THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

REPRESENTATIVES. HOUSE OF

No. 21.

FRIDAY, 27TH APRIL, 1945.

- 1. The House met, at half-past ten o'clock a.m., pursuant to adjournment.---Mr. Speaker (the Honorable J. S. Rosevear) took the Chair, and read Prayers.
- 2. Equipment of Australian Troops—Ministerial Statement—Printing of Paper.—The Order of the Day having been read for the resumption of the debate on the following motion of Mr. Curtin (Prime Minister), That the Paper [presented on the 22nd March], viz.:—

Equipment of Australian Troops-Ministerial Statementbe printed-

Debate resumed.

Ordered—That Mr. Fadden be granted an extension of time.

Mr. Fadden moved, as an amendment, That the following words be added to the motion:—" and that, in the opinion of this House, immediate arrangements be made by the Government for a Committee, representative of all Parties in the Parliament, to visit operational areas

Ordered—That Mr. Hadley be granted an extension of time. Ordered—That Mr. Cameron be granted an extension of time.

Debate continued.

Question—That the words proposed to be added be so added—put. The House divided (The Speaker, Mr. Rosevear, in the Chair)—

Ayes, 18.		Noes, 34.	
Mr. Abbott	Dame Enid Lyons	Mr. Barnard	Mr. Lazzarini
Mr. Adermann	Mr. McDonald	Mr. Beasley	Mr. Lemmon
Mr. Anthony	Sir Earle Page	Mr. Breen	Mr. Makin
Mr. Bowden	Mr. Rankin	Mr. Bryson	Mr. McLeod
Mr. Cameron	Sir Frederick Stewart	Mr. Burke	Mr. Mountjoy
Mr. Fadden	Mr. White	Mr. Chifley	Mr. Mulcahy
Mr. Francis	m n	Mr. Clark	Mr. Riordan
Mr. Harrison	Tellers:	Mr. Conelan	Mr. Russell
Mr. Holt	Mr. Corser	Mr. Daly	Mr. Scullin
Mr. Hughes	Mr. Guy	Mr. Drakeford	Mr. Scully
	-	Mr. Fraser	Mr. Sheehy
		Mr. Frost	Mr. Smith
		Mr. Fuller	Mr. Ward
		Mr. Hadley	Mr. Williams
		Mr. Haylen	Tellers:
		Mr. Holloway	
		Mr. Johnson	Mr. Martens
		Mr. Lawson	Mr. Sheehan

And so it was negatived.

Question—That the Paper be printed—put and passed.

3. Adjournment.—Mr. Curtin (Prime Minister) moved, That the House do now adjourn. Debate ensued.

Question—put and passed.

And then the House, at nineteen minutes to five o'clock p.m., adjourned until Tuesday next at three o'clock p.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT.—All Members were present (at some time during the sitting) except Mr. Blain*, Mr. Brennan, Mr. Chambers, Mr. Evatt, Mr. Falstein, Mr. Forde, Mr. James, Mr. McEwen, Mr. Pollard, Mr. Spender, Mr. Watkins, and Mr. Wilson.

· On leave.

F. C. GREEN,

Clerk of the House of Representatives.