## THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH.

No. 53.

## VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

## HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

## THURSDAY, 21st JULY, 1904.

- 1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair, and read Prayers.
- 2. Industrial Laws—Alteration of Constitution in regard to.—Mr. Mauger moved, pursuant to notice, That, in the opinion of this House, all necessary steps should be taken, before any General Election, to pass a Bill for the alteration of the Constitution, to enable the Commonwealth Parliament to enact uniform industrial laws, so that at the time of the election the Bill might be inexpensively submitted to the electors, as provided in section 128 of the Constitution.

Debate ensued.

Mr. Batchelor 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 Thursday, 4th August next.
- 3. Postponement of Orders of the Day.—Ordered—That the consideration of Order of the Day, General Business, No. 1 be postponed until Thursday, 4th August next, and that the consideration of Order of the Day, General Business, No. 2 be postponed until Thursday, 11th August next.
- 4. Navigation Bill Commission—Navigation Clauses and the Conciliation and Arbitration Bill.—The Order of the Day having been read for the resumption of the debate on the question, That, in the opinion of this House, any clauses relating to Navigation proposed to be added to the Commonwealth Conciliation and Arbitration Bill should be remitted to the Royal Commission appointed to take evidence in connexion with the proposed Navigation Bill, for consideration and report—and on the amendment proposed thereto, viz.:—That the following words be added to the motion:—"That the resolution be forwarded to the Senate by Message for their concurrence"—Debate resumed.

Mr. Tudor 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 Thursday next.

5. Special Adjournment.—Mr. Batchelor moved, That the House, at its rising, adjourn until Tuesday next.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

6. Adjournment.—Mr. Watson moved, That the House do now adjourn.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

And then the House, at a quarter to five o'clock p.m., adjourned until Tuesday next at half-past two o'clock p.m.

Members Present.—All Members were present except—Sir Langdon Bonython, Mr. Chanter, Mr. R. Edwards, Mr. Ewing, Mr. Fisher, Mr. Glynn, Mr. Harper, Mr. Isaacs, Mr. Kelly, Mr. Kennedy, Mr. Kingston\*, Mr. Lonsdale, Mr. Maloney, Mr. McColl, Mr. McWilliams, Mr. Page, Mr. Reid, Mr. Bruce Smith, Mr. Thomas, Sir George Turner, Mr. Wilks, and Mr. Willis.

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