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THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH.

No. 120.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

THURSDAY, 23RD JANUARY, 1902.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair, and read Prayers.
2. PETITION.—Mr. Crouch presented a Petition from certain employés in the woollen manufacturing industry of Geelong, praying that the rate of duty fixed at 15 per cent. *ad valorem* on woollen piece goods may be reviewed and fixed at not less than 20 per cent. *ad valorem*.
Petition received and read.
3. WAYS AND MEANS.—The Order of the Day for going into the Committee of Ways and Means, having been read—
Question proposed (pursuant to the provisions of Standing Order No. 241)—That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair.
Debate ensued.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
Whereupon Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into the Committee of Ways and Means.
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Chanter reported that the Committee had made progress, 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.
4. PAPER.—Mr. Barton presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor-General—
Australian foodstuffs and horses for the use of the Admiralty and the War Office—Correspondence, being Minutes from the Prime Minister to His Excellency the Governor-General for transmission to the Secretary of State for the Colonies relating to supplies of.
Ordered to lie on the Table, and to be printed.
5. ADJOURNMENT.—Mr. Barton moved, That the House do now adjourn.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

And then the House, at five minutes to eleven o'clock p.m., adjourned until to-morrow, at half-past ten o'clock a.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT.—All Members were present except—The Minister of Defence (the Right Honorable Sir John Forrest, P.C., G.C.M.G.), the Right Honorable Sir Edward Braddon, P.C., Messrs. Cameron, Macdonald-Paterson, Sir William McMillan, Messrs. Piesse and Spence.

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