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## THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH.

No. 48.

## VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

## HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

WEDNESDAY, 13<sup>TH</sup> JULY, 1904.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair, and read Prayers.
2. PAPUA (BRITISH NEW GUINEA) BILL.—The Order of the Day having been read for the consideration in Committee of the whole House of His Excellency the Governor-General's Message No. 8—Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole. Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Salmon reported that the Committee had agreed to a certain resolution.  
Ordered—That the Report be considered at once.  
And thereupon the said resolution was read, and is as follows:—  
*Resolved*—That it is expedient that an appropriation of revenue and moneys be made for the purposes of a Bill for an Act to provide for the acceptance of British New Guinea as a Territory under the authority of the Commonwealth, and for the Government thereof.  
And the said resolution was adopted by the House.  
Ordered—That Mr. Hughes do prepare and bring in a Bill to carry out the foregoing resolution.  
Mr. Hughes then brought up a Bill intituled "*A Bill for an Act to provide for the acceptance of British New Guinea as a Territory under the authority of the Commonwealth, and for the Government thereof,*" and moved, That it be now read a first time.  
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a first time.  
Ordered—That the second-reading be made an Order of the Day for to-morrow.
3. COMMONWEALTH CONCILIATION AND ARBITRATION BILL.—The Order of the Day having been read for the further consideration of this Bill in Committee of the whole House—Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole.  
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Salmon reported that the Committee had made progress in the Bill, and that he was directed to ask, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.  
*Resolved*—That the House will, to-morrow, again resolve itself into the said Committee.
4. ADJOURNMENT.—Mr. Watson moved, That the House do now adjourn.  
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

And then the House at thirteen 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. Bamford, Mr. Conroy, Mr. R. Edwards, Mr. Harper, Mr. Kingston\*, Mr. Lee, Mr. Liddell, Mr. Page, and Sir George Turner\*.

\* On leave.

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