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## THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH.

No. 22.

## VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

## HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

WEDNESDAY, 23RD AUGUST, 1905.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair, and read Prayers.
2. PETITIONS.—Mr. G. B. Edwards presented a Petition from Jeffrey Denniss and Geo. T. Clarke, styling themselves President and Secretary respectively of the New South Wales Chamber of Manufactures, praying that the House will strike out of the Trade Marks Bill all the provisions relating to the union label.  
Petition received and read.  
A Petition, praying that stringent prohibitory legislation, such as is in force in New Zealand, against the importation and use of opium for smoking, may be enacted, was presented as under :—  
By Mr. Deakin—  
From A. M. Stewart and others, citizens of Appin and elsewhere, Victoria.  
Similar Petitions, with a total of 4,500 signatures, were presented from certain citizens of South Australia, as under :—  
By Mr. Batchelor—One Petition.  
By Sir Langdon Bonython—Three Petitions.  
By Mr. Glynn—Two Petitions.  
By Mr. Hutchison—Three Petitions.  
By Mr. Poynton—Forty-one Petitions.  
Petitions severally received.
3. ALTERATION OF TIME FOR NEXT MEETING.—Mr. Deakin moved, pursuant to notice, That the House, at its rising, adjourn until a quarter-past three o'clock to-morrow.  
Debate ensued.  
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
4. SUPPLY.—The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.  
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Salmon reported that the Committee had agreed to a certain resolution.  
Sir John Forrest moved, pursuant to notice, That the Standing Orders be suspended in order to enable all steps to be taken to obtain Supply and to pass a Supply Bill through all its stages without delay.  
Debate ensued.  
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.  
Mr. Salmon also acquainted the House 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.
5. SUPPLY RESOLUTION.—Mr. Salmon reported from the Committee of Supply a certain resolution, which was read, and is as follows :—  
*Resolved*—That a sum not exceeding Three hundred and sixty-three thousand two hundred and eighty-three pounds be granted to His Majesty for or towards defraying the services of the year ending 30th June, 1906.  
And, after debate, the said resolution was adopted by the House.

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6. WAYS AND MEANS.—The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Ways and Means.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Salmon reported that the Committee had agreed to a certain resolution.

Mr. Salmon also acquainted the House 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.

7. WAYS AND MEANS RESOLUTION.—Mr. Salmon reported from the Committee of Ways and Means a certain resolution, which was read, and is as follows:—

*Resolved*—That towards making good the supply granted to His Majesty for the services of the year ending 30th June, 1906, a sum not exceeding Three hundred and sixty-three thousand two hundred and eighty-three pounds be granted out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund.

And the said resolution was adopted by the House.

Ordered—That Sir John Forrest and Mr. Deakin do prepare and bring in a Bill to carry out the foregoing resolution.

8. SUPPLY BILL (No. 2) 1905-6.—Sir John Forrest then brought up a Bill intituled “*A Bill for an Act to grant and apply out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund a sum for the service of the year ending the thirtieth day of June One thousand nine hundred and six,*” and moved, That it be now read a first time.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a first time.

Sir John Forrest 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 gone through the Bill and had agreed to the same without amendment.

On the motion of Sir John Forrest, the House adopted the Report.

Sir John Forrest moved, That the Bill be now read a third time.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a third time.

9. MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.—SERVICE AND EXECUTION OF PROCESS BILL (1905).—Mr. Speaker announced the receipt of the following Message from the Senate:—

MR. SPEAKER,

Message No. 6.

The Senate returns to the House of Representatives the Bill for “*An Act to amend the Service and Execution of Process Act 1901,*” to which it has agreed, without amendment.

R. C. BAKER,  
President.

The Senate,

Melbourne, 23rd August, 1905.

10. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDER OF THE DAY.—Ordered, after debate—That the consideration of Order of the Day No. 3 be postponed until to-morrow.

11. EVIDENCE BILL.—SENATE'S AMENDMENTS.—The Order of the Day having been read for the consideration in Committee of the whole House of the amendments made by the Senate in this Bill—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 the amendments, which are as follow:—

No. 1.—Page 2, clause 4, line 2, after “the” insert “official”

No. 2.—Page 3, after clause 11 add the following new clause:—

*Affidavits.*

12. Affidavits for use in the High Court or any Court exercising Federal jurisdiction may be sworn before any Justice of the Peace without the issue of any commission for taking affidavits.

Affidavit may be sworn before Justice of the Peace.  
Cf. Queensland 1891 No. 14 s. 3.

On the motion of Mr. Isaacs, the House adopted the Report.

12. CENSUS AND STATISTICS BILL.—The Order of the Day having been read for the second reading of this Bill—Mr. Groom moved, That the Bill be now read a second time.

Mr. Kelly 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 to-morrow.

13. WIRELESS TELEGRAPHY BILL.—The Order of the Day having been read for the second reading of this Bill—Mr. Chapman 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.

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14. **POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.**—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day Nos. 7 to 10 inclusive be postponed until to-morrow.
15. **REPRESENTATION BILL.**—Mr. Groom moved, pursuant to notice, That he have leave to bring in a Bill for an Act relating to the Representation of the several States in the House of Representatives.  
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.  
 Mr. Groom then brought up a Bill intituled “*A Bill for an Act relating to the Representation of the several States in the House of Representatives,*” 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.
16. **ADJOURNMENT.**—Mr. Deakin moved, That the House do now adjourn.  
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

And then the House, at six minutes to eleven o'clock p.m., adjourned until to-morrow at a quarter-past three o'clock p.m.

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**MEMBERS PRESENT.**—All Members were present except—Mr. Cameron, Mr. Hughes, Mr. Kingston\*, Mr. McColl\*, Sir John Quick, Mr. Reid, Mr. Bruce Smith, Mr. Watson, and Mr. Webster.

\* On leave.

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