THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA. CANBERRA.

No. 7.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

OF REPRESENTATIVES. HOUSE

WEDNESDAY, 20TH FEBRUARY, 1929.

- 1. The House met, at three o'clock p.m., pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker (the Honorable Sir Littleton Groom) took the Chair, and read Prayers.
- 2. PAPERS.—The following Paper was presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor-General— Coal Industry—Papers relating to.

Ordered to lie on the Table.

The following Papers were presented, pursuant to Statute-

Railways Act—Report, with Appendices, on Commonwealth Railway operations for 1927-28.

Defence Act—Regulations Amended—Statutory Rules 1929, No. 18.

Land Tax Assessment Act—Regulations Amended—Statutory Rules 1929, No. 19.

Nationality Act—Return for 1928.

Naval Defence Act—Regulations Amended—Statutory Rules 1929, No. 13.

Public Service Act—Postmaster-General's Department—Appointments of R. M. Osborne, H. R. Adam, R. G. Dodds, W. H. Walker and L. B. Nicholls.

3. Message from the Senate.—Forestry Bureau Bill (1929).—Mr. Speaker announced the receipt of the following Message from the Senate :-

Message No. 3.

The Senate has passed a Bill for "An Act to provide for the Establishment of a Forestry Bureau," and transmits the same to the House of Representatives for its concurrence.

JOHN NEWLANDS,

The Senate,

Canberra, 20th February, 1929.

President.

Mr. Aubrey Abbott (Minister for Home Affairs) 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.

4. WINE OVERSEAS MARKETING BILL.—Mr. Thomas Paterson (Minister for Markets and Transport) moved, pursuant to notice, That he have leave to bring in a Bill for an Act relating to the export of Wine and for other purposes. Question—put and passed.

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5. Transport Workers Bill (1929).—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. Atkinson moved, That the debate be now adjourned.

Question—That the debate be now adjourned—put and passed.

Ordered—That the resumption of the debate be made an Order of the Day for the next sitting.

6. Temporary Chairman of Committees.—The following Warrant, nominating a Temporary Chairman of Committees, pursuant to Standing Order No. 25, was laid upon the Table by Mr. Speaker:—

The Parliament of the Commonwealth.

House of Representatives.

Pursuant to the provisions of the Standing Order numbered 25, I do hereby nominate-George Hugh Mackay, Esquire,

to act as a Temporary Chairman of Committees when requested so to do by the Chairman of Committees.

Given under my hand this twentieth day of February, One thousand nine hundred and twenty-nine.

LITTLETON E. GROOM,

Speaker.

7. Adjournment.—Mr. Latham (Attorney-General) moved, That the House do now adjourn. Question—put and passed.

And then the House, at half-past ten 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. Curtin, Mr. Maxwell, and Mr. Parsons.

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