### THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA.

#### No. 48.

# VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

# HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

#### FRIDAY, 11TH JUNE, 1926.

- The House met, at eleven o'clock a.m., pursuant to adjournment.— Mr. Speaker (the Honorable Sir Littleton Groom) took the Chair, and read Prayers.
- 2. Paper.—The following Paper was presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor-General—Conference of Commonwealth and State Ministers held at Melbourne, May, 1926, to consider the Financial Relations between the States and the Commonwealth—Report of Debates. Ordered to lie on the Table, and to be printed.
- ALTERATION OF DAY OF NEXT MEETING.—Mr. Bruce (Prime Minister) moved, That the House, at its rising, adjourn until Monday next at three o'clock p.m.
   Debate ensued.
   Question—put and passed.
- 4. Constitution Alteration (Essential Services) Bill.—The Order of the Day having been read for the resumption of the debate on the question, That the Bill be now read a second time—Debate resumed.
  - Mr. West addressing the House, and not having concluded his speech, the House ordered that the honorable Member have leave to continue his speech when the debate is resumed.
  - Ordered—That the debate be now adjourned, and that the resumption of the debate be made an Order of the Day for the next sitting.
- 5. Message from the Senate.—Customs Tariff Bill (1926).—Mr. Speaker announced the receipt of the following Message from the Senate:—

Mr. SPEAKER,

Message No. 26.

The Senate returns to the House of Representatives the Bill for "An Act relating to Duties of Customs," and requests the House to amend the Bill as set forth in the annexed Schedule.

The Senate,

JOHN NEWLANDS,

11th June, 1926.

Deputy-President.

- Ordered—That the foregoing Message be taken into consideration, in Committee of the whole House, at the next sitting.
- 6. PAPER.—The following Paper was presented, pursuant to Statute-
  - Lands Acquisition Act—Land acquired at Tailem Bend, South Australia—For Postal purposes.
- ADJOURNMENT.—Mr. Bruce (Prime Minister) moved, That the House do now adjourn. Debate ensued.
   Question—put and passed.
- And then the House, at eight minutes past four o'clock p.m., adjourned until Monday next at three o'clock p.m.
- MEMBERS PRESENT.—All Members were present (at some time during the sitting) except—
  Mr. Anstey, Mr. Blakeley, Mr. Bowden, Mr. Corser\*, Mr. Forde, Mr. Josiah Francis, Mr. Jackson,
  Mr. Killen, Mr. Makin, Mr. Marks, Mr. Thompson, and Mr. Yates.

  \* On leave.

WALTER A. GALE,
Clerk of the House of Representatives.