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THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA.

No. 41.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

THURSDAY, 8TH JULY, 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—
Public Service Act—Department of Trade and Customs—Appointments of—
G. A. Blumer and J. P. Farrell.
G. A. Murray and C. J. Middleton.
3. DESTITUTE ALLOWANCE.—The Order of the Day having been read for the resumption of the debate on the following motion of Mr. W. Maloney :—
 - (1) That this House is of opinion that the Invalid and Old-age Pensions Act should be amended in order to provide for a destitute allowance to be made to all inhabitants who are destitute, so that any person making a statutory declaration (to a postmaster, Customs officer, or other appointed Commonwealth official, a schoolmaster, a union secretary, a magistrate, or other appointed individual) that he or she is insufficiently fed, clothed, or sheltered, shall be paid as soon as possible the sum of 15s. per week, and for each child 7s. 6d. per week, until relieved.
 - (2) That the passing of the foregoing resolution be an instruction to the Government of the Commonwealth to bring in the necessary amending Act—

Debate resumed.

Mr. Lazzarini addressing the House, and not having concluded his speech, the House ordered that he have leave to continue his speech when the debate is resumed.

Ordered—That the debate be now adjourned, and that the resumption of the debate be made an Order of the Day for Thursday next.

The time allowed for precedence to Orders of the Day, General Business, having terminated, Notices of Motion, General Business, were called on.

4. INTERNMENT CAMPS—CONTROL AND MANAGEMENT—SELECT COMMITTEE.—Mr. Gabb moved, pursuant to notice, That a Select Committee be appointed, with power to send for persons, papers, and records, and to move from place to place, to inquire into—(a) the control and management of internment camps, including the expenditure in connexion therewith; (b) the treatment of internees; and (c) to investigate the circumstances in connexion with the internment of any native-born or naturalized subject who, by statutory declaration, affirms that he has reasonable grounds for believing, and does believe, his internment to have been the result of untruthful information maliciously furnished to the authorities in his regard.

Debate ensued.

Mr. Considine, addressing the House, and not having concluded his speech, the House ordered that he have leave to continue his speech when the debate is resumed.

Ordered—That the debate be now adjourned, and that the resumption of the debate be made an Order of the Day for Thursday next.

The time allowed for precedence of General Business having terminated, Government Business was called on.

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5. NAVIGATION BILL (1920).—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.

(In the Committee.)

Clause 13 further debated—

Mr. Tudor moved, as an amendment, That the words "shipwrights or ship's carpenters," (line 8 of page 4) be omitted from the clause.

Debate ensued.

Question—That the words proposed to be omitted stand part of the clause—put.

The Committee divided—

Ayes, 30.		Noes, 9.	
Mr. Atkinson	Mr. Hill	Mr. Considine	Mr. Tudor
Mr. Bayley	Mr. Jackson	Mr. Cunningham	
Mr. Bell	Mr. Jowett	Mr. Gabb	
Mr. Donald Cameron	Mr. Lister	Mr. Lazzarini	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. Charlton	Mr. Livingston-	Mr. Mathews	Mr. Brennan
Sir Joseph Cook	Mr. Mackay	Mr. Ryan	Mr. Mahony
Mr. Robert Cook	Mr. Earle Page		
Mr. Corser	Mr. Prowse		
Mr. R. W. Foster	Mr. Rodgers		
Mr. Fowler	Mr. Laird Smith		
Mr. Francis	Mr. Wienholt		
Mr. Gibson	Mr. Wise		
Mr. Greene			
Mr. Gregory	<i>Tellers:</i>		
Mr. Groom	Mr. Burchell		
Mr. Higgs	Mr. Story		

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Clause agreed to.

Clause 14—

Mr. Tudor moved, as an amendment, That the words "A shipwright or ship's carpenter to have a certificate of competency." be added to the clause.

Debate ensued.

Question—put.

The Committee divided—

Ayes, 15.		Noes, 33.	
Mr. Blakeley	Mr. Riley	Mr. Atkinson	Mr. Jowett
Mr. Brennan	Mr. Ryan	Mr. Bayley	Mr. Lister
Mr. Considine	Mr. Tudor	Mr. Bell	Mr. Livingston
Mr. Cunningham	Mr. West	Mr. Donald Cameron	Mr. Mackay
Mr. Gabb		Mr. Austin Chapman	Mr. Marks
Mr. Lamond	<i>Tellers:</i>	Sir Joseph Cook	Mr. Marr
Mr. Lazzarini	Mr. Mahony	Mr. Robert Cook	Mr. Earle Page
Mr. Parker Moloney	Mr. Mathews	Mr. Corser	Mr. Prowse
Mr. Nicholls		Mr. R. W. Foster	Mr. Rodgers
		Mr. Fowler	Sir Granville Ryrie
		Mr. Francis	Mr. Laird Smith
		Mr. Gibson	Mr. Wienholt
		Mr. Greene	Mr. Wise
		Mr. Gregory	
		Mr. Groom	
		Mr. Higgs	<i>Tellers:</i>
		Mr. Hill	Mr. Burchell
		Mr. Jackson	Mr. Story

And so it was negatived.

Clause agreed to.

Clause 15

Mr. Tudor moved, as an amendment, That the words "or certificate showing his right to be rated in the capacity in which he desires to be shipped;" be omitted from the clause.

Debate ensued.

Amendment negatived.

Clause agreed to.

Clauses 16 and 17 agreed to.

Clause 18 debated and agreed to.

Clauses 19, 20 and 21 agreed to.

Clause 22 debated.

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Mr. Gabb moved, as an amendment, That the word "one" (line 37) be omitted, with a view to the insertion of the word "three" in place thereof.

Debate continued.

Amendment, by leave, temporarily withdrawn.

Mr. Charlton moved, as an amendment, That the words of the proviso up to and inclusive of the word "exceed" (line 37) be omitted from the clause.

Question—That the words proposed to be omitted stand part of the clause—put.

The Committee divided—

Ayes, 26.		Noes, 21.	
Mr. Bayley	Mr. Livingston	Mr. Blakeley	Mr. Parker Moloney
Mr. Bell	Mr. Mackay	Mr. Brennan	Mr. Nicholls
Mr. Donald Cameron	Mr. Marks	Mr. Austin Chapman	Mr. Earle Page
Sir Joseph Cook	Mr. Marr	Mr. Charlton	Mr. Riley
Mr. Robert Cook	Mr. Prowse	Mr. Considine	Mr. Ryan
Mr. Corser	Mr. Rodgers	Mr. Cunningham	Mr. Tudor
Mr. R. W. Foster	Sir Granville Ryrie	Mr. Francis	Mr. West
Mr. Fowler	Mr. Laird Smith	Mr. Gabb	
Mr. Gibson	Mr. Wienholt	Mr. Hill	
Mr. Greene	Mr. Wise	Mr. Lazzarini	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. Gregory		Mr. Lister	Mr. Lamond
Mr. Groom	<i>Tellers:</i>	Mr. Mathews	Mr. Mahony
Mr. Jackson	Mr. Burchell		
Mr. Jowett	Mr. Story		

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Mr. Gabb moved, as an amendment, That the word "one" (line 37) be omitted, with a view to the insertion of the word "three" in place thereof.

Debate ensued.

Clause postponed.

Clause 23 agreed to.

Clause 24 debated and agreed to.

Clause 25 debated and agreed to.

Clauses 26 to 29 agreed to.

Clause 30 debated and agreed to.

Clauses 31, 32, and 33 agreed to.

Clause 34 debated and agreed to.

Clauses 35 to 49 agreed to.

Clause 50 debated and agreed to.

Clauses 51 to 55 agreed to.

Clause 56 debated and agreed to.

Clauses 57 to 60 agreed to.

Clause 61 debated and agreed to.

Clauses 62 and 63 agreed to.

Clause 64 debated and agreed to.

Clauses 65 to 72 agreed to.

Clause 73—

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.

6. ADJOURNMENT.—Sir Joseph Cook moved, That the House do now adjourn.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and passed.

And then the House, at nineteen minutes to 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. Anstey, Mr. Lavelle, Mr. Mahon, Mr. Maxwell*, Mr. McWilliams, Mr. James Page, Mr. Poynton, Mr. Stewart, and Mr. Watt.

* On leave.

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