THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA, CANBERRA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

HOUSE REPRESENTATIVES. OF

No. 3.

THURSDAY, 2ND DECEMBER, 1937.

- 1. The House met, at half-past two o'clock p.m., pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker (the Honorable G. J. Bell) took the Chair, and read Prayers.
- 2. Mr. Speaker—Temporary Relief.—Mr. Lyons (Prime Minister) moved, by leave, That, during the unavoidable absence of Mr. Deputy-Speaker, Mr. Speaker be authorized to call upon any of the Temporary Chairmen of Committees to relieve him temporarily in the Chair. Question—put and passed.
- 3. Supply—Estimates 1937-38.—The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.

(In the Committee.)

Vote—"The Department of Defence, £5,992,000"—further debated and agreed to. Vote—"The Department of Trade and Customs, £656,000"—debated and agreed to.

Vote—"The Department of Trade and Customs, £656,000"—debated and Vote—"The Department of Health, £127,600"—debated and agreed to. Vote—"The Department of Commerce, £452,000"—agreed to. Vote—"Miscellaneous Services, £1,147,000"—debated and agreed to. Vote—"Refunds of Revenue, £1,350,000"—agreed to. Vote—"Advance to the Treasurer, £2,000,000"—agreed to. Vote—"War Services payable out of Revenue, £1,261,300"—agreed to. Vote—"Commonwealth Railways, £662,440"—Progress to be reported, and leave asked to sit again.

The House resumed; Mr. Prowse reported accordingly.

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

4. Message from the Senate.—Public Works Committee (Joint).—Mr. Speaker announced the receipt of the following Message from the Senate:-

Message No. 1.

The Senate acquaints the House of Representatives that, in accordance with the provisions of the Commonwealth Public Works Committee Act 1913-1936, the following Senators have been appointed Members of the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Public Works, viz. :-Senator C. H. Brand, Senator G. Brown, and Senator W. J. Cooper.

P. J. LYNCH,

The Senate,

Canberra, 2nd December, 1937.

5. Adjournment.—Mr. Page (Minister for Commerce) moved, That the House do now adjourn. Debate ensued.

Question—put and passed. .

And then the House, at twenty-six minutes past eleven o'clock p.m., adjourned until to-morrow at half-past ten o'clock a.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT.—All Members were present (at some time during the sitting) except—Mr. Francis, Mr. Harrison, Mr. Hunter, Mr. McCall, and Mr. Paterson.

F. C. GREEN,

Clerk of the House of Representatives.