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THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH.

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VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

THURSDAY, 10TH OCTOBER, 1907.

- 1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair, and read Prayers.
- 2. Petitions.—Mr. Webster presented a Petition from J. F. Doyle, styling himself Clerk of the Gwydir Shire Council, praying that relief may be given from Customs duties which would tend to press heavily on the primary industries of the Commonwealth and to check production and settlement.
 - Mr. Joseph Cook presented a Petition from women electors of the Hunter's Hill branch of the Women's Liberal League of New South Wales, praying that the House will not pass the Tariff introduced on the 8th August, especially the items which render more expensive, food, clothing, and other essentials used by the poorer classes.
 - A Petition, praying that the proposed increased duties on pianos should not be agreed to, was presented as under:—

By Mr. Page-

From teachers of music resident in Queensland.

Petitions severally received.

3. PRINTING COMMITTEE—EIGHTH REPORT FROM.—Mr. Storrer, for the Chairman, brought up the Eighth Report from the Printing Committee (sitting in Conference with the Printing Committee of the Senate).

The Report was read by the Clerk, and is as follows:-

REPORT.

The Printing Committee have the honour to report that they have met in Conference with the Printing Committee of the Senate.

The Joint Committee, having considered all the Petitions and Papers presented to Parliament since the last meeting of the Committee, make the following recommendations with respect to certain Petitions and Papers' not ordered by either House to be printed, viz.:—

Subject of Paper.	Recommends.tion of Committee.	Remarks.
Petitions— Re proposed Tariff—		
From women electors of Parramatta	No recommenda- tion	
From women electors of Adelong	,,	
From Mayor and women electors of Armidale, N.S.W.	"	
From Women's Liberal Leagues of New South Wales	,,	
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Report—continued.

Subject of Paper.	Recommendation of Committee.	Remarks.
Petitions—continued.		
Re proposed Tariff—continued.	ł	
From saw-millers of Southern Tasmania	No recommenda-	
	tion	
From teachers of music in Queensland (three Petitions)	"	
From teachers of music in the Kennedy elec-	,,	
torate, Queensland	<u>"</u>	
From Retail Confectioners—		
Melbourne	,,,	
Sydney	,,	
Hobart	,,,	
Brisbane	,,,	
Re Royal Commission on Secret Drugs, Cures, and	,,	·
Foods—from Public Morals Association	,,,	
Papers—		
Physical Condition of State School Children—	To be printed	
Memorandum re proposal for comparison	P	
between Commonwealth and New Zealand	1	
Referendum (Constitution Alteration) Act—Regu-	No recommenda-	Already in print and
lations—Statutory Rules 1907, No. 97	tion	circulated to Mem
,		bers
Return of quantities and duty paid on Tobacco,	,,,	
Cigars, Cigarettes taken out of Bond	"	-
Return re lands acquired for Rifle Range, Sandy	To be printed	
Bay, Hobart; and Fortification, Mount Nelson,	•	
Hobart.		Į
Pacific Cable Board—Statement of Annual	,,	
Revenue and Expenditure	, ,	
Post and Telegraph Act—Amendments of Regula-		
tions—		
Statutory Rules 1907, No. 91	No recommenda-	Already in print and cir
•	tion	culated to Member
Statutory Rules 1907, No. 103	**	,, ,,
Census and Statistics Act—		
Trade, Shipping, &c., Bulletin No. 7	,,	,, ,,
Shipping and Oversea Migration 1906	,,	,, ,,
Public Service Act—Statutory Rules 1907, No. 100	,,	,, ,,
Papua—Removal of Natives Ordinance of 1907	,,	
rapus—Removal of Manives Ordinance of 1501	1 "	1
Defence Acts—Military Forces—Statutory Rules	,,	1

Committee Room, 10th October, 1907. D. STORRER, For Chairman.

Mr. Storrer moved, by leave, That the Report be adopted. Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

4. Ways and Means.—The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Ways and Means.

And the Committee continuing to sit till after midnight-

FRIDAY, 11TH OCTOBER, 1907.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. McDonald reported that the Committee had made progress and that he was directed to ask, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

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

5. ALTERATION OF TIME OF NEXT MEETING.—Sir William Lyne moved, That the House, at its rising adjourn until eleven o'clock this day.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

6. Adjournment.—Sir William Lyne moved, That the House do now adjourn. Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

And then the House at half-past twelve o'clock in the morning adjourned until this day at eleven o'clock a.m.

Members Present.—All Members were present (at some time during the sitting) except—Mr. Atkinson, Mr. Kelly, Mr. Kingston, Mr. Livingston, Mr. McWilliams, and Sir John Quick.

C. GAVAN DUFFY,
Clerk of the House of Representatives.