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THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH.

No. 13.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

WEDNESDAY, 17TH JUNE, 1903.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair, and read Prayers.
2. PETITION.—Mr. Wilks presented a Petition from certain Protestant subjects of His Majesty King Edward VII., residents in the Commonwealth, in reference to the action of the Prime Minister in making an official visit to the Pope of Rome, and accepting a gold medal as a distinction from the Pontiff, and praying that the House will oppose the conferment upon the Prime Minister of any position of honour in the Commonwealth until his action has received the indorsement of an electorate of the Commonwealth.
Petition received and read.
3. PAPER.—Sir Edmund Barton presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor-General—
Immigration Restriction Act 1901—Certificates of Exemption.—Correspondence between the Agent-General of Queensland and the Minister of External Affairs of the Commonwealth relating to the appointment of the former to issue Certificates of Exemption under section 3, paragraph (h), &c.
Ordered to lie on the Table.
4. SUGAR BONUS BILL.—The Order of the Day for the consideration of the Report from the Committee of the whole House on this Bill having been read—
Sir George Turner moved, That the Bill be now recommitted to a Committee of the whole House for the reconsideration of clauses 2, 3, and 9.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
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 reconsidered the portions of the Bill referred to it, and had agreed to the same with an amendment.
Sir George Turner moved, by leave, That the Standing Orders be suspended so as to allow the Bill to be passed through its remaining stages this day.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
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.
Debate ensued.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a third time.
5. SUGAR REBATE ABOLITION BILL.—The Order of the Day for the third reading of this Bill having been read—Sir George Turner 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. JUDICIARY 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.

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7. ADJOURNMENT.—Sir Edmund Barton moved, That the House do now adjourn.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

And then the House, at three 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—Mr. Joseph Cook, Mr. Winter Cooke, Mr. Cruickshank, Mr. R. Edwards*, Mr. Knox*, Mr. Macdonald-Paterson*, Mr. F. E. McLean, Sir William McMillan, Mr. Reid, and Mr. Bruce Smith.

* On leave.

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