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THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH.

No. 53.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

TUESDAY, 1ST SEPTEMBER, 1903.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair, and read Prayers.
2. PETITION.—Mr. Page presented a Petition from W. P. Colborne and others, styling themselves respectively President and executive officers of the Brisbane Labour Council, praying that the Conciliation and Arbitration Bill may be amended so as to equally apply to all vessels engaging in the Australian coastal trades, whether Australian, oversea, or foreign.
Petition received.
3. PAPERS.—Sir John Forrest presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor-General—
Defence Forces—
Regulations relating to Military Forces, made under the Defence Acts of the States and the Constitution of the Commonwealth—
Musketry Training (dated 22nd August, 1903).
Issue of Small Arm Ammunition (dated 22nd August, 1903).
Alteration of Regulations regarding Efficiency and Pay (dated 22nd August, 1903).
Regulations to govern the Appointment of Officers as Aides-de-Camp to Governors of States (dated 22nd August, 1903).
Severally ordered to lie on the Table.
4. ELECTORAL DIVISIONS BILL.—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—Sir William Lyne moved, That the Bill be now read a second time.
Debate ensued.
Question—put.
The House divided—

Ayes, 31.

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| Mr. Bamford, | Mr. Page, |
| Sir Edmund Barton, | Mr. Phillips, |
| Mr. Chanter, | Sir John Quick, |
| Mr. Winter Cooke, | Mr. Ronald, |
| Mr. Crouch, | Mr. Salmon, |
| Mr. Cruickshank, | Mr. Sawers, |
| Sir John Forrest, | Mr. E. Solomon, |
| Mr. Fowler, | Mr. Spence, |
| Sir Philip Fysh, | Mr. Tudor, |
| Mr. L. E. Groom, | Sir George Turner, |
| Mr. Isaacs, | Mr. Watson, |
| Mr. Kennedy, | Mr. Wilkinson. |
| Sir William Lyne, | |
| Mr. Mahon, | |
| Mr. Mauger, | <i>Tellers.</i> |
| Mr. McCay, | Mr. Chapman, |
| Mr. McDonald, | Mr. McColl. |

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| Mr. Brown, | Mr. Thomson, |
| Mr. Conroy, | Mr. Wilks, |
| Mr. Joseph Cook, | Mr. Willis. |
| Mr. Fuller, | |
| Mr. Hartnoll, | <i>Tellers.</i> |
| Sir William | |
| McMillan, | Mr. Kirwan, |
| Mr. Paterson, | Mr. Sydney Smith. |

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

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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. ADJOURNMENT.—Sir Edmund Barton moved, That the House do now adjourn.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

And then the House, at three 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—Mr. Batchelor, Sir Langdon Bonython, Sir Edward Braddon*, Mr. Cameron, Mr. Clarke, Mr. Ewing, Mr. A. C. Groom, Mr. Hughes, Mr. F. E. McLean, Mr. Thomas, and Mr. Watkins.

* On leave.

C. GAVAN DUFFY,

Clerk of the House of Representatives.