THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH:

No. 86.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

FRIDAY, 19TH NOVEMBER, 1909.

- 1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair, and read Prayers.
- 2. Printing Committee—Fifth Report from.—Mr. Hutchison, Chairman, brought up the Fifth 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 Petitions and Papers presented to Parliament, make the following recommendations:—

Subject of Paper.	Recommendation of Committee.	Remarks.
etitions-		
Defence—Praying for sub-department of State to	No recommenda-	
devise methods of cultivating international friend- liness; limitation of armaments, &c.—From certain citizens of Commonwealth	tion	
Defence Bill—Against compulsory military training—		
From Woman's Christian Temperance Union-		
New South Wales	,,,	
South Australia	,,	
Old-age Pensions—Praying that coloured subjects of the King may not be disqualified from receiving—		
From Women's Liberal League of New South Wales	,	
From Wagga Branch of Women's Liberal League	,,	
State Governments and Parliaments—Praying for abolition of—From Electors of the Senate	"	
Sugar Industry—Praying for Royal Commission to be appointed re position of cane-growers, &c.— From cane-sugar growers of Australia	• ,,	,
apers—		
Asiatics in Australia—Particulars re	١,,	
Audit Acts—Statutory Rules 1909, Nos. 107 and 114	,,	Already in print a circulated to Memb
Beer Excise Act—Statutory Rules 1909, No. 125	,,	,,,
Buildings Rented and Rents Paid by Common- wealth—Return	"	
Census and Statistics Act— Official Bulletins—		
Population and Vital Statistics—No. 16	"	Already in print a circulated to Memb
Trade, Shipping, Oversea Migration, and Finance, No. 32	"	" "
Shipping and Oversea Migration, 1908	,,	,, ,,
Trade and Customs and Excise Revenue, 1908	,,	;; ;;
Statutory Rules 1909, No. 121	,,	, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,
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Report—continued.

Subject of Paper.	Recommendation of Committee.	Remarks.
apers—continued.		
Ĉustoms Act—Statutory Rules 1909, No. 126	No recommenda- tion	Already in print and circulated to Members
Federal Capital—Agreement between Commonwealth and New South Wales	,,	
Defence—		
Cadet Battalions in New South Wales—Particulars re—Return	,,	·
Naval College—Letter from Lord Mayor of Sydney to Prime Minister	To be printed	
Defence Acts—Statutory Rules 1909, Nos. 117, 118, and 122	No recommenda- tion	Already in print and circulated to Members
Fisheries—Report of Director re experiments carried	To be printed	,,
out by F.I.S. <i>Endeavour</i> Lands Acquisition Act—Land acquired under, at—		
Ararat		
Beeac	No recommenda-	Published in Gazette
Port Melbourne	tion	
Raymond Terrace		
Papua – Ordinances of 1909—		
Nos. 4, 8, 12; and Gold-field Reward	To be printed	
Papua—Report on Progress of Territory by Hon.	No recommenda-	
Staniforth Smith, 25th September, 1909	tion	
Post and Telegraph Department, Queensland—Fines and Offences 1908–9—Return	,,	
Public Service Act—Statutory Rules 1909, Nos. 119 and 120	,,	Already in print and circulated to Members
Spirits Act—Statutory Rules 1909, No. 112	,,	
Standing Orders Committee—Fifth Report of the	,,	
President's decisions		
Sugar Bounty Act—Statutory Rules 1909, No. 113	,,	Already in print and circulated to Members

Committee Room,

18th November, 1909.

J. Hutchison,

Chairman.

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

Debate ensued.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

3. ELECTORAL BILL (1909) (No. 2).—The Order of the Day having been read for the further consideration of this Bill in Committee of the whole House—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, on Tuesday next, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

1. ADJOURNMENT.—Mr. Fuller moved, That the House do now adjourn.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

And then the House, at seventeen minutes to four o'clock p.m., adjourned until Tuesday next, at three o'clock p.m.

Members Present.—All Members were present (at some time during the sitting) except—Mr. Archer, Mr. Atkinson, Mr. Batchelor, Mr. Chapman, Sir Thomas Ewing, Mr. Fairbairn, Mr. Frank J. Foster, Mr. Harper, Mr. Hughes, Mr. Knox, Mr. Livingston, Sir William Lyne, Sir George Reid, Mr. Roberts, Mr. Sampson, Mr. Spence, Mr. Watson, and Mr. Wilson.

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