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THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH.

No. 66.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

THURSDAY, 9TH NOVEMBER, 1905.

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

- 2. PAPER.-Mr. Groom presented, pursuant to the direction of an Act of Parliament-Public Service Act 1902-Regulation No. 155-Allowances in Postmaster-General's Department-Statutory Rules 1905, No. 68.
- 3. POSTFONEMENT OF BUSINESS .- Ordered, after debate-That the Notice of Motion and Orders of the Day, General Business, Nos. 1 and 2 be postponed until Thursday, 23rd instant.

4. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDER OF THE DAY. -Sir John Forrest moved, That Order of the Day, General Business, No. 3 be postponed until Thursday, 23rd instant.

Debate ensued. Question-put. The House divided—

| Mr. Bamford, Mr. Batchelor, Mr. Brown, Mr. Brown, Mr. Page, Mr. Carpenter, Mr. Poynton, Mr. Chanter, Mr. Chanter, Mr. Ronald, Mr. Ronald, Mr. Spence, Mr. Crouch, Mr. Storrer, Mr. Crouch, Mr. Thomas, Mr. Culpin, Mr. David Thomson, Mr. Fisher, Mr. Fisher, Mr. Wilkinson. Mr. Higgins, Mr. Hutchison, Mr. Keney, Mr. Hutchison, Mr. Kellers,Mr. Conroy, Mr. Conroy, Mr. Joseph Cook, Mr. Joseph Cook, Mr. Joseph Cook, Mr. Joseph Cook, Mr. Joseph Cook, Mr. Joseph Cook, Mr. Sydney Smith, Mr. Willis, Mr. Willis, Mr. Willis, Mr. Kelly, Mr. Kelly, Mr. Knox, Mr. Lee, Mr. Lonsdale, Mr. Robinson, Mr. Wilks.Mr. Storrer, Mr. David Thomson, Mr. Fisher, Mr. Watkins, Sir John Forrest, Mr. Wilkinson. Mr. Hutchison, Mr. Hutchison, Mr. Kennedy,Mr. McLean, Mr. Storrer, Mr. Watson, Mr. Welkens, Mr. Mr. Watson, Mr. Wilkinson. | Ayes, 33. | | Noes, 15. | | |
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| Sir William Lyne, Mr. Hume Cook, | Mr. Bamford, Mr. Batchelor, Mr. Brown, Mr. Carpenter, Mr. Chanter, Mr. Chapman, Mr. Crouch, Mr. Culpin, Mr. Culpin, Mr. Deakin, Mr. Deakin, Mr. Fisher, Sir John Forrest, Mr. Groom, Mr. Higgins, Mr. Hutchison, Mr. Kennedy, Sir William Lyne, | Mr. McDonald, Mr. O'Malley, Mr. Page, Mr. Poynton, Mr. Ronald, Mr. Spence, Mr. Storrer, Mr. Thomas, Mr. David Thomson, Mr. Tudor, Mr. Watkins, Mr. Watkins, Mr. Watkins, Mr. Wilkinson. <i>Tellers</i> . Mr. Hume Cook, | Mr. Conroy, Mr. Joseph Cook, Mr. R. Edwards, Mr. Fuller, Mr. Kelly, Mr. Knox, Mr. Lee, Mr. Lonsdale, | Mr. Skene, Mr. Sydney Smith, Mr. Willis, Mr. Wilson. <i>Tellers</i> . Mr. Robinson, | |

5. POSTFONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY .- Ordered, after debate-That the remaining Orders of the Day, General Business, be postponed as follows, viz. :--Order of the Day No. 4 until Thursday, 30th instant, and Order of the Day No. 5 until to-morrow.

6. APPROPRIATION BILL 1905-6.-The Order of the Day having been read for the third reading of this Bill-Sir John Forrest moved, That the Bill be now read a third time. Debate ensued.

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

7. MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.-SECRET COMMISSIONS BILL.-Mr. Speaker announced the receipt of the following Message from the Senate :---

MR. SPEAKER,

Message No. 18.

President.

The Senate has agreed to the Bill returned herewith intituled "A Bill for an Act relating to Secret Commissions, Rebates, and Profits," with the amendments indicated in the annexed Schedule, in which amendments the Senate desires the concurrence of the House of Representatives. R. C. BAKER,

The Senate,

Melbourne, 9th November, 1905.

Ordered-That the foregoing Message be taken into consideration forthwith 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 agreed to the amendments, which are as follow :----

No. 1.—Page 2, clause 4, line 20, leave out "Five hundred" insert "One thousand". No. 2.—Page 2, clause 5, line 36, leave out "Five hundred" insert "One thousand". No. 3.—Page 2, clause 6, line 45, leave out "Five hundred" insert "One thousand".

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

8. SUGAR BOUNTY BILL (1905).-The Order of the Day having been read for the second reading of this Bill-Sir William Lyne moved, That the Bill be now read a second time. Mr. Joseph Cook 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.

9. EXCISE [SUGAR] TARIFF BILL (1905).—The Order of the Day having been read for the second reading of this Bill-Sir William Lyne moved, That the Bill be now read a second time. Mr. McCay 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.

10. PAPER.—Mr. Deakin presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor-General—

Federal Capital Site—Letter from the Premier of New South Wales to the Prime Minister of the Commonwealth, dated 8th November, 1905.

Ordered to lie on the Table.

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- 11. ADJOURNMENT.-Sir William Lyne moved, That the House do now adjourn. Question-put and resolved in the affirmative.
- And then the House, at a quarter past eleven o'clock p.m., adjourned until to-morrow at half-past ten o'clock a.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT.—All Mémbers were present except—Mr. Cameron, Mr. G. B. Edwards, Mr. Fowler, Sir Philip Fysh, Mr. Glynn, Mr. Harper, Mr. Hughes, Mr. Kingston*, Mr. Liddell, Mr. McColl, Mr. McWilliams, Sir John Quick, Mr. Reid, Mr. Bruce Smith, Mr. Dugald Thomson, and Sir George Turner*.

* On leave.

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

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