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THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH.

No. 71.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

WEDNESDAY, 14TH SEPTEMBER, 1904.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair, and read Prayers.
 2. PAPER.—Mr. Sydney Smith presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor-General—
Money Order Transactions through the Post Offices between the several States, and also between the several States and other Countries, for the years 1901, 1902, and 1903.
Ordered to lie on the Table.
 3. LEAVE OF ABSENCE TO MEMBER (MR. KINGSTON).—Mr. Watson moved, by leave, That leave of absence for one month be granted to the honorable Member for Adelaide (Mr. Kingston).
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
 4. KALGOORLIE TO PORT AUGUSTA RAILWAY SURVEY BILL.—The Order of the Day having been read for the further consideration in Committee of the whole House of His Excellency the Governor-General's Message No. 2—
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 moneys be made for the purposes of a Bill for an Act to Authorize the Survey of Route for a Railway to connect Kalgoorlie, in the State of Western Australia, with Port Augusta, in the State of South Australia.
And the said resolution was adopted by the House.
Ordered—That Mr. Dugald Thomson do prepare and bring in a Bill to carry out the foregoing resolution.
Mr. Dugald Thomson then brought up a Bill intituled "*A Bill for an Act to Authorize the Survey of Route for a Railway to connect Kalgoorlie, in the State of Western Australia, with Port Augusta, in the State of South Australia,*" 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.
 5. PAPUA (BRITISH NEW GUINEA) BILL.—The Order of the Day having been read for the second reading of this Bill—Mr. Reid moved, That the Bill be now read a second time.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a second time.
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.
 6. ADJOURNMENT.—Mr. Reid moved, That the House do now adjourn.
Debate ensued.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
- And then the House at twenty-eight minutes past ten o'clock p.m., adjourned until to-morrow at half-past two o'clock p.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT.—All Members were present except—Sir Philip Fysh, Mr. Hutchison, Mr. Kingston*, Sir William Lyne, and Mr. Phillips.

* On leave.

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