THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA.

No. 128.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

THURSDAY, 5TH MAY, 1921.

- 1. The House met, at half-past two o'clock p.m., pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair, and read Prayers.
- 2. MINISTERIAL STATEMENT—WOOL GROWING INDUSTRY, &c.—Motion for Printing Paper.—The Order of the Day having been read for the resumption of the debate on the following motion of Mr. Hughes, That the Paper [presented on the 28th ultimo], viz.:—

Wool—Resolutions of a meeting of wool growers held at Parkes (New South Wales) on the 23rd April, 1921, with reference to the Wool Growing Industry—

be printed—

Debate resumed.

Mr. Cunningham moved, as an amendment, That the following words be added to the motion :-

"and, in the opinion of this House, it is advisable that the Government immediately enter into negotiations with the Imperial authorities for the purpose of having all B.A.W.R.A. wool withheld from sale for a period of at least two years".

Debate continued,

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

The House divided-

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Mr. Anstey Sir Robert Best Mr. Makin Mr. Bayley Mr. Bayley Mr. Charlton Mr. Cunningham Mr. Fenton Mr. Gabb Mr. Riley Mr. Corser Mr. Corser Mr. Fleming Mr. Foley Mr. R. W. Fost Mr. Gregory Mr. Gregory	Mr. Lamond Mr. Lister Mr. Livingston Mr. Mackay Mr. W. Maloney Mr. Earle Page Mr. James Page Mr. Prowse Mr. Rodgers
Mr. Groom Mr. Higgs	Tellers:
Mr. Higgs Mr. Hill Mr. Jackson	Mr. Burchell Mr. Story

And so it was negatived.

Question—That the Paper be printed—put and passed.

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- 3. WOOL—RESOLUTION TEMPORARILY PROHIBITING EXPORTATION EXCEPT UNDER CERTAIN CONDITIONS.— Sir Joseph Cook moved, by leave:—
 - 1. That this House approves of the issue of a Proclamation under the Customs Act 1901-1920 prohibiting for a period not exceeding six months the exportation of wool from the ·Commonwealth unless-
 - (a) in the case of wool purchased within the Commonwealth, a price, not lower than the price agreed upon as the official reserve in respect of wool of that type, is paid by the purchaser either at auction or by private treaty; and
 - (b) in the case of wool consigned for sale overseas, security is given to the satisfaction of the Minister for Trade and Customs that the wool will not be sold, either publicly or privately, at a price lower than the equivalent of the price agreed upon as the official reserve, in respect of wool of that type, plus the freight and other charges on the wool from the port of shipment in Australia to the place of sale overseas:

Provided that the price agreed upon as the official reserve in respect of wool of each type shall be such a price as will produce an average price of eightpence per pound for an average Australian wool clip, and that such official reserve shall be determined by the British Australian Wool Realization Association Limited in accordance with the principles upon which the prices of wool were determined by the Central Wool Committee during the period of sales to the British Government.

2. That this Resolution be forwarded to the Senate for its concurrence.

Motion amended, by leave, after debate, by the insertion of the words "and not consigned for sale overseas," after the word "Commonwealth" in paragraph (a).

Question—That the motion, as amended, be agreed to—put.

The House divided—

Mr. Bayley

Ayes, 30. Mr. Atkinson

Mr. Jowett Mr. Lamond Mr. Lister

Mr. James Page

Mr. Prowse

Mr. Bell Mr. Livingston Mr. Blundell Mr. Bowden Mr. Mackay Mr. Earle Page Mr. Donald Cameron

Mr. Chanter Sir Joseph Cook

Mr. Rodgers Mr. Corser Sir Granville Ryrie Mr. Foley Mr. R. W. Foster Mr. Laird Smith

Mr. Francis

Mr. Wise Mr. Greene

Mr. Gregory Mr. Hill Mr. Jackson Tellers:

Mr. Burchell Mr. Story

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

4. Paper.—The following Paper was presented, pursuant to Statute— Treaty of Peace (Germany) Act—Regulations Amended—Statutory Rules 1921, No. 85.

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

And then the House, at twenty-three minutes to twelve o'clock midnight adjourned until to-morrow at eleven o'clock a.m.

Members Present.—All Members were present (at some time during the sitting) except.—Mr. Bamford, Mr. Bruce, Mr. Austin Chapman, Mr. Robert Cook, Mr. Gibson, Mr. Hughes, Mr. Lazzarini, Mr. Mahony, Mr. Marks, Mr. Marr, Mr. McDonald, Mr. McWilliams, Mr. Nicholls, Mr. Poynton, Mr. Ryan, Mr. Stewart, and Mr. Tudor.

WALTER A. GALE,

Clerk of the House of Representatives.

Noes, 3.

Mr. Charlton

Tellers:

Mr. Makin

Mr. Cunningham