n.e.i. when not exceeding the strength of proof per gallon 14s.
 (b) Spirits when exceeding the strength of proof per proof gallon 14s.

imposed by the Customs Tariff 1902, duties of Customs shall from the 2nd day of August, 1906, at 4.30 p.m. Victorian time, be imposed as follows:—

Dutiable Goods.	Duties.
SPIRITS— (a) Spirits,† and spirituous compounds, n.e.i., when not exceeding the strength of proof and when more than two years shall have elapsed either from the date of their first shipment or from the date of their distillation per gallon * * * * *	15s. A

† Case spirits, in cases of 2 gallons and under, to be charged as 2 gallons; over 2 gallons, and not exceeding 3 gallons, as 3 gallons; over 3 gallons, and not exceeding 4 gallons, as 4 gallons; and so on.

—(The Minister for Trade and Customs.)

Further amendment proposed—That the following words and figures be added to the item :—“and on and after 16th August, 1906, 14s.”

—(*Sir John Quick.*)

Question—That the words and figures proposed to be added be so added—put.

The Committee divided—

Ayes, 34.		Noes 18	
Mr. Bamford,	Mr. Phillips,	Mr. Carpenter,	Mr. Salmon,
Sir Langdon Bonython,	Mr. Poynton,	Mr. Chapman,	Mr. Spence,
Mr. Brown,	Sir John Quick,	Mr. Hume Cook,	Mr. Storrer,
Mr. Cameron,	Mr. Robinson,	Mr. Deakin,	Mr. Tudor,
Mr. Joseph Cook,	Mr. Skene,	Sir John Forrest,	Mr. Watson,
Mr. R. Edwards,	Mr. Bruce Smith,	Mr. Groom,	Mr. Wilkinson.
Mr. Fowler,	Mr. Sydney Smith,	Mr. Hutchison,	
Mr. Frazer,	Mr. David	Mr. Isaacs,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Sir Philip Fysh,	Thomson,	Mr. Mauger,	Mr. Culpin,
Mr. Glynn,	Mr. Dugald	Mr. O'Malley,	Mr. Ronald.
Mr. Higgins,	Thomson,		
Mr. Hughes,	Sir George Turner,		
Mr. Kelly,	Mr. Webster,		
Mr. Kennedy,	Mr. Willis,		
Mr. Knox,	Mr. Wilson.		
Mr. Liddell,			
Mr. Mahon,	<i>Tellers.</i>		
Mr. McCay,	Mr. Conroy,		
Mr. McColl,	Mr. Johnson.		

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

THURSDAY, 16TH AUGUST, 1906.

No. 18.—*Tariff Resolutions (continued).*—Committee of Ways and Means.

EXCISE DUTIES ON SPIRITS.

That in lieu of the duties of Excise imposed by the Excise Tariff 1902 on Spirits, duties of Excise shall from the 2nd day of August, 1906, at 4.30 p.m. Victorian time, be imposed upon spirits as follows :—

EXCISE DUTIES.

Dutiable Goods.	Duties.
SPIRITS, viz.—	*
* * * * *	
[(2) Blended brandy distilled partly from grape wine and partly from other materials, containing not less than 25 per cent. of pure grape wine spirit (which has been separately distilled by a pot still or similar process at a strength not exceeding 35 per cent. over proof) the whole being matured by storage in wood for a period not less than two years and certified by an officer to be brandy so blended and matured	
per proof gallon	12s.]

—(*The Minister for Trade and Customs.*)

Motion made—That item (2) be omitted from the Resolutions.

—(*The Prime Minister.*)

Question—That the item proposed to be omitted stand part of the Resolutions—put.

The Committee divided—

Ayes, 13.		Noes, 37.	
Mr. Cameron,	Mr. Bruce Smith,	Mr. Bamford,	Mr. Maloney,
Mr. Conroy,	Mr. Storrer,	Mr. Batchelor,	Mr. McCay,
Mr. R. Edwards,	Mr. Wilkinson.	Mr. Brown,	Mr. McLean,
Mr. Fisher,		Mr. Carpenter,	Mr. McWilliams,
Mr. Fowler,		Mr. Chapman,	Mr. Phillips,
Mr. Fuller,	<i>Tellers.</i>	Mr. Joseph Cook,	Mr. Salmon,
Sir John Quick,	Mr. Culpin,	Mr. Crouch,	Mr. Skene,
Mr. Robinson,	Mr. Page.	Mr. Deakin,	Mr. Sydney Smith,
		Sir John Forrest,	Mr. Spence,
		Sir Philip Fysh,	Mr. Dugald
		Mr. Groom,	Thomson,
		Mr. Higgins,	Mr. Tudor,
		Mr. Hughes,	Mr. Watkins,
		Mr. Hutchison,	Mr. Watson,
		Mr. Isaacs,	Mr. Webster,
		Mr. Johnson,	Mr. Willis.
		Mr. Kennedy,	
		Mr. Knox,	<i>Tellers.</i>
		Mr. Liddell,	Mr. Hume Cook,
		Mr. Mahon,	Mr. Ronald.

And so it passed in the negative.

No. 19.—*Tariff Resolutions (continued)*.—Committee of Ways and Means.

EXCISE DUTIES ON SPIRITS.

That in lieu of the duties of Excise imposed by the Excise Tariff 1902 on Spirits, duties of Excise shall from the 2nd day of August, 1906, at 4.30 p.m. Victorian time, be imposed upon spirits as follows:—

EXCISE DUTIES.

Dutiable Goods.										Duties.
SPIRITS, viz.—										
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—(*The Minister for Trade and Customs.*)

Motion made—That the following item be inserted in the Resolutions:—

“(3) Blended spirits distilled partly from grape wine and partly from grain, and containing not less than 25 per cent. of pure grape wine spirit (which has been separately distilled by a pot still or similar process, at a strength not exceeding 40 per cent. over proof) the whole being matured by storage in wood for a period not less than two years and certified by an officer to be spirits so blended and matured—per proof gallon 12s., on and after 17th August, 1906.”

—(*The Prime Minister.*)

Question—That the item proposed to be inserted be so inserted—put.

The Committee divided—

Ayes, 26.		Noes, 14.	
Mr. Bamford,	Mr. McCay,	Mr. Brown,	Mr. Dugald Thomson,
Mr. Carpenter,	Mr. McLean,	Mr. Cameron,	Mr. Watson,
Mr. Chapman,	Mr. Phillips,	Mr. Joseph Cook,	Mr. Wilkinson,
Mr. Crouch,	Sir John Quick,	Mr. R. Edwards,	Mr. Willis.
Mr. Culpin,	Mr. Ronald,	Sir Philip Fysh,	
Mr. Deakin,	Mr. Salmon,	Mr. Liddell,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Sir John Forrest,	Mr. Skene,	Mr. McWilliams,	Mr. Fisher,
Mr. Fuller,	Mr. Spence,	Mr. Page,	Mr. Kelly.
Mr. Groom,	Mr. Storrer,		
Mr. Hutchison,	Mr. Tudor.		
Mr. Isaacs,			
Mr. Kennedy,	<i>Tellers.</i>		
Mr. Knox,	Mr. Batchelor,		
Mr. Mahon,	Mr. Hume Cook.		

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.