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THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA,
CANBERRA.

No. 189.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

WEDNESDAY, 13TH JUNE, 1928.

1. 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. ADJOURNMENT-MOTION FOR PURPOSE OF DISCUSSION.—Mr. Nott rose in his place, and said that he proposed to move the adjournment of the House for the purpose of discussing a definite matter of urgent public importance, namely:—"The disfranchisement of several thousand Australian electors in the Federal Capital Territory".
Mr. Speaker thereupon called upon those Members who approved of the proposed discussion to rise in their places, and more than the necessary number of Members having risen accordingly—
Mr. Nott moved, That the House do now adjourn.
Debate ensued.
Mr. Bruce (Prime Minister) addressing the House and not having concluded his speech at the termination of the time allowed by Standing Order No. 39—the Right Honorable Member was given leave to continue his speech.
Debate continued.
- It being two hours after the time fixed for the meeting of the House, the debate was interrupted in accordance with Standing Order No. 119, and the Business of the Day was called on.
3. PAPERS.—The following Paper was presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor-General—
Bundaberg Fatalities—Report, together with Appendices, of the Royal Commission of Inquiry into Fatalities associated with the use of Toxin-antitoxin preparations at Bundaberg.
Ordered to lie on the Table.
The following Papers were presented, pursuant to Statute—
Taxation—Eleventh Report of the Commissioner, years 1924-25, 1925-26, and 1926-27.
Ordered to be printed.
Audit Act—Regulations Amended—Statutory Rules 1928, No. 46.
Post and Telegraph Act—Regulations Amended—Statutory Rules 1928, No. 35.
 4. SUPPLY RESOLUTION—SUPPLY BILL.—The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.

(In the Committee.)

SUPPLY BILL (No. 1) 1928-29.

Debate resumed on the motion of Mr. Earle Page (Treasurer), That there be granted to His Majesty for or towards defraying the services of the year 1928-29 a sum not exceeding £6,343,635.

The Committee continuing to sit until after midnight—

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Debate continued.

Question put and passed.

Resolution 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.

5. SUSPENSION OF STANDING ORDERS.—Mr. Earle Page (Treasurer) moved, pursuant to contingent notice, That the Standing Orders be suspended to enable the remaining stages to be passed without delay.
Question—put and passed.
6. SUPPLY RESOLUTION.—The Resolution reported from the Committee of Supply was read, and, on the motion of Mr. Earle Page (Treasurer), was adopted by the House.

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7. WAYS AND MEANS RESOLUTION.—The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Ways and Means.

(In the Committee.)

SUPPLY BILL (No. 1) 1928-29.

Mr. Earle Page (Treasurer) moved, That, towards making good the Supply granted to His Majesty for the services of the year 1928-29, there be granted out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund a sum not exceeding £6,343,635.

Question—put and passed.

Resolution 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. The Resolution reported from the Committee was read, and, on the motion of Mr. Earle Page, was adopted by the House.

Ordered—That Mr. Earle Page and Mr. Bruce do prepare and bring in a Bill to carry out the foregoing Resolution.

8. SUPPLY BILL (No. 1) 1928-29.—Mr. Earle Page (Treasurer) then brought up a Bill intituled "*A Bill for an Act to grant and apply a sum out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund for the service of the year ending the thirtieth day of June One thousand nine hundred and twenty-nine,*" and moved, That it be now read a first time.

Question—put and passed.—Bill read a first time.

Mr. Earle Page moved, That the Bill be now read a second time.

Question—put and passed.—Bill read a second time.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole.

(In the Committee.)

Clauses 1 to 4 agreed to.

Schedule agreed to.

Preamble agreed to.

Title debated and agreed to.

Bill to be reported without amendment.

The House resumed ; Mr. Bayley reported accordingly.

On the motion of Mr. Earle Page, the House adopted the Report, and the Bill was read a third time.

9. MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.—OFFICERS' RIGHTS DECLARATION BILL.—Mr. Speaker announced the receipt of the following Message from the Senate :—

MR. SPEAKER,

Message No. 134.

The Senate has passed a Bill for "*An Act relating to the Rights of Officers,*" and transmits the same to the House of Representatives for its concurrence.

JOHN NEWLANDS,
President.

The Senate,
Canberra, 13th June, 1928.

Mr. Bruce (Prime Minister) moved, That the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message be now read a first time.

Question—put and passed.—Bill read a first time.

Ordered—That the second reading be made an Order of the Day for the next sitting.

10. ALTERATION OF HOUR OF NEXT MEETING.—Mr. Bruce (Prime Minister) moved, That the House, at its rising, adjourn until eleven o'clock a.m. this day.

Question—put and passed.

11. ADJOURNMENT.—Mr. Bruce (Prime Minister) moved, That the House do now adjourn.

Question—put and passed.

And then the House, at twenty minutes past twelve o'clock midnight, adjourned until this day at eleven o'clock a.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT.—All Members were present (at some time during the sitting) except—Mr. Bowden*, Mr. Coleman, Mr. Roland Green*, Sir Elliot Johnson, Mr. Lambert, Mr. Lazzarini, Mr. Mackay, Mr. Mann, Mr. Marr, Mr. Prowse, Mr. Theodore, and Mr. Watt.

* On leave.

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