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THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH.

No. 65.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

THURSDAY, 14TH OCTOBER, 1909.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair, and read Prayers.
2. PRINTING COMMITTEE—FOURTH REPORT FROM.—Mr. Hutchison, Chairman, brought up the Fourth 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 the undermentioned Petition and Papers presented to Parliament, make the following recommendations:—

Subject of Paper.	Recommendation of Committee.	Remarks.
Petition— Defence Bill—From Woman's Christian Temperance Union of Tasmania <i>re</i> regular military training	No recommenda- tion	
Papers— Agricultural Implement Makers' Employés—Pro- vision for reimbursement of legal outlay	„	
Bounties Act—Statutory Rules 1909, No. 103 ...	„	Already in print and cir- culated to Members
Census and Statistics Act—Official Bulletins— Population and Vital Statistics—No. 15 ...	„	„
Trade, Shipping, Oversea Migration, and Fi- nance—Nos. 30 and 31	„	„
Conciliation and Arbitration Act—Statutory Rules 1909, No. 102	„	„
Defence— Military Examinations, Melbourne, March, 1909— Return	„	
Naval—Copy of Cable from Secretary of State <i>re</i> Australian Naval Defence	To be printed	
State Rifle Associations—Grants to, &c.—Return	„	

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REPORT—continued.

Subject of Paper.	Recommendation of Committee.	Remarks.
<i>Papers—continued.</i>		
Defence Acts—Statutory Rules 1909, Nos. 101 and 110	No recommendation	Already in print and circulated to Members
General Post Office and Proposed Purchase of Markets, Sydney—Return	"	
<i>Hansard</i> and <i>Government Gazette</i> —Cost of Printing and Advertising—Return	To be printed	
Inter-State Conference, Melbourne, August, 1909—Agreement on Commonwealth and State Finance	"	
Lands Acquisition Act—Land acquired under, at— Fremantle	} No recommen- dation	Published in <i>Gazette</i>
Maribyrnong		
Weston		
Papua—Ordinances of 1909— Nos. 10, 11, 21, 22, 23, 24	To be printed	
Native Labour Amendment	"	
Removal of Natives Ordinance 1907—Repeal Timber (Consolidated)	"	
Patents Acts—Statutory Rules 1909, No. 96 ...	No recommenda- tion	Already in print and circulated to Members
Post and Telegraph Act—Statutory Rules 1909, Nos. 99, 104, 109, and 111	"	" "
Public Servants receiving less than £110 per annum— Return	To be printed	
Additional Return	"	
Public Service Act— Statutory Rules 1909, Nos. 105 and 106 ...	No recommenda- tion	" "
Appointment of Major A. J. Pinchen as Assistant Military Engineer, Home Affairs Department	"	
Quarantine Act—Statutory Rules 1909, No. 100 ...	"	" "
Steamship <i>Waratah</i> — <i>Précis</i> of correspondence <i>re</i> chartering vessel to search for	"	
Tariff—Australian Preference to British Goods— Memorandum by Minister for Trade and Customs	To be printed	

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J. HUTCHISON,
Chairman.

Mr. Hutchison moved, by leave, That the Report be adopted.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

3. BUILDINGS RENTED, AND RENTS PAID BY COMMONWEALTH.—Mr. Johnson moved, pursuant to notice, amended, That a Return be laid upon the Table of the House showing—

(a) What buildings privately and publicly owned are rented for Commonwealth purposes in the capital of each State, and for what purpose; and what are the rents in each case.

(b) What is the total amount of rent paid in each State for privately owned buildings for Post, Telegraph, and Telephone purposes.

(c) What is the total amount of rent paid by the Commonwealth Government for the use of privately owned premises.

(d) Similar information in respect of publicly owned premises.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

4. DEFENCE BILL (1909).—The Order of the Day having been read for the resumption of the debate on the question, That the Bill be now read a second time—

Debate resumed.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a second time.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. McDonald reported that the Committee had made progress in the Bill, 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.

5. NORTHERN TERRITORY ACCEPTANCE BILL.—The Order of the Day having been read for the resumption of the debate on the question, That the Bill be now read a second time—

Debate resumed.

And Mr. Crouch addressing the House—

Mr. Webster moved, That the honorable Member for Corio (Mr. Crouch) be not further heard.

Question—That the honorable Member for Corio be not further heard—put.

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The House divided—

Ayes, 4.		Noes, 37.	
Mr. Mahon	<i>Tellers.</i>	Mr. Archer	Mr. Mauger
Mr. Spence	Mr. Mathews	Mr. Batchelor	Mr. McDonald
	Mr. Webster	Mr. Bowden	Mr. McDougall
		Mr. Thomas Brown	Mr. Palmer
		Mr. Chanter	Mr. Poynton
		Mr. Joseph Cook	Sir John Quick
		Mr. Deakin	Mr. Reid
		Mr. Fisher	Mr. Sampson
		Sir John Forrest	Mr. Sinclair
		Mr. Fuller	Mr. Storrer
		Sir Philip Fysh	Mr. Dugald Thomson
		Mr. Glynn	Mr. John Thomson
		Mr. Groom	Mr. Watkins
		Mr. Hall	Mr. Wilks
		Mr. Hutchison	Mr. Wise
		Mr. Hans Irvine	
		Mr. Johnson	<i>Tellers.</i>
		Mr. Knox	Mr. Hume Cook
		Mr. Liddell	Mr. Coon
		Mr. Livingston	

And so it passed in the negative.

Debate continued by Mr. Crouch and other honorable Members.

Mr. Chanter moved, That the debate be now adjourned.

Question—That the debate be now adjourned—put and resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered—That the resumption of the debate be made an Order of the Day for to-morrow.

6. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered, after debate—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 3, 4, and 5 be postponed until after the consideration of Order of the Day No. 6.
7. POST AND TELEGRAPH [RECORDING MACHINES] BILL.—The Order of the Day having been read for the resumption of the debate on the question, That the Bill be now read a second time—
Debate resumed.
Mr. Mauger moved, That the debate be now adjourned.
Question—That the debate be now adjourned—put and resolved in the affirmative.
Ordered—That the resumption of the debate be made an Order of the Day for to-morrow.
8. ADJOURNMENT.—Mr. Joseph Cook moved, That the House do now adjourn.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

And then the House, at ten minutes past 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. Atkinson, Mr. Catts, Mr. Chapman*, Mr. Edwards, Sir Thomas Ewing, Colonel Foxton*, Mr. Page, Mr. Bruce Smith, Mr. Watson*, and Mr. Wilson.

* On leave.

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