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THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH.

No. 155.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

THURSDAY, 3RD APRIL, 1902.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair, and read Prayers.
2. PAPER.—Mr. Barton presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor-General—
 “Tattersall,” Hobart—Correspondence between the Premier of Tasmania and the Prime Minister of the Commonwealth in regard to the notice issued by the Postmaster-General with reference to postal matter received at a Post-office addressed to “Tattersall,” care of George Adams, Hobart, Tasmania.
 Ordered to lie on the Table, and to be printed.
3. ADJOURNMENT—MOTION FOR PURPOSE OF DISCUSSION.—Sir Edward Braddon rose in his place, and said that he proposed to move the adjournment of the House for the purpose of discussing a definite matter of urgent public importance, namely, “The unfederal action of the Government in their treatment of Tasmania, and their encroachment upon Tasmania’s State rights.”
 Mr. Speaker thereupon called upon those Members who approved of the proposed discussion to rise in their places, and five Members having accordingly risen—
 Sir Edward Braddon moved, That the House do now adjourn.
 Debate ensued.
 Question—put and negatived.
4. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered, That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 1 to 5 inclusive, be postponed until after the consideration of Order of the Day No. 6.
5. DISCHARGE OF ORDER OF THE DAY.—The following Order of the Day was read, and, on the motion of Mr. Deakin, discharged:—
 Franchise Bill—Second Reading.
 Ordered—That the said Bill be withdrawn.
6. WAYS AND MEANS.—The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Ways and Means.
 Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. V. L. Solomon reported that a quorum of Members was not present in the Committee; whereupon Mr. Speaker counted the House, and a quorum of Members being then present, the House again resolved itself into the Committee.
 Mr. Speaker again resumed the Chair; Mr. V. L. Solomon reported that the Committee had made progress in the portions of the resolutions 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.

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7. ADJOURNMENT.—Mr. Deakin 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 half-past ten o'clock a.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT.—All Members were present except—The Minister of Home Affairs (the Honorable Sir William Lyne, K.C.M.G.), Messrs. Cameron, Clarke, Hume Cook, Kennedy, McColl, Sir Malcolm McEacharn, Mr. F. E. McLean, Sir William McMillan, Messrs. Salmon, and Bruce Smith.

C. GAVAN DUFFY,

Clerk of the House of Representatives.