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THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH.

No. 32.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

WEDNESDAY, 1ST AUGUST, 1906.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair, and read Prayers.
2. PAPERS.—Mr. Groom presented, pursuant to the direction of an Act of Parliament—
Property for Public Purposes Acquisition Act 1901—Land acquired under, at—
East Perth, Western Australia—As a site for a Post Office.
Forster, New South Wales—As a site for a Post Office.
3. CANTEENS AT BARRACKS.—Mr. Kelly moved, pursuant to notice, *amended*, That a Return be laid upon the Table of the House showing—
 - (1) The average number of men quartered at the Victoria Barracks, Sydney, and other barracks of permanent troops during the past year.
 - (2) The total number of men reported drunk in barracks.
 - (3) What proportion of these had on the occasion named received drink in the barracks canteen.
 - (4) What proportion of these had on the occasion named received drink from outside sources.
 - (5) The amount of spirits per man sold last year.
 - (6) List of articles kept for sale by canteens.
 - (7) Purposes to which canteen profits applied.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
4. METEOROLOGY 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.
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. McDonald reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill and had agreed to the same with a new clause.
On the motion of Mr. Groom, 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. Groom, the House adopted the Report.
Mr. Groom moved, That the Bill be now read a third time.
On the motion of Mr. Joseph Cook, the House ordered the debate to be adjourned until this day at a later hour.
5. DESIGNS BILL.—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.
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. McDonald reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and had agreed to the same with an amendment.
Ordered—That the consideration of the Report be made an Order of the Day for to-morrow.

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6. METEOROLOGY BILL.—The Order of the Day having been read for the resumption of the debate on the question, That the Bill be now read a third time—
Motion, by leave, withdrawn.
Mr. Dugald Thomson moved, That the Bill be now recommitted to a Committee of the whole House.
Debate ensued.
Question put—
The House divided—

Ayes, 8.		Noes, 31.	
Sir Langdon	Mr. Dugald	Mr. Bamford,	Mr. Mahon,
Bonython,	Thomson.	Mr. Carpenter,	Mr. McCay,
Mr. Brown,		Mr. Chanter,	Mr. McColl,
Mr. Joseph Cook,	<i>Tellers.</i>	Mr. Chapman,	Mr. McDonald,
Mr. Glynn,	Mr. Kelly,	Mr. Culpin,	Mr. McWilliams
Mr. Lonsdale,	Mr. Wilson.	Mr. Deakin,	Mr. Poynton,
		Mr. Ewing,	Sir John Quick,
		Mr. Fisher,	Mr. Ronald,
		Sir John Forrest,	Mr. Salmon,
		Mr. Frazer,	Mr. Watkins,
		Mr. Groom,	Mr. Webster,
		Mr. Higgins,	Mr. Wilkinson.
		Mr. Hughes,	
		Mr. Hutchison,	<i>Tellers.</i>
		Mr. Isaacs,	Mr. Hume Cook,
		Mr. Kennedy,	Mr. Storrer.
		Sir William Lyne,	

And so it passed in the negative.

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

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

7. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDER OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Order of the Day No. 3 be postponed until to-morrow.
8. AUDIT BILL (1906).—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. McDonald reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill and had agreed to the same without amendment.
Sir John Forrest moved, That the Bill be now recommitted to a Committee of the whole House.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House again resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole.
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. McDonald reported that the Committee had reconsidered the Bill and had agreed to the same with amendments.
On the motion of Sir John Forrest, 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 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. ADJOURNMENT.—Mr. Deakin moved, That the House do now adjourn.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

MEMBERS PRESENT.—All Members were present (at some time during the sitting) except—Mr. Cameron, Mr. Conroy, Mr. G. B. Edwards*, Mr. Johnson, Mr. Kingston, Mr. Liddell, Mr. Page, Mr. Phillips, Mr. Reid*, Mr. Bruce Smith, Mr. Sydney Smith, Mr. David Thomson, Sir George Turner, Mr. Wilks, and Mr. Willis.

* On leave.

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