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THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA,
CANBERRA.

No. 124.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

WEDNESDAY, 16TH NOVEMBER, 1927.

1. The House met, at half-past two o'clock p.m., pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker (the Honorable Sir Littleton Groom) took the Chair, and read Prayers.
2. PARLIAMENTARY STANDING COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC WORKS—REPORT.—Mr. Mackay, Chairman of the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Public Works, brought up the following Report from the Committee:—
Report, together with Minutes of Evidence, relating to the proposed establishment of an Automatic Telephone Exchange at Box Hill, Victoria.
Ordered to be printed.
3. MINISTERIAL STATEMENT.—Mr. Earle Page (Treasurer), by leave, made a Ministerial Statement with reference to the Commonwealth Bank (Savings Bank) Bill and the Housing Bill.
4. PAPERS.—The following Papers were presented, pursuant to Statute—
Papua Act— Ordinances of 1927—
No. 3 Sale of Goods.
No. 6—Petroleum.
5. SUPPLY [BUDGET DEBATE].—The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.

(In the Committee.)

(General debate resumed on the question (*see page 358*), That the first item in the Estimates under Division I.—The Parliament—namely—

The President £1,300

be agreed to, *and on the Amendment moved thereto by Mr. Charlton*, That the item be reduced by £1.

Progress to be reported, and leave asked to sit again.

The House resumed; Mr. Bayley reported accordingly.

Resolved—That the House will, at the next sitting, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

6. ADJOURNMENT.—Mr. Bruce (Prime Minister) moved, That the House do now adjourn.
Question—put and passed.

And then the House, at twenty-seven 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 (at some time during the sitting) except—
Mr. Bowden, Mr. Gardner, Mr. Hurry, Mr. Lambert, Mr. Ley, Mr. W. Maloney, Mr. Mann,
Mr. Maxwell, Mr. Parker Moloney, and Mr. Watt.

E. W. PARKES,
Clerk of the House of Representatives.

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