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THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH.

No. 173.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

WEDNESDAY, 28TH MAY, 1902.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair, and read Prayers.
2. FACTORIES LEGISLATION—CORRESPONDENCE RESPECTING.—Mr. Higgins moved, pursuant to notice, That there be laid upon the Table of the House a copy of the correspondence between the Commonwealth Government and the State Governments with regard to the resolutions of both Federal Houses in favour of making factory legislation a subject for Federal action.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
3. LEAVE OF ABSENCE TO MEMBER (MR. KNOX).—Mr. Skene moved, pursuant to notice, That leave of absence for the remainder of the Session be granted to the honorable Member for Kooyong, on the ground of urgent private business.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
4. ADDRESS OF CONGRATULATION TO THE KING ON HIS CORONATION.—Mr. Deakin moved, pursuant to notice, That an humble Address of Congratulation be presented to His Majesty the King, as follows:—

To THE KING'S MOST EXCELLENT MAJESTY.

We, Your Majesty's most dutiful and loyal subjects, the Senate and the House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Australia in Parliament assembled, beg leave to approach Your Majesty, and offer our respectful congratulations on the occasion of the Coronation of Your Majesty and your gracious Consort.

We desire also to convey an assurance of our loyal attachment to your throne and person, and of our sincere hope that Your Majesty's reign will be distinguished, under the blessing of Providence, by watchful care to maintain the laws of the Empire, and promote the happiness and liberty of your subjects.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

5. SUPPLY.—ESTIMATES FOR 1901-2 AND ARREARS FOR PERIOD ENDED 30TH JUNE, 1901.—The Order of the Day for the consideration of certain resolutions reported from the Committee of Supply having been read—the said resolutions were read, and are as follow:—

Resolved—That the following sums be granted to His Majesty to defray the charges for the year 1901-2 for the several services hereunder specified, including the several sums already voted in this present Session of Parliament for such services, viz.:—

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i. The Parliament	30,882
ii. The Department of External Affairs	36,446
iii. The Attorney-General's Department	3,200
iv. The Department of Home Affairs	5,395
vii. The Department of Defence	937,211

Resolved—That the following sums be granted to His Majesty to defray the charges for the period ended 30th June, 1901, for the several services hereunder specified, including the several sums already voted in this present Session of Parliament for such services, viz.:—

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i. The Parliament	2,022
ii. The Department of External Affairs	8,292
iii. The Attorney-General's Department	402
vii. The Department of Defence	141,575

And the said resolutions were adopted by the House.

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6. 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 come to a certain resolution.
Sir George Turner moved, pursuant to notice, That the Standing Orders be suspended in order to enable all steps to be taken to obtain Supply, and to pass a Supply Bill through all its stages without delay.
Debate ensued.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
On the motion of Sir George Turner the House ordered that the Report be considered this day.
Mr. Chanter also acquainted the House 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.
7. SUPPLY.—Mr. Chanter reported from the Committee of Supply a certain resolution, which was read, and is as follows :—
Resolved—That a sum not exceeding Two hundred and twenty-six thousand two hundred and eighty-eight pounds be granted to His Majesty for or towards defraying the services for the year ending 30th June, 1902.
And the said resolution was adopted by the House.
8. WAYS AND MEANS.—The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Ways and Means.
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Chanter reported that the Committee had come to a certain resolution.
On the motion of Sir George Turner the House ordered that the Report be considered this day.
Mr. Chanter also acquainted the House 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.
9. WAYS AND MEANS.—Mr. Chanter reported from the Committee of Ways and Means a certain resolution, which was read, and is as follows :—
Resolved—That towards making good the Supply granted to His Majesty for the services of the year ending 30th June, 1902, the sum of Four hundred and ninety-three thousand nine hundred and forty-four pounds be granted out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund.
And the said resolution was adopted by the House.
Ordered—That Sir George Turner and Mr. Deakin do prepare and bring in a Bill to carry out the foregoing resolution.
10. CONSOLIDATED REVENUE BILL (No. 9).—Sir George Turner then brought up a Bill intituled “*A Bill for an Act to grant and apply out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund the sum of Four hundred and ninety-three thousand nine hundred and forty-four pounds to the service of the year ending the thirtieth day of June One thousand nine hundred and two,*” and moved, That it be now read a first time.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a first time.
Sir George Turner moved, That the Bill be now read a second time.
Question—put and 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 without amendment.
On the motion of Sir George Turner the House adopted the Report.
Sir George Turner moved, That the Bill be now read a third time.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a third time.
11. ADJOURNMENT.—Mr. Deakin moved, That the House do now adjourn.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

And then the House, at twenty-eight minutes past 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 Defence (the Right Honorable Sir John Forrest, P.C., G.C.M.G.), Messrs. Cameron, Chapman, Winter Cooke, Cruickshank, G. B. Edwards, Fisher, Harper, Hughes, Knox, Sir Malcolm McEacharn, Mr. Paterson, the Right Honorable G. H. Reid, P.C., Messrs. Sawers, Watkins, and Wilks.

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