## THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA. CANBERRA.

## VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

## HOUSE. OF REPRESENTATIVES.

No. 92.

## MONDAY, 5TH JUNE, 1939.

- 1. The House met, at three o'clock p.m., pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker (the Honorable G. J. Bell) took the Chair, and read Prayers.
- 2. NOTIFICATION OF RETURN TO WRIT (WILMOT DIVISION).—Mr. Speaker announced that he had received a notification from the Chief Electoral Officer for the Commonwealth in connexion with the Writ which he had issued on the 3rd May last for the election of a Member to serve for the Electoral Division of Wilmot, in the State of Tasmania, to fill the vacancy caused by the death of the Right Honorable Joseph Aloysius Lyons, and that, by the notification, it appeared that Lancelot Thomas Spurr had been elected in pursuance of the said Writ.
- 3. Member Sworn.—Lancelot Thomas Spurr, Esquire, was introduced, and made and subscribed the Oath required by law.
- 4. The Late Mr. F. M. J. Baker.—Mr. Speaker informed the House that he had received from Mrs. Baker a letter thanking the House for its Resolution of sympathy.
- 5. Papers.—The following Paper was presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor-General—Nauru—Ordinance of 1939—No. 1—Motor Traffic Ordinance Amendment. Ordered to lie on the Table.

The following Paper was presented, pursuant to Statute—
Commonwealth Public Service Act—Appointment of J. Johnston, Department of the Interior.

- 6. Defence Bill 1939.—Mr. Street (Minister for Defence) moved, pursuant to notice, That he have leave to bring in a Bill for an Act to amend the Defence Act 1903-1934, and for other purposes. Question—put and passed.
- 7. NATIONAL REGISTRATION BILL 1939.—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. Jennings 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.

- 8. ALTERATION OF HOUR OF NEXT MEETING .-- Mr. Street (Minister for Defence) moved, That the House, at its rising, adjourn until half-past two o'clock p.m. to-morrow. Question—put and passed.
- 9. ADJOURNMENT.--Mr. Street (Minister for Defence) moved. That the House do now adjourn. Debate ensued. Question—put and passed.

And then the House, at fifteen 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. Badman, Mr. Blackburn, Mr. Blain, Mr. Casey, Mr. Curtin, Mr. Drakeford, Mr. Fadden, Mr. Hunter, Mr. James, Mr. Makin, Mr. Maloney, Mr. McCall, Mr. McHugh, Mr. Paterson, Mr. Price, Mr. Rosevear, Mr. Scully, Mr. Stacey, Mr. Thompson, Mr. Thorby, Mr. White, and Mr. Wilson.

> F. C. GREEN, Clerk of the House of Representatives.