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THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH.

No. 62.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

THURSDAY, 24TH OCTOBER, 1907.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair, and read Prayers.
2. PETITION.—Mr. Poynton (for Sir F. W. Holder) presented a Petition from electors of South Australia praying that the House will reduce the duties on agricultural implements and all articles of manufacture essential to cultivation, depasturing sheep and cattle, mining, and the general requisites for the development of natural resources.
Petition received.
3. PRINTING COMMITTEE—NINTH REPORT FROM.—Mr. Hutchison, for the Chairman, brought up the Ninth 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 of such Petitions and Papers not ordered by either House to be printed, viz.:—

Subject of Paper.	Recommendation of Committee.	Remarks.
Petitions—		
<i>Re proposed Tariff—</i>		
From Gwydir Shire Council	No recommenda- tion	
From women electors, Hunter's Hill Branch of Women's Liberal League	„	
From Teachers of Music in Queensland ...	„	
<i>From Retail Confectioners—</i>		
Western Australia	„	
Queenstown, Tasmania	„	
From certain Electors of South Australia (8 petitions)	„	
<i>From workers employed in manufacturing Con- fectionery—</i>		
In Victoria	„	
In Australia	„	
From Boot Operatives, Batman Electorate ...	„	
<i>Re Compulsory Military Training—</i>		
From Woman's Christian Temperance Union of Tasmania	„	

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Papers—		
Post and Telegraph Department—Papers re appointment of Temporary Deputy Postmaster-General of Victoria	To be printed	
Telephone Line, West Maitland and Sydney—Return	No recommendation	
Papua—Leases under Land Ordinance of 1906 ...	"	
Commonwealth Literary Fund—Resolutions as to distribution, &c.	To be printed	
Defence Forces—Permanent Officers—Return ...	No recommendation	
Swiss Military System—Report by Colonel W. T. Bridges, R.A.A.	To be printed	
Excise Act 1901—Sugar Regulations—Statutory Rules 1907, No. 101	No recommendation	Already in print and circulated to Members
Defence Acts 1903-1904—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1907, No. 104	"	" "
Audit Acts 1901-1906—Transfers (dated 11th October, 1907)	"	" "
Customs Act 1901—Regulation—Statutory Rules 1907, No. 105	"	" "
Sugar—Excise Receipts and Bounty Payments since 1901	To be printed	
Joint Library Committee—Report ...	"	
Commonwealth and State Parliaments—Correspondence relating to a Resolution of the Western Australian Parliament re the Tariff, and the right of a State Parliament to protest against Commonwealth Legislative Proposals	"	

J. HUTCHISON,
For Chairman.

Committee Room, 24th October, 1907.

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

4. PAPERS.—Mr. Chapman presented, pursuant to the direction of an Act of Parliament—
Commerce (Trade Descriptions) Act—Substituted Regulation, No. 22 (Provisional)—
Statutory Rules 1907, No. 106.

Mr. Mauger presented, pursuant to the direction of an Act of Parliament—
Public Service Act—Substituted Regulation, No. 142 (Provisional)—Statutory Rules 1907,
No. 108.

5. WAYS AND MEANS.—The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Ways and Means.

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, to-morrow, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

6. MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.—BOUNTIES BILL (1907).—Mr. Speaker announced the receipt of the following Message from the Senate:—

MR. SPEAKER,

Message No. 12.

The Senate returns to the House of Representatives the Bill for "An Act to provide for the Payment of Bounties on the Production of certain Goods," to which it has agreed with the amendments indicated in the annexed Schedule, in which amendments the Senate requests the concurrence of the House of Representatives.

A. J. GOULD,
President.

The Senate,
Melbourne, 24th October, 1907.

Ordered—That the consideration of the foregoing Message in Committee of the whole House be made an Order of the Day for to-morrow.

7. PAPER.—Mr. Mauger presented, pursuant to the direction of an Act of Parliament—
Public Service Act—Regulation No. 104 amended—Telephone Attendants—Statutory
Rules 1907, No. 109.

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

And then the House at twelve minutes to eleven o'clock p.m. adjourned until to-morrow at half-past ten o'clock a.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT.—All Members were present (at some time during the sitting) except—Mr. Tilley Brown, Mr. W. H. Irvine, Mr. Kelly, Mr. Kingston, Mr. Mahon, Sir John Quick, Mr. Watkins, and Mr. Wilson.

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