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THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

No. 6.

WEDNESDAY, 30TH AUGUST, 1944.

1. The House met, at three o'clock p.m., according to the terms of the Resolution of the 21st July last.—Mr. Speaker (the Honorable J. S. Rosevear) took the Chair, and read Prayers.
 2. DEATH OF MR. RICHARD DARCEY.—Mr. Curtin (Prime Minister) referred to the death, on the 27th July, of Mr. Richard Darcey, and moved, That this House records its sincere regret at the death of Mr. Richard Darcey, a former Senator for the State of Tasmania, places on record its appreciation of his meritorious public service, and tenders its deep sympathy to the members of his family in their bereavement.
And Mr. Menzies (Leader of the Opposition) having seconded the motion, and other honorable Members having addressed the House in support thereof, and all Members present having risen, in silence—
Question—passed.
 3. PRESENTATION OF ADDRESS IN REPLY.—Mr. Speaker reported that, on the 21st July, accompanied by honorable Members, he had waited upon His Excellency the Governor-General at Government House, and had presented to him the Address in Reply to His Excellency's Speech on the Opening of the Second Session of the Seventeenth Parliament, agreed to by the House on the 21st July, and that His Excellency had been pleased to make the following reply :—
MR. SPEAKER,
I desire to thank you for the Address in Reply, which you have just presented to me.
It will afford me much pleasure to convey to His Most Gracious Majesty The King the message of loyalty from the House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Australia to which the Address gives expression.
 4. THE WAR—MINISTERIAL STATEMENT—MOTION FOR PRINTING PAPER.—Mr. Curtin (Prime Minister), by leave, made a Ministerial Statement reviewing important developments which have taken place in the war situation since the last meeting of the House, and, by command of His Excellency the Governor-General, laid upon the Table the following Paper :—
The War—Ministerial Statement, 30th August, 1944—
and moved, That the Paper be printed.
Mr. Menzies (Leader of the Opposition) 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.
 5. WANT OF CONFIDENCE—NOTICE OF MOTION.—Mr. Menzies (Leader of the Opposition) gave notice of a motion of Want of Confidence which he proposed to move to-morrow.
 6. TIME OF NEXT MEETING.—Mr. Curtin (Prime Minister) moved, That the House, at its rising, adjourn until to-morrow at half-past two o'clock p.m.
Question—put and passed.
 7. ADJOURNMENT.—Mr. Curtin (Prime Minister) moved, That the House do now adjourn.
Question—put and passed.
- And then the House, at twenty-three minutes to four 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. Blain, Mr. Brennan, Mr. Coles, Mr. Falstein, Mr. Gaha, Mr. Guy, Mr. Lazzarini, Dame Enid Lyons, Sir Earle Page, and Mr. Scully.

F. C. GREEN,

Clerk of the House of Representatives.