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THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH.

No. 59.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

WEDNESDAY, 4TH SEPTEMBER, 1901.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair, and read Prayers.
2. PETITIONS.—Mr. Glynn presented a Petition from certain electors of the Commonwealth, praying that the House will sanction a federal project for the improvement of the navigability and conservation of the waters of the Rivers Murray and Darling, together constituting channels for Inter-State commerce.
Petition received and read.
Petitions, praying that the House will pass clauses 54 and 55 of the Post and Telegraph Bill, which will withhold postal facilities for promoting lotteries, fortune-telling, and other unlawful pursuits, were presented—
By Mr. Knox—
From certain residents of East Kew and Balwyn.
By Mr. McColl—
From certain residents of Rushworth.
Petitions severally received.
3. ADJOURNMENT—HOUR OF MEETING FOR NEXT SITTING.—Mr. Barton moved, That the House, at its rising, adjourn until to-morrow, at three o'clock p.m.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
4. PAPER.—The following Paper was laid upon the Table by the Clerk :—
Mails *vid* Albany or *vid* Fremantle.—Return to an Order of the House, dated 30th August, 1901.
Ordered to lie on the Table.
5. MEMBER AUTHORIZED TO GIVE EVIDENCE BEFORE A STATE SELECT COMMITTEE.—Mr. Barton moved, by leave, That leave be given to the Right Honorable Sir George Turner, if he thinks fit, to attend and be examined by the Select Committee of the Legislative Assembly of the State of Victoria appointed to inquire into and report upon the case of Walter Reynolds.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
6. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered, That the consideration of Order of the Day No. 1 be postponed until after the consideration of Orders of the Day, Nos. 2 and 3, and that the consideration of Order of the Day No. be postponed until after the consideration of Order of the Day No. 3.

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7. SERVICE AND EXECUTION OF PROCESS 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.

Mr. Deakin moved, by leave, That the Bill be now recommitted to a Committee of the whole House for the reconsideration of clauses 2, 3, 5, 7, 8, 9, 10, 16, 20, and 25.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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 reconsidered the portions of the Bill referred to it, and had agreed to the same with further amendments.

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

8. POST AND TELEGRAPH 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.

Sir Philip Fysh moved, by leave, That the Bill be now recommitted to a Committee of the whole House for the reconsideration of clauses 14, 15, 26, 27, 78, 82, 84, 93, 126, 137, 146, and 149.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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 made progress in the portions of the Bill referred to it, and that he was directed to ask, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

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

9. ADJOURNMENT.—Mr. Barton moved, That the House do now adjourn.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

And then the House, at eleven o'clock p.m., adjourned until to-morrow at three o'clock p.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT.—All Members were present except—The Minister of Home Affairs (the Honorable Sir William Lyne, K.C.M.G.), Messrs. Brown, Cameron, Clarke, Joseph Cook, R. Edwards, Ewing, Macdonald-Paterson, F. E. McLean, the Right Honorable G. H. Reid, P.C., Messrs. Bruce Smith, Sydney Smith, and Spence.

C. GAVAN DUFFY,
Clerk of the House of Representatives.