THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH.

No. 83.

VOTES AND **PROCEEDINGS**

OF THE

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

TUESDAY, 12TH DECEMBER, 1905.

- 1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.
- 2. ABSENCE OF Mr. SPEAKER.—The Clerk at the Table having informed the House that Mr. Speaker was unavoidably absent, the Chairman of Committees took the Chair as Deputy-Speaker, and read Prayers.
- 3. Defence of Australia-Paper ordered to be Printed.—Mr. Ewing moved, by leave, That the Paper, "Defence of Australia, Reports by Captain Creswell, Naval Director," presented to the House on the 8th instant (page 196 ante), be printed. Question-put and resolved in the affirmative.
- 4. Australian Industries Preservation Bill.—Sir William Lyne moved, pursuant to notice, That hehave leave to bring in a Bill for an Act for the Preservation of Australian Industries, and for the Repression of Commercial Trusts.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

Sir William Lyne then brought up a Bill intituled "A Bill for an Act for the Preservation of Australian Industries, and for the Repression of Commercial Trusts," and moved, That it be now read a first

- 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. QUEEN VICTORIA MEMORIAL BILL.—The Order of the Day having been read for the consideration in Committee of the whole House of His Excellency the Governor-General's Message No. 27-
 - Mr. Deputy-Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole. Mr. Deputy-Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. McDonald 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 revenue be made for the purposes of a Bill for an Act to grant and apply out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund the sum of Twentyfive thousand pounds for the purposes of the erection of a Memorial in honour of the late Queen

· And the said resolution was adopted by the House.

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

Mr. Deakin then brought up a Bill intituled "A Bill for an Act to grant and apply out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund the sum of Twenty-five thousand pounds for the purposes of the erection of a Memorial in honour of the late Queen Victoria," and moved, That it be now read a first time.

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

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Ordered, by leave—That the second reading be made an Order of the Day for this day, and that the Bill be passed through its remaining stages this day.

Mr. Deakin moved, That the Bill be now read a second time.

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

Mr. Deputy-Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole.

Mr. Deputy-Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Batchelor reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill and had agreed to the same without amendment.

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

Mr. Deakin moved, That the Bill be now read a third time.

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

6. PRICE AND BAYLY COMPENSATION BILL.—The Order of the Day having been read for the consideration in Committee of the whole House of His Excellency the Governor-General's Message No. 26—

Mr. Deputy-Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole.

Mr. Deputy-Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Batchelor 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 revenue be made for the purposes of a Bill for an Act to provide for compensation to be paid to Colonel Price, C.B., and Lieutenant-Colonel Bayly.

And the said resolution was adopted by the House.

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

Mr. Ewing then brought up a Bill intituled "A Bill for an Act to provide for Compensation to be paid to Colonel Price, C.B., and Lieutenant-Colonel Bayly," 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.

7. Manufactures Encouragement Bill (No. 3).—The Order of the Day having been read for the resumption of the debate on the question, That the Bill be now read a second time—

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

Mr. Deputy-Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole.

Mr. Speaker took the Chair; Mr. Batchelor reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill and had agreed to the same with amendments.

Mr. Deakin moved, pursuant to contingent notice, That the Standing Orders be suspended to enable the Bill to pass through all its remaining stages without delay.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

Sir William Lyne moved, That the Report from the Committee of the whole House on the Bill be now adopted.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

Sir William Lyne moved, That the Bill be now read a third time.

Debate ensued.

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

8. Electoral Bill (1905).—The Order of the Day having been read for the further consideration of this Bill 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 a quorum of Members was not present in the Committee; whereupon Mr. Speaker counted the House, and a quorum of Members having been obtained, the House again resolved itself into the Committee.

Mr. Speaker again 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.

9. Message from the Senate.—Pacific Cable.—Mr. Speaker announced the receipt of the following Message from the Senate:—

Mr. SPEAKER.

Message No. 27.

The Senate requests the concurrence of the House of Representatives in the following resolution, agreed to by the Senate on 7th December, 1905:—

"That the Government should do everything in its power to make the State-owned Pacific Cable a financial success and an up-to-date business enterprise."

R. C. BAKER,

President.

The Senate,

Melbourne, 12th December, 1905.

Ordered—That the consideration of the foregoing Message in Committee of the whole House be made an Order of the Day for to-morrow.

10. PAPER.—Mr. Ewing presented, pursuant to the direction of an Act of Parliament-

Defence Acts 1903-4—Military Forces—Financial and Allowance Regulations—Statutory Rules 1905, No. 77.

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11. ALTERATION OF TIME OF NEXT MEETING.—Mr. Deakin moved, That the House, at its rising, adjourn until half-past ten o'clock a.m. to-morrow. Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

12. Adjournment.—Mr. Deakin moved, That the House do now adjourn. Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

And then the House at half-past eleven o'clock p.m., adjourned until to-morrow at half-past ten o'clock a.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT.—All Members were present except—Sir Langdon Bonython, Mr. Brown, Mr. Cameron, Mr. Culpin, Mr. G. B. Edwards, Sir Philip Fysh, Mr. Gibb, Mr. Glynn, Mr. Hughes, Mr. Johnson, Mr. Kingston, Mr. Phillips, Sir John Quick, and Mr. Reid.

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