THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH.

No. 67.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

WEDNESDAY, 16TH OCTOBER, 1912.

- 1. The House met, at half-past ten o'clock a.m., pursuant to adjournment.-Mr. Speaker took the Chair, and read Prayers.
- 2. MOTION OF CENSURE ON THE GOVERNMENT.—Mr. Hedges moved, pursuant to notice, That, in the opinion of this House, the decision of the Government to use karri sleepers, treated or untreated, in preference to other more suitable timbers, in the construction of the Kalgoorlie-Port Augusta railway, is deserving of censure.

Debate ensued.

Mr. Riley moved an amendment, That the words "the construction of the Transcontinental Railway should be deferred pending the appointment and report of a Royal Commission in regard to the best timber for sleepers to be used in the construction" be inserted in the Motion after the word "House".

Debate ensued.

Mr. Groom moved an amendment to the proposed amendment, viz., That the words "should be deferred" be omitted from the proposed amendment.

Debate ensued.

Question---That the words proposed to be omitted stand part of the proposed amendment---put. The House divided---

Ayes, 30.		Noes, 19.	
Mr.ArchibaldMr.Mr.BamfordMr.Mr.BrennanMr.Mr.BrownMr.Mr.CannMr.Mr.CarrMr.	W. J. Johnson Mathews Page Poynton Riley Roberts Laird Smith Spence	Mr. Cook Sir John Forrest Mr. R. W. Foster Mr. Fowler Mr. Fuller Mr. Glynn Mr. Gordon Mr. Greene	Mr. Palmer Sir John Quick Mr. Salmon Mr. Sampson Mr. Sinclair Mr. Wynne
Mr. CharltonMr.Mr. FentonMr.Mr. FinlaysonMr.Mr. FisherMr.Mr. FrazerMr.Mr. HiggsMr.Mr. JepsenMr.	Thomas Tudor Webster West <i>Tellers</i> . Scullin Watkins	Mr. Groom Mr. Hedges Mr. W. H. Irvine	Tellers. Mr. Kelly Mr. Thomson
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Question—That the words proposed to be inserted in the original Motion be so inserted—put. The House divided—

А	yes, 19.		Noes, 3	30.
Mr. Anstey	Mr. Riley	1	Mr. Archibald	Mr. W. J. Johnson
Mr. Bamford	Mr. Salmon		Mr. Brennan	Mr. Mathews
Mr. Cook	Mr. Sampson		Mr. Brown	Mr. Poynton
Mr. R. W. Foster	Mr. Sinclair	•	Mr. Cann	Sir John Quick
Mr. Fuller	Mr. Thomson		Mr. Carr	Mr. Roberts
Mr. Gordon	Mr. Wynne		Mr. Catts	Mr. Scullin
Mr. Greene	•		Mr. Fenton	Mr. Laird Smith
Mr. Groom			Mr. Finlayson	Mr. Spence
Mr. Hedges	Tellers.		Mr. Fisher	Mr. Thomas
Mr. W. H. Irvine	Mr. Charlton		Sir John Forrest	Mr. Tudor
Mr. Palmer	Mr. Kelly		Mr. Fowler	Mr. Webster
			Mr. Frazer	Mr. West
			Mr. Glynn	
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			Mr. Howe	Mr. Page
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And so it was negatived.

Question—That, in the opinion of this House, the decision of the Government to use karri sleepers, treated or untreated, in preference to other more suitable timbers, in the construction of the Kalgoorlie-Port Augusta railway, is deserving of censure—put.

The House divided-

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Sir John Forrest	Sir John Quick	Mr. Archibald Mr. Mathews	
Mr. R. W. Foster	Mr. Salmon	Mr. Bamford Mr. Poynton	
Mr. Fowler	Mr. Sampson	Mr. Brennan Mr. Riley	
Mr. Fuller	Mr. Sinclair	Mr. Brown Mr. Roberts	
Mr. Glynn	Mr. Wynne	Mr. Cann Mr. Scullin	
Mr. Gordon		Mr. Carr Mr. Laird Smith	h
Mr. Greene		Mr. Catts Mr. Spence	
Mr. Groom	Tellers.	Mr. Charlton Mr. Thomas	
Mr. Hedges	Mr. Kelly	Mr. Fenton Mr. Tudor	
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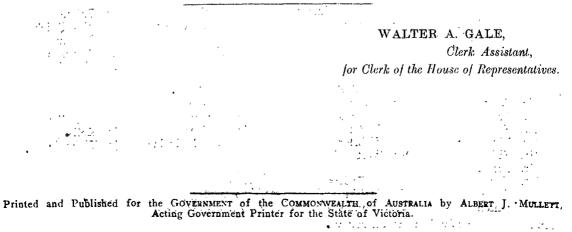
And so it was negatived.

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3. ADSURNMENT.—Mr. Fisher moved, That the House do now adjourn. Question—put and passed.

And then the House, at twenty-seven 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. Bennett, Mr. Chanter, Mr. Deakin, Mr. B. Edwards, Mr. Frank J. Foster, Mr. Hans Irvine, Mr. Livingston, Sir William Lyne, Mr. McDougall, Mr. McWilliams, Mr. Parker Moloney, and Mr. Bruce Smith.



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