THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH.

No. 148.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

TUESDAY, 18TH MARCH, 1902.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.-Mr. Speaker took the Chair, and read Prayers.

2. LEAVE OF ABSENCE TO MEMBER (Mr. BRUCE SMITH) .- Sir William McMillan moved, by leave, That leave of absence for one month be granted to the honorable Member for Parkes (Mr. Bruce Smith).

Question-put and resolved in the affirmative.

3. JUDICIARY BILL.-The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read-Mr. Deakin moved, That the Bill be now read a second time.

Sir William McMillan 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 Wednesday, 2nd April next.

- 4. PUBLIC SERVICE BILL-SENATE'S AMENDMENTS .- The Order of the Day for the consideration in Committee of the whole House of the amendments made by the Senate in this Bill 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 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.
- -Mr. Deakin moved, That the House do now adjourn. 5. Adjournment.-Debate ensued. Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
- And then the House, at two minutes to eleven o'clock p.m., adjourned until to-morrow, at half-past two o'clock p.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT.—All Members were present except—The Prime Minister (the Right Honorable Edmund Barton, P.C.), the Minister of Trade and Customs (the Right Honorable C. C. Kingston, P.C.), the Honorable Sir Philip Fysh, K.C.M.G., Messrs. Batchelor, Chapman, Clarke, Hume Cook, Cruickshank, R. Edwards, Ewing, Glynn, Kennedy, Mahon, F. E. McLean, Phillips, the Right Honorable G. H. Reid, P.C., Messrs. Salmon, Sawers, Bruce Smith, Sydney Smith, V. L. Solomon, Spence, Thomas, Watkins, Wilkinson, and Willis.

C. GAVAN DUFFY,

Clerk of the House of Representatives.

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