## THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH.

No. 86.

## **VOTES** AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

## HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

## FRIDAY, 25TH OCTOBER, 1901.

- 1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair, and read Prayers.
- 2. WANT OF CONFIDENCE IN THE GOVERNMENT FINANCIAL AND TABIFF PROPOSALS.—The Order of the Day for the resumption of the debate on the question—
  - (1) That this House cannot accept the Financial and Tariff proposals submitted by the Government—
    - (a) Because they would place the finances of the Commonwealth and the States upon an unsound and extravagant basis.
    - (b) Because they fail to adjust the burdens of taxation and the advantages of the free list in an equitable manner, revealing a marked tendency, which this House regrets to observe, to press upon necessaries of life and appliances used in our farming, mining, and pastoral industries more heavily than they do upon many articles of luxury.
    - (c) And because they would in their operation destroy the stability of the Revenue by making imposts for national purposes a source of undue profit to a few individuals, and a few favoured industries, at the expense of the whole community.
  - (2) That the foregoing resolutions be conveyed, by Address, to His Excellency the Governor-General—

having been read—

Debate resumed.

Mr. Fuller 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 made an Order of the Day for Tuesday next.

3. ADJOURNMENT.—Mr. Kingston moved, That the House do now adjourn.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

And then the House, at three minutes past four o'clock p.m., adjourned until Tuesday next, at half-past two o'clock p.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT.—All Members were present except—Messrs. Bamford, Batchelor, Sir Langdon Bonython, the Right Honorable Sir Edward Braddon, P.C., Messrs. Ewing, A. C. Groom, Hughes, Isaacs, Kennedy, McColl, Sir Malcolm McEacharn, the Right Honorable G. H. Reid, P.C., and Mr. Thomson.

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