THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH.

No. 25.

VOTES **PROCEEDINGS** AND

OF THE

REPRESENTATIVES. HOUSE OF

THURSDAY, 19TH JULY, 1906.

- 1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair, and read Prayers.
- 2. Canteen Bill.—The Order of the Day having been read for the second reading of this Bill—Mr. Mauger moved, That the Bill be now read a second time. Debate ensued.

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. Mauger reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and had agreed to the same with amendments.

On the motion of Mr. Johnson, the House ordered that the Standing Orders be suspended so as to allow the Bill to be passed through its remaining stages this day. On the motion of Mr. Johnson, the House adopted the Report.

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

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

- 3. Postponement of Order of the Day. —Ordered —That the consideration of Order of the Day, General Business, No. 2, be postponed until Thursday, 2nd August next.
- 4. South Pacific Islands: Rebate of Duties on Produce from .-- Mr. Johnson moved, pursuant to notice, That, with a view to promote and encourage settlement by people of our own race in the Southern Pacific Islands—particularly in the New Hebrides Group—it is desirable to allow a rebate of duties on all produce grown by British and Australian settlers in those islands coming into the Australian Commonwealth.

Mr. Deakin 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 Thursday next.

5. Telephones: Toll or Call System .-- Mr. Webster moved, pursuant to notice, That, in the opinion of this House, it is necessary and advisable to adopt the Toll or Call system throughout the Telephone Service of the Commonwealth at the earliest possible date.

Mr. Lonsdale, addressing the House, and not having concluded his speech, the House ordered that he have leave to continue his speech when the debate is resumed.

- Ordered—That the debate be now adjourned, and that the resumption of the debate be made an Order of the Day for Thursday next.
- 6. Postponement of Motion.—Ordered—That the consideration of Motion No. 3 be postponed until Thursday, 2nd August next.
- 7. Supply.—Pursuant to the provisions of Standing Order No. 241, the Order of the Day having been read for going into the Committee of Supply—

Question proposed—That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and negatived.

Resolved—That the House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

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8. Judiciary Bill (1906).—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—

Debate resumed.

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

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

MEMBERS PRESENT.—All Members were present (at some time during the sitting) except—Mr. Chanter, Mr. G. B. Edwards*, Mr. Groom, Mr. Harper, Mr. Kingston, Mr. Reid*, Mr. Sydney Smith, Mr. Spence, Mr. Dugald Thomson, Mr. Wilks, and Mr. Willis.

*On leave.

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