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THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH.

No. 37.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

WEDNESDAY, 24TH JULY, 1901.

- 1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair, and read Prayers.
- 2. Petition.—Mr. Piesse presented a Petition from Elizabeth W. Nicholls and Jessie S. Rooke, styling themselves President and Secretary respectively of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union of Australasia, praying that a clause be inserted in the Defence Bill prohibiting the sale of intoxicating drinks at all military canteens throughout Australia.

 Petition received and read.
- 3. Message from the Senate—Service and Execution of Process Bill.—Mr. Speaker announced the receipt of the following Message from the Senate:—

MR. SPEAKER,

Message No. 10.

The Senate has passed a Bill intituled "An Act to provide for the Service and Execution throughout the Commonwealth of the Civil and Criminal Process and the Judyments of the Courts of the States and of other parts of the Commonwealth, and for other purposes connected therewith," to which it desires the concurrence of the House of Representatives.

R. C. BAKER, President.

The Senate,

Melbourne, 19th July, 1901.

4. Service and Execution of Process Bill.—Mr. Barton moved, That the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message, intituled "A Bill for an Act to provide for the Service and Execution throughout the Commonwealth of the Civil and Criminal Process and the Judgments of the Courts of the States and of other parts of the Commonwealth, and for other purposes connected therewith," be now read a first time.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a first time. Ordered—That the second reading be made an Order of the Day for to-morrow.

5. Message from His Excellency the Governor-General—Customs Bill.—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor-General was presented by Mr. Kingston, and the same was read by Mr. Speaker:—

HOPETOUN,

Governor-General.

Message No. 12.

In accordance with the requirements of section 56 of the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Australia, the Governor-General recommends to the House of Representatives that an appropriation of Revenue be made for the purposes of a Bill relating to the Customs.

Melbourne, 24th July, 1901.

Ordered to lie on the Table, and to be taken into consideration in Committee of the whole House to-morrow.

6. State Laws and Records Recognition Bill.—The Order of the Day for the further consideration of this Bill in Committee of the whole House having been read—Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Chanter reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill and agreed to the same with amendments.

Ordered-That the consideration of the Report be made an Order of the Day for to-morrow.

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whole House having been read—Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a
Committee of the Whole.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Chanter reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill and agreed to the same with amendments.

Ordered—That the consideration of the Report be made an Order of the Day for to-morrow.

8. Defence Bill.—The Order of the Day for the resumption of the debate on the question, That this Bill be now read a second time, having been read—

Debate resumed.

Sir Edward Braddon moved, That the debate be now adjourned.

Question—That the debate be now adjourned—put and resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered—That the resumption of the debate be an Order of the Day for to-morrow.

9. Excise on Beer Bill.—Mr. Kingston, pursuant to an Order of the House made on 11th July instant, brought up a Bill intituled "A Bill relating to Excise on Beer," and moved, That it be now read a first time.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a first time.

Ordered—That the second reading be made an Order of the Day for to-morrow.

- 10. Postponement of Orders of the Day.—Ordered, That the consideration of Orders of the Day Nos. 4 to 13 inclusive be postponed until to-morrow.
- 11. Commonwealth Officers not Transferred from State Service.—Mr. Fuller moved, pursuant to notice, That there be laid before this House a Return showing the names of all persons appointed by the Federal Government to positions in the Commonwealth service who were not transferred from any State service, and the salaries paid to each respectively.

 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
- 12. Adjournment.—Mr. Barton moved, That the House do now adjourn. Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
- And then the House, at thirty-five minutes past ten o'clock p.m., adjourned until to-morrow at half-past two o'clock p.m.

Members Present.—All Members were present except—The Attorney-General (The Honorable Alfred Deakin), The Minister of Home Affairs (The Honorable Sir William Lyne, K.C.M.G.), The Minister of Defence (The Right Honorable Sir John Forrest, P.C., G.C.M.G.), Messrs. Brown, Conroy, Cruickshank, Ewing, Glynn, Kennedy, Knox, Macdonald-Paterson, McColl, F. E. McLean, Sir William McMillan, Messrs. Ronald, Bruce Smith, Spence, and Watkins.

C. GAVAN DUFFY,

Clerk of the House of Representatives.