## THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA.

#### No. 40.

## VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

# HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

### WEDNESDAY, 7TH JULY, 1920.

- 1. The House met, at three o'clock p.m., pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair, and read Prayers.
- 2. PAPERS.—The following Papers were presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor-General— Northern Territory-Correspondence relating to Report of Royal Commission.

Statistical Conference (British Empire) - Report and Resolutions accompanied by Explanatory Memorandum and Observations by the Commonwealth Statistician.

Severally ordered to lie on the Table, and to be printed.

The following Papers were presented, pursuant to Statute-

Ordinance of 1919-No. 10-Deputy Judges (Appointment).

Ordinances of 1920--

No. 4.—Supplementary Appropriation 1918-19.
No. 5.—Supplementary Appropriation (No. 1) 1919-20.
Public Service Act—Appointments and Promotions—
H. G. Connell, Department of Works and Railways.

- F. K. Steedman, Prime Minister's Department.
- 3. MINISTERIAL STATEMENT-LOANS.-Sir Joseph Cook, by leave, made a Ministerial Statement with reference to previous and future loans.

Mr. Tudor, by leave, also made a statement with reference to the matter.

4. INSTITUTE OF SCIENCE AND INDUSTRY BILL.—The Order of the Day having been read for the second reading-Mr. Greene moved, That the Bill be now read a second time-

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

Question—That the debate be now adjourned—put and passed.

- Ordered—That the resumption of the debate be made an Order of the Day for to-morrow.
- 5. NAVIGATION BILL (1920).—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-Debute resumed.

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.

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Mr. Riley Mr. Ryan

Mr. Stewart

Tellers:

Mr. Tudor Mr. West

Mr. Fenton

Mr. Watkins

Mr. Blakeley

Mr. Brennan

Mr. Considine Mr. Cunningham Mr. Gabb

Mr. Lazzarini Mr. Mahony Mr. Mathews

Mr. Nicholls

Mr. Parker Molone /

#### (In the Committee.)

Clause 1 agreed to.

Clause 2 debated and agreed to.

Clauses 3 and 4 agreed to.

Clause 5 debated-

Question-That the clause be agreed to-put.

The Committee divided-

Ayes, 52.	
Mr. Atkinson	Mr. Hill
Mr. Bamford	Mr. Jackson
Mr. Bell	Mr. Jowett
Mr. Bowden	Mr. Lister
Mr. Chanter	Mr. Livingston
Mr. Austin Chapman	Mr. Mackay
Sir Joseph Cook	Mr. Earle Page
Mr. Robert Cook	Mr. Prowse
Mr. Corser	Mr. Rodgers
Mr. R. W. Foster	Sir Granville Ryrie
Mr. Francis	Mr. Laird Smith
Mr. Gibson	Mr. Wienholt
Mr. Greene	Mr. Wise

Mr. Higgs Mr. Story And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Clauses 6 to 11 agreed to.

Clause 12 debated and agreed to.

Clause 13 debated-

Mr. Gregory Mr. Groom Mr. Hay

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

The House resumed; Mr. Chanter reported accordingly.

Tellers:Mr. Burchell

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

- 6. POSTPONEMENT OF BUSINESS.—Ordered, That the remaining Orders of the Day be postponed until after the consideration of the Notice of Motion, Government Business.
- 7. Public Works Committee—Reference of Work—Mobilization and \end{and \end{and \end{and Vehicle Stores}}, Midland Junction.—Mr. Groom moved, pursuant to notice, That, in accordance with the provisions of the Commonwealth Public Works Committee Act 1913-1914, the following work be referred to the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Public Works for their report thereon, viz.:--Mobilization and Vehicle Stores at Midland Junction, Western Australia, with necessary railway connexion, water supply, &c.

That the Committee be empowered to sit whilst the House is sitting.

Mr Groom having laid on the Table, Plans, &c., in connexion with the proposed work-Debate ensued.

Question-put and passed.

8. Adjournment.—Sir Joseph Cook moved, That the House do now adjourn. Debate ensued.

Question—put and passed.

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

MEMBERS PRESENT, -All Members were present (at some time during the sitting) except-Mr. Anstey, Mr. Lavelle, Mr. Mahon, Mr. Maxwell\*, Mr. McWilliams, Mr. James Page, and Mr. Watt. \* On leave.

WALTER A. GALE, Clerk of the House of Representatives