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THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA.

No. 51.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

FRIDAY, 30TH JULY, 1920.

1. The House met, at eleven o'clock a.m., pursuant to adjournment.
2. **ABSENCE OF MR. SPEAKER.**—The Clerk, at the Table, having informed the House that Mr. Speaker was unavoidably absent, the Chairman of Committees took the Chair as Deputy-Speaker, and read Prayers.
3. **GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—PRECEDENCE TO.**—Mr. Hughes moved, pursuant to notice, That on each sitting day, unless otherwise ordered, Government Business shall take precedence of General Business.

Debate ensued.

Mr. Gabb moved, as an amendment, That all the words after the word "That" be omitted, with a view to the insertion of the words "this House meet on Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday of each week" in place thereof.

Amendment ruled out of order.

Debate continued on the main question.

Mr. Nicholls moved, as an amendment, That the words "save one" be inserted after the word "day", and that the words "and that there shall be an additional sitting day on Tuesday of each week" be added to the motion.

Amendment ruled out of order.

Point of Order.—A Point of Order having been raised that the amendment should not have been ruled out of order, Mr. Nicholls handed in in writing the following objection to the ruling:—That Mr. Deputy-Speaker's ruling—that on the motion of the Prime Minister—"That on each sitting day, unless otherwise ordered, Government Business shall take precedence of General Business"—the amendment moved to insert "save one" after "day" and to add at the end of the motion "and that there shall be an additional sitting day on Tuesday of each week"—was out of order—be disagreed to.

The debate thereon was forthwith adjourned to the next sitting day.

Question—That on each sitting day, unless otherwise ordered, Government Business shall take precedence of General Business—put.

The House divided—

Ayes, 29.

Mr. Bamford	Mr. Lister
Mr. Bell	Mr. Marks
Sir Robert Best	Mr. Marr
Mr. Blundell	Mr. Maxwell
Mr. Bowden	Mr. McWilliams
Mr. Donald Cameron	Mr. Poynton
Mr. Charlton	Mr. Prowse
Sir Joseph Cook	Mr. Rodgers
Mr. Robert Cook	Sir Granville Ryrie
Mr. R. W. Foster	Mr. Laird Smith
Mr. Francis	Mr. Wise
Mr. Greene	
Mr. Higgs	
Mr. Hughes	
Mr. Jackson	
Mr. Jowett	

Tellers:

Mr. Burchell
Mr. Story

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Mr. Brennan	Mr. Nicholls
Mr. Considine	Mr. Ryan
Mr. Cunningham	Mr. Tudor
Mr. Gabb	Mr. West
Mr. Lazzarini	
Mr. Makin	
Mr. W. Maloney	
Mr. McDonald	

Tellers:

Mr. J. H. Catts
Mr. Mahony

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

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4. MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.—PAPUA BILL (1920).—Mr. Deputy-Speaker announced the receipt of the following Message from the Senate :—

MR. SPEAKER,

Message No. 33.

The Senate has passed a Bill for “ *An Act to amend Section Twenty of the ‘ Papua Act 1905’*,” and transmits the same to the House of Representatives for its concurrence.

THOS. GIVENS,
President.

The Senate,
Melbourne, 30th July, 1920.

Mr. Poynton moved, That the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message be now read a first time.
Question—put and passed.—Bill read a first time.

Ordered—That the second reading be made an Order of the Day for Wednesday next.

5. MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.—CENSUS AND STATISTICS BILL (1920).—Mr. Deputy-Speaker announced the receipt of the following Message from the Senate :—

MR. SPEAKER,

Message No. 34.

The Senate has passed a Bill for “ *An Act to amend the ‘ Census and Statistics Act 1905’*,” and transmits the same to the House of Representatives for its concurrence.

THOS. GIVENS,
President.

The Senate,
Melbourne, 30th July, 1920.

Mr. Poynton moved, That the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message be now read a first time.
Question—put and passed.—Bill read a first time.

Ordered—That the second reading be made an Order of the Day for Wednesday next.

6. SUPPLY RESOLUTION [SUPPLY BILL].—The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.

(*In the Committee.*)

SUPPLY BILL (No. 2) 1920–21.

Debate resumed on the following motion of Sir Joseph Cook—That there be granted to His Majesty for or towards defraying the services of the year 1920–21 a sum not exceeding £2,367,826.

Mr. Riley moved, as an amendment, That the sum be reduced by the amount of £1.

Debate continued.

Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Debate on main question continued.

Question—put and passed.

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

The House resumed ; Mr. Bamford reported accordingly.

Resolved—That the House will, at its next sitting, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

7. SUSPENSION OF STANDING ORDERS.—Sir Joseph Cook moved, pursuant to contingent notice, That the Standing Orders be suspended to enable the remaining stages to be passed without delay.
Question—put and passed.

8. SUPPLY RESOLUTION.—The Resolution reported from the Committee of Supply was read, and, on the motion of Sir Joseph Cook, was adopted by the House.

9. WAYS AND MEANS RESOLUTION.—The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Ways and Means.

(*In the Committee.*)

SUPPLY BILL (No. 2) 1920–21.

Resolved, on the motion of Sir Joseph Cook—That, towards making good the Supply granted to His Majesty for the services of the year 1920–21, there be granted out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund a sum not exceeding £2,367,826.

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

The House resumed ; Mr. Watkins reported accordingly.

Resolved—That the House will, at its next sitting, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Resolution reported from the Committee was read, and, on the motion of Sir Joseph Cook, was adopted by the House.

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

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10. SUPPLY BILL (No. 2) 1920-21.—Sir Joseph Cook 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-one,*” and moved, That it be now read a first time.

Question—put and passed.—Bill read a first time.

Sir Joseph Cook moved, That the Bill be now read a second time.

Question—put and passed.—Bill read a second time.

Mr. Deputy-Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole.

(In the Committee.)

Clause 1 agreed to.

Clause 2—

Mr. Ryan moved, as an amendment, That the following words be inserted after the word “Act” (line 12):—

“provided that no moneys shall be expended or applied under the authority of this Act for the purposes of effecting any further deportations of residents of Australia without being first found guilty after having a charge laid against them, and being afforded the opportunity of a public trial by jury in accordance with the principles of British justice”.

Debate ensued.

Question—That the words proposed to be inserted be so inserted—put.

The Committee divided—

Ayes, 12.

Mr. Charlton	Mr. Ryan
Mr. Considine	Mr. Tudor
Mr. Cunningham	Mr. West
Mr. Lazzarini	
Mr. Mahony	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. W. Maloney	Mr. McGrath
Mr. Nicholls	Mr. Riley

Noes, 25.

Mr. Bamford	Mr. Marks
Mr. Bell	Mr. Marr
Sir Robert Best	Mr. Maxwell
Mr. Blundell	Mr. Poynton
Mr. Bowden	Mr. Prowse
Mr. Donald Cameron	Mr. Rodgers
Sir Joseph Cook	Sir Granville Ryrie
Mr. Fleming	Mr. Laird Smith
Mr. R. W. Foster	Mr. Wise
Mr. Francis	
Mr. Greene	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. Higgs	Mr. Burchell
Mr. Hughes	Mr. Story
Mr. Lister	

And so it was negatived.

Clause agreed to.

Clauses 3 and 4 agreed to.

Schedule agreed to.

Preamble agreed to.

Title agreed to.

Bill to be reported without amendment.

The House resumed; Mr. Watkins reported accordingly.

On the motion of Sir Joseph Cook, the House adopted the Report, and the Bill was read a third time.

11. MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.—UNLAWFUL ASSEMBLIES BILL.—Mr. Deputy-Speaker announced the receipt of the following Message from the Senate:—

MR. SPEAKER,

Message No. 35.

The Senate has passed a Bill for “*An Act to prohibit meetings for unlawful purposes in the vicinity of the Parliament and for other purposes,*” and transmits the same to the House of Representatives for its concurrence.

The Senate,
Melbourne, 30th July, 1920.

THOS. GIVENS,
President.

Sir Joseph Cook moved, That the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message be now read a first time.

Question—put and passed.—Bill read a first time.

Ordered—That the second reading be made an Order of the Day for Wednesday next.

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12. ADJOURNMENT.—Sir Joseph Cook moved, That the House do now adjourn.
Question—put and passed.

And then the House, at fourteen minutes past four o'clock p.m., adjourned until Wednesday next at three o'clock p.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT.—All Members were present (at some time during the sitting) except Mr. Anstey*, Mr. Atkinson, Mr. Bayley, Mr. Blakeley, Mr. Bruce, Mr. Austin Chapman, Mr. Corser, Mr. Fowler, Mr. Gibson, Mr. Gregory, Mr. Groom, Mr. Hay, Sir Elliot Johnson, Mr. Lamond, Mr. Lavelle, Mr. Livingston, Mr. Mackay, Mr. Mahon, Mr. Mathews, Mr. Parker Moloney, Mr. Earle Page, Mr. James Page*, Mr. Stewart, Mr. Watt*, and Mr. Wienholt.

* On leave.

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