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THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

No. 12.

WEEKLY REPORT OF DIVISIONS IN COMMITTEE.

WEEK ENDED 26TH NOVEMBER, 1909.

WEDNESDAY, 24TH NOVEMBER, 1909.

No. 41.—*Electoral Bill* (1909, No. 2)—(continued).

Proposed New Clause (to follow Clause 17)—

17A. After section one hundred and seventeen of the Principal Act the following section is inserted :—

“ 117A. The Returning Officer shall, during the progress of an election, and on its completion, cause to be exhibited in a public place prescribed a list, with addresses, of persons to whom postal vote certificates and postal ballot-papers have been issued.”

—(Mr. Thomas Brown.)

Question—That the proposed new clause be added to the Bill—put.

The Committee divided—

Ayes, 16.

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| Mr. Batchelor | Mr. Page |
| Mr. Thomas Brown | Mr. Roberts |
| Mr. Carr | Mr. Thomas |
| Mr. Fisher | Mr. Tudor |
| Mr. Fowler | Mr. Wise |
| Mr. Frazer | |
| Mr. Hutchison | <i>Tellers.</i> |
| Mr. Maloney | Mr. Catts |
| Mr. Mathews | Mr. O'Malley |

Noes, 29.

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| Mr. Atkinson | Mr. Liddell |
| Mr. Joseph Cook | Mr. Livingston |
| Mr. Coon | Mr. Mauger |
| Mr. Deakin | Mr. Palmer |
| Mr. Edwards | Sir John Quick |
| Mr. Fairbairn | Mr. Sampson |
| Sir John Forrest | Mr. Sinclair |
| Mr. R. W. Foster | Mr. Bruce Smith |
| Colonel Foxton | Mr. Dugald Thomson |
| Mr. Fuller | Mr. John Thomson |
| Mr. Glynn | Mr. Wilson |
| Mr. Hans Irvine | |
| Mr. W. H. Irvine | |
| Mr. Johnson | <i>Tellers.</i> |
| Mr. Kelly | Mr. Bowden |
| Mr. Knox | Mr. Hume Cook |

And so it passed in the negative.

No. 42.—*Electoral Bill (1909, No. 2)*—(continued).

Proposed New Clause (to follow Clause 31)—

31A. After section one hundred and ninety-one of the Principal Act the following section is inserted :—

“191A. For the purposes of this part of this Act, the Chief Electoral Officer of the Commonwealth, and under him the Commonwealth Electoral Officer of a State, shall investigate all *bona fide* complaints of breaches of the law and take action to enforce the penalties prescribed for offences under this Act.”

—(Mr. Thomas Brown.)

Question—That the proposed new clause be added to the Bill—put.

The Committee divided—

| Ayes, 17. | | Noes, 31. | |
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| Mr. Bamford | Mr. Thomas | Mr. Atkinson | Mr. Mauger |
| Mr. Thomas Brown | Mr. Tudor | Mr. Joseph Cook | Mr. McWilliams |
| Mr. Carr | Mr. Watkins | Mr. Coon | Mr. Palmer |
| Mr. Catts | Mr. Webster | Mr. Deakin | Sir John Quick |
| Mr. Fisher | Mr. Wise | Mr. Edwards | Mr. Sampson |
| Mr. Hutchison | | Mr. Fairbairn | Mr. Sinclair |
| Mr. Maloney | | Sir John Forrest | Mr. Bruce Smith |
| Mr. Mathews | <i>Tellers.</i> | Mr. R. W. Foster | Mr. Storrer |
| Mr. O'Malley | Mr. Frazer | Mr. Fowler | Mr. Dugald Thomson |
| Mr. Page | Mr. Hall | Colonel Foxton | Mr. John Thomson |
| | | Mr. Fuller | Mr. Wilson |
| | | Mr. Glynn | Mr. Wynne |
| | | Mr. Groom | |
| | | Mr. Hans Irvine | <i>Tellers.</i> |
| | | Mr. W. H. Irvine | Mr. Bowden |
| | | Mr. Kelly | Mr. Hume Cook |
| | | Mr. Livingston | |

And so it passed in the negative.

No. 43.—*Electoral Bill (1909, No. 2)*—(continued).

Proposed New Clause (to follow Clause 31)—

31A. After section one hundred and eighty-two of the Principal Act the following section is inserted :—

“182E. (1) Any person who, at any public meeting to which this section applies, acts in a disorderly manner for the purpose of preventing the transaction of the business for which the meeting is held shall be guilty of an offence against this Act. Penalty : [Five] pounds, or One month's imprisonment.

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—(Mr. O'Malley.)

Amendment proposed—That the word “Five” be omitted from the proposed new clause with a view to the insertion of the word “One” in place thereof.

—(Mr. Hall.)

Question—That the word proposed to be omitted stand part of the proposed new clause—put.

The Committee divided—

| Ayes, 33. | | Noes, 14. | |
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| Mr. Atkinson | Mr. Knox | Mr. Batchelor | Mr. Thomas |
| Mr. Bowden | Mr. Livingston | Mr. Thomas Brown | Mr. Tudor |
| Mr. Joseph Cook | Mr. Mauger | Mr. Catts | Mr. Watkins |
| Mr. Coon | Mr. McWilliams | Mr. Fisher | Mr. Webster |
| Mr. Deakin | Mr. Palmer | Mr. Frazer | |
| Mr. Edwards | Sir John Quick | Mr. Hall | <i>Tellers.</i> |
| Mr. Fairbairn | Mr. Sampson | Mr. Maloney | Mr. Bamford |
| Sir John Forrest | Mr. Sinclair | Mr. Page | Mr. Hutchison |
| Mr. R. W. Foster | Mr. Storrer | | |
| Colonel Foxton | Mr. Dugald Thomson | | |
| Mr. Fuller | Mr. John Thomson | | |
| Mr. Glynn | Mr. Wilson | | |
| Mr. Groom | Mr. Wise | | |
| Mr. Hans Irvine | Mr. Wynne | | |
| Mr. W. H. Irvine | <i>Tellers.</i> | | |
| Mr. Johnson | Mr. Hume Cook | | |
| Mr. Kelly | Mr. O'Malley | | |

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

No. 44.—*Electoral Bill* (1909, No. 2).

Proposed New Clause (to follow Clause 31)—(continued)—

31A. After section one hundred and eighty-two DD of the Principal Act the following section is inserted :—

“182E. (1) Any person who, at any public meeting to which this section applies, acts in a disorderly manner for the purpose of preventing the transaction of the business for which the meeting is held shall be guilty of an offence against this Act. Penalty : Five pounds, or One [month's] imprisonment.

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—(Mr. O'Malley.)

Amendment proposed—That the word “month's” be omitted from the proposed new clause with a view to the insertion of the word “week's” in place thereof.

—(Mr. Hall.)

Question—That the word proposed to be omitted stand part of the proposed new clause—put.

The Committee divided—

Ayes, 29.

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| Mr. Atkinson | Mr. Livingston |
| Mr. Bowden | Mr. Mauger |
| Mr. Joseph Cook | Mr. McWilliams |
| Mr. Coon | Mr. Palmer |
| Mr. Deakin | Sir John Quick |
| Sir John Forrest | Mr. Sampson |
| Mr. R. W. Foster | Mr. Sinclair |
| Mr. Fuller | Mr. Storrer |
| Sir Philip Fysh | Mr. Dugald Thomson |
| Mr. Glynn | Mr. John Thomson |
| Mr. Groom | Mr. Wilson |
| Mr. Hedges | |
| Mr. Hans Irvine | <i>Tellers.</i> |
| Mr. W. H. Irvine | Mr. Hume Cook |
| Mr. Kelly | Mr. O'Malley |
| Mr. Liddell | |

Noes, 15.

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| Mr. Bamford | Mr. Thomas |
| Mr. Batchelor | Mr. Webster |
| Mr. Thomas Brown | Mr. Willis |
| Mr. Carr | Mr. Wynne |
| Mr. Catts | |
| Mr. Fisher | <i>Tellers.</i> |
| Mr. Frazer | Mr. Hutchison |
| Mr. Hall | Mr. Watkins |
| Mr. Page | |

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

No. 45.—*Electoral Bill* (1909, No. 2).

Proposed New Clause (to follow Clause 31)—(continued) (as amended)—

31A. After section one hundred and eighty-two DD of the Principal Act the following section is inserted :—

“182E. (1) Any person who, at any public meeting to which this section applies, acts in a disorderly manner for the purpose of preventing the transaction of the business for which the meeting is held shall be guilty of an offence against this Act. Penalty : Five pounds, or One month's imprisonment in some house of detention more than seven miles from the polling place for the Division for which he is enrolled.

“(2) This section applies to any lawful public political meeting held in relation to any election of members of the Parliament between the date of the issue of the writ for the election and the date of the return of the writ.”

—(Mr. O'Malley.)

Question—That the proposed new clause, as amended, be added to the Bill—put.

The Committee divided—

Ayes, 29.

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| Mr. Bowden | Mr. O'Malley |
| Mr. Joseph Cook | Mr. Palmer |
| Mr. Coon | Sir John Quick |
| Mr. Deakin | Mr. Sampson |
| Mr. Edwards | Mr. Sinclair |
| Mr. Fairbairn | Mr. Storrer |
| Sir John Forrest | Mr. Dugald Thomson |
| Mr. Fuller | Mr. John Thomson |
| Mr. Glynn | Mr. Wilson |
| Mr. Groom | Mr. Wise |
| Mr. Hans Irvine | Mr. Wynne |
| Mr. Johnson | |
| Mr. Kelly | |
| Mr. Livingston | <i>Tellers.</i> |
| Mr. Mauger | Mr. Hume Cook |
| Mr. McWilliams | Mr. R. W. Foster |

Noes, 13.

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| Mr. Bamford | Mr. Tudor |
| Mr. Batchelor | Mr. Webster |
| Mr. Carr | Mr. Willis |
| Mr. Catts | |
| Mr. Fisher | |
| Mr. Hutchison | <i>Tellers.</i> |
| Mr. Mathews | Mr. Thomas Brown |
| Mr. Thomas | Mr. Watkins |

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

No. 46.—*Electoral Bill* (1909, No. 2)—(continued).

Proposed New Clause (to precede Clause 14)—

13A. At the end of section ninety-seven of the Principal Act the following new paragraph is added :—

“(d) In lieu of the deposit provided for in the last preceding sub-section, it shall suffice if any such person lodge a special nomination paper in the prescribed form, signed by two hundred electors in the case of a candidate for the House of Representatives, or one thousand electors in the case of a candidate for the Senate.”

—(Mr. Hall.)

Question—That the proposed new clause be added to the Bill—put.

The Committee divided—

| Ayes, 11. | | Noes, 28. | |
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| Mr. Batchelor | Mr. Spence | Mr. Atkinson | Mr. Palmer |
| Mr. Thomas Brown | Mr. Thomas | Mr. Bowden | Sir John Quick |
| Mr. Carr | | Mr. Joseph Cook | Mr. Sampson |
| Mr. Catts | <i>Tellers.</i> | Mr. Deakin | Mr. Sinclair |
| Mr. Fisher | Mr. Hall | Mr. Fairbairn | Mr. Storrer |
| Mr. Hutchison | Mr. Webster | Sir John Forrest | Mr. Dugald Thomson |
| Mr. Maloney | | Mr. R. W. Foster | Mr. John Thomson |
| | | Mr. Fuller | Mr. Tudor |
| | | Mr. Glynn | Mr. Willis |
| | | Mr. Hans Irvine | Mr. Wilson |
| | | Mr. Johnson | Mr. Wynne |
| | | Mr. Livingston | |
| | | Mr. Mauger | <i>Tellers.</i> |
| | | Mr. McWilliams | Mr. Hume Cook |
| | | Mr. Page | Mr. Coon |

And so it passed in the negative.

No. 47.—*Electoral Bill* (1909, No. 2)—(continued).

Proposed New Heading and Clause (as amended) (to follow Clause 3)—

PART III.—ELECTORAL DIVISIONS.

3A. Part III, of the Principal Act is amended—

(a) by repealing sections thirteen and fourteen and substituting in lieu thereof the following sections :—

“13.—(1.) The Governor-General may appoint three persons in each State to be Commissioners, **one of whom, if his services are obtainable, shall be the Surveyor-General or an officer of his Department or an officer having similar qualifications**, for the purpose of distributing the State into divisions in accordance with this Act, and may appoint one of them to be chairman.

“(2.) The Commissioners shall hold office during the pleasure of the Governor-General.

“14. At all meetings of the Commissioners the chairman, if present, shall preside, and in his absence the Commissioners present shall appoint one of their number to preside, and at all such meetings two Commissioners shall be a quorum and shall have full power to act, and in the event of an equality of votes the chairman or presiding Commissioner shall have a casting vote in addition to his original vote.”

(b) by omitting from sections sixteen, seventeen, eighteen, nineteen, and twenty-two the word “Commissioner” wherever that word occurs, and inserting in lieu thereof the word “Commissioners”;

(c) by omitting from sections eighteen and nineteen the word “his” and inserting in lieu thereof the word “their”;

(d) by omitting from section nineteen the word “him” and inserting in lieu thereof the word “them”.

—(Mr. Fairbairn.)

Question—That the proposed new heading and clause, as amended, be added to the Bill—put.

The Committee divided—

| Ayes, 23. | | Noes, 15. | |
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| Mr. Atkinson | Mr. Mauger | Mr. Batchelor | Mr. Storrer |
| Mr. Bowden | Mr. McWilliams | Mr. Carr | Mr. Tudor |
| Mr. Joseph Cook | Mr. Palmer | Mr. Catts | Mr. Webster |
| Mr. Coon | Sir John Quick | Mr. Hall | Mr. Wise |
| Mr. Fairbairn | Mr. Sampson | Mr. Hutchison | |
| Sir John Forrest | Mr. Dugald Thomson | Mr. Maloney | <i>Tellers.</i> |
| Mr. R. W. Foster | Mr. John Thomson | Mr. Roberts | Mr. Thomas Brown |
| Mr. Fuller | Mr. Willis | Mr. Sinclair | Mr. Watkins |
| Mr. Glynn | Mr. Wilson | Mr. Spence | |
| Mr. Groom | <i>Tellers.</i> | | |
| Mr. Hans Irvine | Mr. Hume Cook | | |
| Mr. Livingston | Mr. Johnson | | |

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

No. 48.—*Electoral Bill (1909, No. 2)*—(continued).

Proposed New Clause (to precede Clause 32)—

31A. After section two hundred and six c the following section is inserted :—

“206cc. Every political article appearing in a newspaper pertaining to a Federal election three months prior to a general election shall be signed by the writer thereof.”

—(Mr. Maloney.)

Question—That the proposed new clause be added to the Bill—put.

The Committee divided—

| Ayes 10. | | Noes 25. | |
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| Mr. Thomas Brown | Mr. Watkins | Mr. Atkinson | Mr. McWilliams |
| Mr. Fisher | Mr. Webster | Mr. Bowden | Mr. Palmer |
| Mr. Hutchison | | Mr. Joseph Cook | Sir John Quick |
| Mr. Maloney | <i>Tellers.</i> | Mr. Coon | Mr. Sampson |
| Mr. Roberts | Mr. Catts | Mr. Crouch | Mr. Sinclair |
| Mr. Tudor | Mr. Hall | Mr. Fairbairn | Mr. Storrer |
| | | Sir John Forrest | Mr. Dugald Thomson |
| | | Mr. R. W. Foster | Mr. John Thomson |
| | | Mr. Fuller | Mr. Willis |
| | | Mr. Glynn | Mr. Wilson |
| | | Mr. Johnson | <i>Tellers.</i> |
| | | Mr. Livingston | Mr. Hume Cook |
| | | Mr. Mauger | Mr. Hans Irvine |

And so it passed in the negative.

THURSDAY, 25TH NOVEMBER, 1909.

No. 49.—*Electoral Bill (1909, No. 2)*—(continued)—on Recommittal. Clause 27A (as amended)—

27A. Section one hundred and seventy of the Principal Act is amended by adding at the end thereof the following ~~sub-section~~ paragraph :—

“(vii.) Horse or carriage hire for any voter whilst going to or returning from the poll.”

Motion made—That Clause 27A be omitted from the Bill.

—(Mr. Frazer.)

Question—That the clause proposed to be omitted be so omitted—put.

The Committee divided—

| Ayes, 31. | | Noes, 18. | |
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| Mr. Atkinson | Mr. Livingston | Mr. Bamford | Sir John Quick |
| Mr. Thomas Brown | Mr. Mauger | Mr. Batchelor | Mr. Roberts |
| Mr. Carr | Mr. McWilliams | Mr. Joseph Cook | Mr. Storrer |
| Mr. Catts | Mr. Page | Mr. Deakin | Mr. Thomas |
| Mr. Coon | Mr. Palmer | Mr. Fisher | Mr. Tudor |
| Mr. Crouch | Mr. Sampson | Mr. Fuller | Mr. Wise |
| Mr. Edwards | Mr. Sinclair | Mr. Glynn | |
| Sir John Forrest | Mr. Spence | Mr. Mahon | <i>Tellers.</i> |
| Mr. R. W. Foster | Mr. Dugald Thomson | Mr. Maloney | Mr. Hutchison |
| Colonel Foxton | Mr. John Thomson | Mr. Mathews | Mr. Webster |
| Mr. Frazer | Mr. Willis | | |
| Mr. Groom | Mr. Wilson | | |
| Mr. Harper | | | |
| Mr. Hans Irvine | | | |
| Mr. Johnson | <i>Tellers.</i> | | |
| Mr. Kelly | Mr. Bowden | | |
| Mr. Liddell | Mr. Hume Cook | | |

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

No. 50.—*Seat of Government Acceptance Bill*.—Clause 2.

2. This Act shall commence on a day to be fixed by Proclamation, \wedge after the Parliament of the State has passed an Act ratifying and confirming the said agreement, and surrendering the Territory to the Commonwealth.

—(*The Minister for Home Affairs.*)

Amendment proposed—That the following words be inserted in the clause after the word “Proclamation,”:—

“but not till after a referendum of the people of the Commonwealth shall have been taken as to the most suitable site.”

—(*Mr. Coon.*)

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

The Committee divided—

| Ayes, 9. | | Noes, 34. | |
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| Mr. Crouch | Mr. Wise | Mr. Bowden | Mr. Kelly |
| Mr. Maloney | | Mr. Thomas Brown | Mr. Liddell |
| Mr. Page | | Mr. Carr | Mr. Mahon |
| Mr. Roberts | <i>Tellers.</i> | Mr. Catts | Mr. McWilliams |
| Mr. Storrer | Mr. Coon | Mr. Joseph Cook | Mr. Palmer |
| Mr. Tudor | Mr. Mathews | Mr. Deakin | Sir John Quick |
| | | Mr. Edwards | Mr. Sampson |
| | | Mr. Fairbairn | Mr. Sinclair |
| | | Mr. Fisher | Mr. Dugald Thomson |
| | | Sir John Forrest | Mr. John Thomson |
| | | Mr. Fowler | Mr. Watkins |
| | | Colonel Foxton | Mr. Webster |
| | | Mr. Fuller | Mr. Willis |
| | | Mr. Glynn | Mr. Wilson |
| | | Mr. Groom | |
| | | Mr. Hedges | <i>Tellers.</i> |
| | | Mr. Hans Irvine | Mr. Frazer |
| | | Mr. Johnson | Mr. Hall |

And so it passed in the negative

FRIDAY, 26TH NOVEMBER, 1909.

No. 51.—*Seat of Government Acceptance Bill*.—Clause 2 (*continued*).

2. This Act shall commence on a day to be fixed by Proclamation after the Parliament of the State has passed an Act ratifying [and confirming the said agreement], and surrendering the Territory to the Commonwealth.

—(*The Minister for Home Affairs.*)

Amendment proposed—That the words “and confirming the said agreement” be omitted from the clause.

—(*Mr. Mathews.*)

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

The Committee divided—

| Ayes, 30. | | Noes, 7. | |
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| Mr. Atkinson | Mr. Hans Irvine | Mr. Coon | |
| Mr. Bowden | Mr. Johnson | Mr. Maloney | <i>Tellers.</i> |
| Mr. Thomas Brown | Mr. Kelly | Mr. Page | Mr. Crouch |
| Mr. Carr | Mr. Liddell | Mr. Storrer | Mr. Tudor |
| Mr. Catts | Mr. McWilliams | Mr. Wise | |
| Mr. Joseph Cook | Mr. Palmer | | |
| Mr. Deakin | Sir John Quick | | |
| Mr. Edwards | Mr. Sampson | | |
| Mr. Fairbairn | Mr. Dugald Thomson | | |
| Mr. Fisher | Mr. John Thomson | | |
| Sir John Forrest | Mr. Watkins | | |
| Mr. Fowler | Mr. Willis | | |
| Colonel Foxton | | | |
| Mr. Fuller | <i>Tellers.</i> | | |
| Mr. Glynn | Mr. Hume Cook | | |
| Mr. Groom | Mr. Hall | | |

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

No. 52.—*Seat of Government Acceptance Bill* (*continued*).—Clause 3.

3. The Agreement made between the Commonwealth and the State and set out in the First Schedule to this Act is hereby ratified and confirmed \wedge .

—(*The Minister for Home Affairs.*)

Amendment proposed—That the following words be added to the clause “with the proviso that the following words be added at end of paragraph 10, ‘such rights as regards the Snowy River shall be paramount to those of the State’”.

—(*Mr. Sampson.*)

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

The Committee divided—

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| Ayes, 14. | |
| Mr. Carr | Mr. Palmer |
| Mr. Catts | Mr. Roberts |
| Mr. Coon | Mr. Storrer |
| Mr. Crouch | Mr. Webster |
| Mr. Frazer | |
| Mr. Knox | <i>Tellers.</i> |
| Mr. O'Malley | Mr. Mathews |
| Mr. Page | Mr. Sampson |

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| Noes, 27. | |
| Mr. Atkinson | Mr. Johnson |
| Mr. Bowden | Mr. Kelly |
| Mr. Joseph Cook | Mr. Liddell |
| Mr. Deakin | Mr. Livingston |
| Mr. Edwards | Mr. McWilliams |
| Mr. Fairbairn | Sir John Quick |
| Sir John Forrest | Mr. Sinclair |
| Mr. Fowler | Mr. Dugald Thomson |
| Colonel Foxton | Mr. John Thomson |
| Mr. Fuller | Mr. Willis |
| Mr. Glynn | |
| Mr. Groom | <i>Tellers.</i> |
| Mr. Hall | Mr. Thomas Brown |
| Mr. Hedges | Mr. Hume Cook |
| Mr. Hans Irvine | |

And so it passed in the negative.

No. 53.—*Seat of Government Acceptance Bill (continued).*—Clause 6.

6. (1.)—Subject to this Act, all laws in force in the Territory immediately before the proclaimed day shall, so far as applicable, continue in force until other provision is made.

(2.) Where, by any law of the State in force in the Territory on the proclaimed day, any power or function is vested in the Governor of the State, or in any Authority of the State, that power or function in relation to the Territory shall be vested in and exercised or performed by the Governor-General, or the Authority exercising similar powers and functions under the Commonwealth, as the case requires or as the Governor-General directs :

Provided that the Governor-General may direct that any such power or function may be exercised or performed on behalf of the Commonwealth by the Authority of the State in which it was previously vested ; and while that direction remains in force the Authority of the State shall, in regard to the exercise or performance of that power or function, be deemed to be an Authority of the Commonwealth.

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—(*The Minister for Home Affairs.*)

Amendment proposed—That the following words be added to the clause :—

“From the day of the commencement of the Act no new licence to manufacture sell or supply intoxicating or spirituous liquors shall be issued in or for the Territory except upon a direct vote of a majority of the people resident therein.”

—(*Mr. Wise.*)

Motion made—That the question be now put.

—(*The Minister for Home Affairs.*)

Question—That the question be now put—put.

The Committee divided—

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| Ayes, 28. | |
| Mr. Atkinson | Mr. Knox |
| Mr. Bowden | Mr. Liddell |
| Mr. Joseph Cook | Mr. Livingston |
| Mr. Crouch | Mr. Mauger |
| Mr. Deakin | Mr. McWilliams |
| Mr. Fairbairn | Mr. Palmer |
| Sir John Forrest | Sir John Quick |
| Colonel Foxton | Mr. Sampson |
| Mr. Fuller | Mr. Sinclair |
| Sir Philip Fysh | Mr. Dugald Thomson |
| Mr. Glynn | Mr. Willis |
| Mr. Groom | |
| Mr. Hedges | <i>Tellers.</i> |
| Mr. Hans Irvine | Mr. Hume Cook |
| Mr. Johnson | Mr. Kelly |

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| Noes, 17. | |
| Mr. Bamford | Mr. Page |
| Mr. Carr | Mr. Roberts |
| Mr. Catts | Mr. Storrer |
| Mr. Coon | Mr. Tudor |
| Mr. Fisher | Mr. Wise |
| Mr. Fowler | |
| Mr. Frazer | <i>Tellers.</i> |
| Mr. Mahon | Mr. Thomas |
| Mr. Mathews | Mr. Webster |
| Mr. O'Malley | |

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

No. 54.—*Seat of Government Acceptance Bill.*—Clause 6 (*continued*).

6. (1.)—Subject to this Act, all laws in force in the Territory immediately before the proclaimed day shall, so far as applicable, continue in force until other provision is made.

(2.) Where, by any law of the State in force in the Territory on the proclaimed day, any power or function is vested in the Governor of the State, or in any Authority of the State, that power or function in relation to the Territory shall be vested in and exercised or performed by the Governor-General, or the Authority exercising similar powers and functions under the Commonwealth, as the case requires or as the Governor-General directs :

Provided that the Governor-General may direct that any such power or function may be exercised or performed on behalf of the Commonwealth by the Authority of the State in which it was previously vested ; and while that direction remains in force the Authority of the State shall, in regard to the exercise or performance of that power or function, be deemed to be an Authority of the Commonwealth.

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—(*The Minister for Home Affairs.*)

Amendment proposed—That the following words be added to the clause :—

“From the day of the commencement of the Act no new licence to manufacture sell or supply intoxicating or spirituous liquors shall be issued in or for the Territory except upon a direct vote of a majority of the people resident therein.”

—(Mr. Wise.)

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

The Committee divided—

| Ayes, 15. | | Noes, 31. | |
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| Mr. Carr | Mr. Storrer | Mr. Atkinson | Mr. Hans Irvine |
| Mr. Catts | Mr. John Thomson | Mr. Bamford | Mr. Kelly |
| Mr. Coon | Mr. Tudor | Mr. Bowden | Mr. Knox |
| Mr. Crouch | Mr. Webster | Mr. Thomas Brown | Mr. Liddell |
| Mr. Fisher | Mr. Wise | Mr. Joseph Cook | Mr. Livingston |
| Mr. McWilliams | <i>Tellers.</i> | Mr. Deakin | Mr. Mahon |
| Mr. Page | Mr. Mathews | Mr. Fairbairn | Mr. Mauger |
| Mr. Roberts | Mr. O'Malley | Sir John Forrest | Mr. Palmer |
| | | Mr. Fowler | Sir John Quick |
| | | Colonel Foxton | Mr. Sampson |
| | | Mr. Fuller | Mr. Sinclair |
| | | Sir Philip Fysh | Mr. Dugald Thomson |
| | | Mr. Glynn | Mr. Willis |
| | | Mr. Groom | <i>Tellers.</i> |
| | | Mr. Hall | Mr. Hume Cook |
| | | Mr. Hedges | Mr. Frazer |

And so it passed in the negative.

No. 55.—*Seat of Government Acceptance Bill (continued)*.—First Schedule.

SCHEDULES.

FIRST SCHEDULE.

Amendment proposed—That the following words be added to the First Schedule :—

“In Witness whereof the Honorable Alfred Deakin (Prime Minister of the Commonwealth) for and on behalf of the Commonwealth, and the Honorable Charles Gregory Wade (Premier of the State) for and on behalf of the State, have hereunto set their hands and seals the day and year first above written.

Signed, Sealed, and Delivered }
by the above-named Alfred } ALFRED DEAKIN. (L.S.)
Deakin in the presence of— }

R. R. GARRAN.

Signed, Sealed, and Delivered }
by the above-named Charles } C. G. WADE. (L.S.)
Gregory Wade }

J. L. WILLIAMS.”

—(The Minister for Home Affairs.)

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

The Committee divided—

| Ayes, 12. | | Noes, 32. | |
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| Mr. Bamford | Mr. Tudor | Mr. Atkinson | Mr. Kelly |
| Mr. Coon | Mr. Webster | Mr. Bowden | Mr. Knox |
| Mr. Crouch | Mr. Wise | Mr. Thomas Brown | Mr. Liddell |
| Mr. Frazer | | Mr. Catts | Mr. Livingston |
| Mr. Mathews | <i>Tellers.</i> | Mr. Joseph Cook | Mr. Mahon |
| Mr. Roberts | Mr. Carr | Mr. Deakin | Mr. Mauger |
| Mr. Storrer | Mr. O'Malley | Mr. Edwards | Mr. McWilliams |
| | | Mr. Fairbairn | Sir John Quick |
| | | Sir John Forrest | Mr. Sampson |
| | | Mr. Fowler | Mr. Sinclair |
| | | Mr. Fuller | Mr. Dugald Thomson |
| | | Mr. Glynn | Mr. John Thomson |
| | | Mr. Groom | Mr. Willis |
| | | Mr. Hall | |
| | | Mr. Hedges | <i>Tellers.</i> |
| | | Mr. Hans Irvine | Mr. Hume Cook |
| | | Mr. Johnson | Mr. Palmer |

And so it passed in the negative.