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THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH.

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VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

WEDNESDAY, 16TH MARCH, 1904.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair, and read Prayers.
2. MEMBER SWORN.—Donald Norman Cameron, Esquire, was introduced, and made and subscribed the oath required by law.
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—

Debate resumed.

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

And, after debate—

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.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

And then the House, at twelve minutes to eleven o'clock p.m., adjourned until to-morrow at half-past two o'clock p.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT.—All Members were present except—Mr. Blackwood, Mr. Brown, Sir Philip Fysh, Mr. Harper, Mr. Hughes, Mr. Phillips, Mr. Reid, Mr. Robinson, Mr. Bruce Smith, and Mr. Willis.

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