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## THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA.

No. 7.

## VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

## HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

THURSDAY, 11<sup>TH</sup> MARCH, 1920.

1. The House met, at half-past two o'clock p.m., pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair, and read Prayers.
2. PAPERS.—The following Papers were presented, pursuant to Statute—  
Excise Act—Regulations Amended—Statutory Rules 1920, No. 32.  
War Service Homes Act—Land acquired under, at Bankstown, New South Wales (2).
3. SUPPLY RESOLUTION [SUPPLY BILL]—WANT OF CONFIDENCE IN THE GOVERNMENT.—The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.

*(In the Committee.)*

SUPPLY BILL (No. 4) 1919-20.

Debate resumed on the motion of Mr. Watt, That there be granted to His Majesty for or towards defraying the services of the year 1919-20 a sum not exceeding £5,727,180—and on the Amendment moved thereto by Mr. McWilliams, viz.—That the proposed sum be reduced by £2,863,590.

Question—That the sum proposed to be reduced be so reduced—put.  
The Committee divided—

Ayes, 30.

Mr. Blakeley	Mr. W. Maloney
Mr. Brennan	Mr. Mathews
Mr. Considine	Mr. McWilliams
Mr. Robert Cook	Mr. Parker Moloney
Mr. Cunningham	Mr. Nicholls
Mr. Fenton	Mr. Earle Page
Mr. Gabb	Mr. Prowse
Mr. Gibson	Mr. Ryan
Mr. Gregory	Mr. Stewart
Mr. Hay	Mr. Tudor
Mr. Hill	Mr. Watkins
Mr. Jowett	Mr. West
Mr. Lavelle	
Mr. Lazzarini	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. Mahony	Mr. J. H. Catts
Mr. Makin	Mr. James Page

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Mr. Atkinson	Mr. Jackson
Mr. Bayley	Mr. W. Elliot Johnson
Mr. Bell	Mr. Kerby
Mr. Blundell	Mr. Lamond
Mr. Bowden	Mr. Lister
Mr. Bruce	Mr. Mackay
Mr. Donald Cameron	Mr. Marks
Mr. Austin Chapman	Mr. Marr
Sir Joseph Cook	Mr. Maxwell
Mr. Corser	Mr. Rodgers
Mr. Fleming	Sir Granville Ryrie
Mr. R. W. Foster	Mr. Laird Smith
Mr. Fowler	Mr. Wienholt
Mr. Francis	Mr. Wise
Mr. Greene	
Mr. Groom	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. Higgs	Mr. Burchell
Mr. Hughes	Mr. Story

And so it was negatived.

Question—That there be granted to His Majesty for or towards defraying the services of the year 1919-20 a sum not exceeding £5,727,180—put and passed.

Resolution to be reported, and leave asked to sit again.

The House resumed ; Mr. Chanter reported accordingly.

Resolved—That the House will, to-morrow, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Resolution reported from the Committee was read, and, on the motion of Mr. Hughes, was adopted by the House.

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4. **WAYS AND MEANS.**—Mr. Hughes moved, That the House do now resolve itself into a Committee to consider the Ways and Means for raising the Supply to be granted to His Majesty.  
Question—put and passed.
5. **WAYS AND MEANS RESOLUTION.**—The House then resolved itself into the Committee of Ways and Means.

*(In the Committee.)*

SUPPLY BILL (No. 4) 1919-20.

*Resolved*, on the motion of Mr. Hughes—That, towards making good the Supply granted to His Majesty for the services of the year 1919-20, there be granted out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund a sum not exceeding £5,727,180.

Resolution to be reported, and leave asked to sit again.

The House resumed ; Mr. Chanter reported accordingly.

Resolved—That the House will, to-morrow, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Resolution reported from the Committee was read, and, on the motion of Mr. Hughes, was adopted by the House.

Ordered—That Mr. Hughes and Sir Joseph Cook do prepare and bring in a Bill to carry out the foregoing Resolution.

6. **SUPPLY BILL (No. 4) 1919-20.**—Mr. Hughes then brought up a Bill intituled "*A Bill for an Act to grant and apply a sum out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund for the service of the year ending the thirtieth day of June One thousand nine hundred and twenty,*" and moved, That it be now read a first time.
- Question—put and passed.—Bill read a first time.
- Mr. Hughes moved, That the Bill be now read a second time.
- Debate ensued.
- Question—put and passed.—Bill read a second time.
- Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole.

*(In the Committee.)*

Clause 1 agreed to.

Clause 2 debated—

Progress to be reported, and leave asked to sit again.

The House resumed ; Mr. Chanter reported accordingly.

Resolved—That the House will, to-morrow, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

7. **PAPER.**—The following Paper was presented, pursuant to Statute—  
Audit Act—Transfers of Amounts approved by the Governor-General in Council—Financial Year 1918-19—Dated 4th February, 1920.
8. **ADJOURNMENT.**—Mr. Hughes moved, That the House do now adjourn.  
Question—put and passed.

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

**MEMBERS PRESENT.**—All Members were present (at some time during the sitting) except—Mr. Charlton\*, Mr. Livingston\*, Mr. Poynton, and Mr. Riley.

\* On leave.

WALTER A. GALE,  
Clerk of the House of Representatives.