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## THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH.

No. 188.

## VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

## HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

WEDNESDAY, 23RD JULY, 1902.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair, and read Prayers.
2. PETITIONS.—Mr. Chanter presented a Petition from George R. Dibbs, styling himself President of the Chamber of Mines of New South Wales, praying that the House will restore the Bonuses for Manufactures Bill to the form in which it was originally introduced in the House.  
Petitions, praying that the duty on raisins may be continued at threepence per pound, were presented as under :—  
By Mr. Glynn—  
From certain fruit-growers of Renmark.  
By Mr. Phillips—  
From certain raisin-growers of Mildura.  
Petitions severally received and read.
3. DISCHARGE OF ORDER OF THE DAY.—On the motion of Mr. V. L. Solomon, Order of the Day, General Business No. 3, was discharged.
4. ELECTORAL BILL.—The Order of the Day for the further consideration of this Bill in Committee of the whole House 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 in the Bill, 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.
5. MESSAGE FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE ACTING GOVERNOR-GENERAL.—ELECTORAL BILL.—The following Message from His Excellency the Acting Governor-General was presented by Sir William Lyne, and the same was read by Mr. Speaker :—

TENNYSON,

*Acting Governor-General.**Message No. 54.*

In accordance with the requirements of section 56 of The Constitution of the Commonwealth of Australia the Acting Governor-General recommends to the House of Representatives that an appropriation of revenue be made for the purposes of a Bill for an Act to regulate Parliamentary Elections.

Government House,  
Melbourne, 23rd July, 1902.

Ordered—That the consideration of the foregoing Message in Committee of the whole House be made an Order of the Day for to-morrow.

23rd July, 1902.

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6. ADJOURNMENT.—Mr. Deakin moved, That the House do now adjourn.  
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

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MEMBERS PRESENT.—All Members were present except—The Prime Minister\* (the Right Honorable Sir Edmund Barton, P.C., G.C.M.G.), the Minister of Defence\* (the Right Honorable Sir John Forrest, P.C., G.C.M.G.), the Honorable Sir Philip Fysh, K.C.M.G., Messrs. Cameron, Chapman,\* Conroy, Cruickshank,\* R. Edwards, Fisher,\* Fuller, A. C. Groom, Harper, Hughes, Kirwan, Knox,\* Macdonald-Paterson, Mahon, McCay, Sir Malcolm McEacharn, Mr. F. E. McLean, Sir William McMillan, K.C.M.G., Sir John Quick, Messrs. Sawers, Bruce Smith, Spence, Thomas, Wilkinson, and Wilks.

\* On leave.

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