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THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH.

No. 6.

VOTES AND **PROCEEDINGS**

OF THE

REPRESENTATIVES. HOUSE OF

THURSDAY, 10TH MARCH, 1904.

- 1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair, and read Prayers.
- 2. Printing Committee-First Report From.-Mr. Poynton, Acting Chairman, brought up the First Report from the Printing Committee.

The Report was read by the Clerk, and is as follows :-

REPORT.

The Printing Committee have the honour to report that they have dealt with all the Papers and Petitions laid on the Table of the House since the commencement of the Session, and beg to recommend that the following be printed:-

Presented Papers-

Bonuses for Manufactures Bill-Report of the Royal Commission. General Election 1903—Commonwealth of Australia—Statistics relating to. Treasurers' Conference—States' Debts, &c. Finance, 1902-3—The Treasurer's Statement of Receipts and Expenditure. Immigration Restriction Act 1901—Return of Persons refused admission, &c. S.S. Petriana—History of the case and correspondence relating thereto. Transvaal-Correspondence relating to the introduction of Asiatics into. General Election 1903—Statement showing Electors on Rolls; Votes recorded, &c., &c.

> A. POYNTON. Acting Chairman.

House of Representatives, Committee Room, 10th March, 1904.

Mr. Poynton moved, by leave, That the Report be agreed to. Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

3. Address in Reply to His Excellency the Governor-General's Speech.—The Order of the Day having been read for the resumption of the debate on the question-That the following Address in Reply to the Speech of His Excellency the Governor-General, be agreed to by this House:-

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY:

We, the House of Representatives of the Parliament of the Commonwealth of Australia, in Parliament assembled, beg to express our loyalty to our Most Gracious Sovereign, and to thank Your Excellency for the Speech which you have been pleased to address to Parliament-

Mr. Kingston moved, That the debate be now adjourned.

Question—That the debate be now adjourned—put and resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered—That the resumption of the debate be made an Order of the Day for to-morrow.

- 4. Adjournment.—Mr. Deakin moved, That the House do now adjourn. Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
- And then the House, at thirty-one minutes past ten o'clock p.m., adjourned until to-morrow, at half-past ten o'clock a.m.
- MEMBERS PRESENT.—All Members were present except—Mr. Brown, Mr. Cameron, Mr. Harper, Mr. Hughes, Mr. McCay, Mr. Phillips, and Mr. Reid.

C. GAVAN DUFFY, Clerk of the House of Representatives.