THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH.

No. 171.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

THURSDAY, 1st MAY, 1902.

- 1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair, and read Prayers.
- 2. Committee of Elections and Qualifications—Special Report From.—Sir Edward Braddon, Chairman, brought up a Special Report from the Committee of Elections and Qualifications upon a Question of Privilege.

The Report was read by the Clerk, and is as follows:-

SPECIAL REPORT.

The Committee of Elections and Qualifications have the honour to report as follows:-

That your Committee, having perused the leading article of the Argus of the 30th of April last, commenting on the Petition of John Crooke Whitelaw against the return of William Hartnoll as Member for Tasmania, beg to report that, whilst certain comments in such article are, in their opinion, improper, they are not of sufficient importance to require any action on the part of the House.

E. BRADDON,

Chairman,

House of Representatives, Committee Room, 1st May, 1902.

Ordered to lie on the Table.

- 3. Supply.—The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.

 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, on the next sitting day, again resolve itself into the said Committee.
- 4. Message from the Senate.—Public Service Bill.—Mr. Speaker announced the receipt of the following Message from the Senate:—

MR. SPEAKER,

Message No. 43.

The Senate returns to the House of Representatives the Public Service Bill, and acquaints the House of Representatives that the Senate does not insist upon that part of Amendment No. 13 to which the House of Representatives still disagrees, and agrees to the further amendments of the House of Representatives in Clause 9, and does not insist upon its amendment to the House of Representatives' amendment in Clause 52A.

R. C. BAKER,

The Senate, Melbourne, 1st May, 1902i Presidenta

5. GOVERNOR-GENERAL'S ESTABLISHMENT BILL.—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read-Mr. Barton moved, That the Bill be now read a second time.

Debate ensued.

Mr. McDonald moved, as an amendment, That the word "now" be omitted, and that after the word "time" the words "on the first day of May, 1904" be added.

Debate continued.

Question—That the word "now" proposed to be omitted stand part of the question—put.

The House divided-

Ayes, 34.

Noes, 12.

Mr. Bamford, Mr. Barton, Sir Langdon Bonython, Mr. Chanter, Mr. Winter Cooke, Mr. Crouch, Mr. Deakin, Mr. G. B. Edwards, Mr. R. Edwards, Sir John Forrest, Mr. Fowler, Mr. Fuller, Sir Philip Fysh, Mr. Higgins, Mr. Isaacs, Mr. Kennedy,	Mr. Macdonald- Paterson, Mr. Mauger, Mr. McColl, Mr. A. McLean, Mr. O'Malley, Mr. Paterson, Sir John Quick, Mr. Ronald, Mr. Salmon, Mr. Skene, Mr. Sydney Smith, Mr. Thomson, Sir George Turner, Mr. Watson. Tellers.	Mr. Brown, Mr. Cameron, Mr. Kirwan, Mr. Mahon, Mr. McDonald, Mr. Page, Mr. E. Solomon,	Mr. Spence, Mr. Tudor, Mr. Wilks. Tellers. Mr. Joseph Cook, Mr. Poynton.
Mr. Kennedy, Mr. Kingston,	Mr. Clarke,		
Mr. Knox,	Mr. L. E. Groom.		

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Question—That the Bill be now read a second time—put.

The House divided-

Ayes, 30.

Noes, 14.

Mr. Bamford,	Mr. Knox,	Mr. Brown,	Mr. Sydney Smith,
Mr. Barton,	Mr. Macdonald-	Mr. Joseph Cook,	Mr. E. Solomon,
Sir Langdon	Paterson,	Mr. Fuller,	Mr. Spence,
Bonython,	Mr. Mauger,	Mr. Kirwan,	Mr. Tudor.
Mr. Chanter,	Mr. A. McLean,	Mr. Mahon,	Tellers.
Mr. Clarke,	Mr. O'Malley,	Mr. McDonald,	
Mr. Winter Cooke,	Mr. Paterson,	Mr. Page,	Mr. Cameron,
Mr. Deakin,	Sir John Quick,	Mr. Poynton,	Mr. Wilks.
Mr. G. B. Edwards,	Mr. Ronald,		
Mr. R. Edwards,	Mr. Salmon,		
Sir John Forrest,	Mr. Skene,		
Mr. Fowler,	Mr. Thomson,		
Mr. L. E. Groom,	Mr. Watson.		
Mr. Higgins,	Tellers.		
Mr. Isaacs,	1 60067 8.		
Mr. Kennedy,	Mr. Crouch,	1	
Mr. Kingston,	Mr. McColl.		

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a second time.

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.

On the motion of Mr. Barton, the House ordered that the Standing Orders be suspended so as to allow the Bill to be passed through its remaining stages this day. On the motion of Mr. Barton, the House adopted the Report.

Mr. Barton moved, That the Bill be now read a third time.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a third time.

6. Bonuses for Manufactures Bill.—The Order of the Day for the consideration in Committee of the whole House of His Excellency the Governor-General's Message No. 40 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 come to a certain resolution.

· Ordered—That the Report be considered at once.

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Mr. Chanter reported from a Committee of the whole House the following resolution, which was read:—

Resolved—That it is expedient that an appropriation of revenue or moneys be made for the purposes of a Bill for an Act relating to Bonuses for the Encouragement of Manufactures.

And the said resolution was adopted by the House.

Ordered—That Mr. Kingston and Mr. Deakin do prepare and bring in a Bill to carry out the foregoing resolution.

7. Bonuses for Manufactures Bill.—Mr. Kingston then brought up a Bill intituled "A Bill for an Act relating to Bonuses for the Encouragement of Manufactures," and moved, That it be now read a first time.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a first time.

Ordered—That the second reading be made an Order of the Day for the next sitting day.

8. Special Adjournment.—Mr. Barton moved, That the House, at its rising, adjourn until Tuesday, 27th May instant.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

9. Leave of Absence to Members (Sir Malcolm McEacharn, Mr. Fisher, and Mr. F. E. McLean).

—Mr. Mauger moved, by leave, That leave of absence for two months be granted to the honorable Member for Melbourne (Sir Malcolm McEacharn).

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

Mr. Watson moved, by leave, That leave of absence for two months be granted to the honorable Member for Wide Bay (Mr. Fisher).

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

Mr. Sydney Smith moved, by leave, That leave of absence for two months be granted to the honorable Member for Lang (Mr. F. E. McLean).

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

Debate ensued.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

And then the House, at twelve o'clock midnight, adjourned until Tuesday, 27th May instant, at half-past two 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. Cruickshank, Fisher, A. C. Groom, Harper, Hartnoll, Hughes, Manifold, Sir Malcolm McEacharn, Mr. F. E. McLean, Sir William McMillan, K.C.M.G., Mr. Phillips, the Right Honorable G. H. Reid, P.C., Messrs. Sawers, Bruce Smith, V. L. Solomon, and Willis.

C. GAVAN DUFFY,

Clerk of the House of Representatives.