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VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

FRIDAY, 28TH OCTOBER, 1904.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.-Mr. Speaker took the Chair, and read Prayers.

2. ATTACK BY RUSSIAN FLEET UPON BRITISH FISHERMEN.-Mr. Reid moved, by leave,-

- (1) That this House feels bound in the present grave crisis to express its profound indignation at the cruel and wanton attack recently made by a Russian Fleet upon British fishermen whilst they were engaged in their peaceful calling.
- (2) That this House fully sympathizes with the British Government and people in their demand that those who directed this outrage be punished.
- (3) That at the same time, this House most earnestly hopes that the peace existing between the British Empire and the Empire of Russia will be preserved by a frank and honourable observance on the part of Russia of her obligations.
- And, Mr. Watson having seconded the motion-

Question—put and unanimously resolved in the affirmative.

- 3. OLD-AGE PENSIONS—SELECT COMMITTEE.—Mr. Chapman moved, by leave, That the Select Committee on Old-age Pensions have leave to report the minutes of evidence from time to time. Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
- 4. ELECTORAL ACT ADMINISTRATION—SELECT COMMITTEE.—Mr. Groom, Chairman, brought up the Report from the Select Committee on Electoral Act Administration, together with the Proceedings of the Committee, Minutes of Evidence, and Appendices. Ordered—To lie on the Table, and to be printed.
- SPECIAL ADJOURNMENT.—Mr. McLean moved, That the House, at its rising, adjourn until Wednesday next at half-past ten o'clock a.m. Debate ensued.

And the question having been amended by the omission of "half-past ten o'clock a.m.," and the insertion of "the usual time "----

Question—That the House, at its rising, adjourn until Wednesday next at the usual time—put. The House divided—

	Ayes, 32.	•	Noes, 10.	
	Mr. Bamford,	Mr. McLean,	Mr. Carpenter,	Mr. Tudor,
	Mr. Batchelor,	Mr. O'Malley,	Mr. Culpin,	Mr. Wilkinson.
	Sir Langdon Bonython,	Sir John Quick,	Mr. Lonsdale,	
••	Mr. Cameron,	Mr. Reid,	Mr. Mauger,	Tellers.
	Mr. Chapman,	Mr. Salmon,	Mr. McWilliams,	Mr. Mahon,
	Mr. Fisher,	Mr. Skene,	Mr. Spence,	Mr. McDonald.
	Sir John Forrest,	Mr. Sydney Smith,	1 /	
	Mr. Frazer,	Mr. Storrer,		
	Mr. Fuller,	Mr. David Thomson,		
	Sir Philip Fysh,	Mr. Dugald Thomson,		
	Mr. Groom,	Sir George Turner,		
	Mr. Hughes,	Mr. Watson,		
	Mr. Johnson,	Mr. Willis.		
	Mr. Kelly,			
	Mr. Lee,	Tellers.		
	Mr. Liddell,	Mr. Robinson,		
	Mr. McCay,	Mr. Wilks.		
And so it was resolved in the affirmative.				

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- SUPPLY.—The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.
 Mr. Deputy Speaker took the Chair; Mr. Dugald Thomson reported that the Committee had made progress, and that he was directed to ask, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.
 Resolved—That the House will, on Wednesday next, again resolve itself into the said Committee.
- 7. PAPER.—Mr. McCay presented, pursuant to the direction of an Act of Parliament— Defence Act 1903.—Military Forces—Addition to Regulations, Part] XIV.—Ordnance Department—par. 110A, dated 19th October, 1904. (Statutory Rules 1904, No. 65.)
- 8. ADJOURNMENT.—Mr. McLean moved, That the House do now adjourn. Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
- And then the House, at a quarter-past four o'clock p.m., adjourned until Wednesday next at half-past two o'clock p.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT.—All Members were present except—Mr. Conroy, Mr. Joseph Cook, Mr. G. B. Edwards, Mr. R. Edwards, Mr. Fowler, Mr. Glynn, Mr. Higgins, Mr. Hutchison, Mr. Isaacs, Mr. Kennedy, Mr. Kingston, Sir William Lyne, Mr. McColl, Mr. Poynton, Mr. Bruce Smith, Mr. Thomas, Mr. Watkins, and Mr. Wilson.

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