THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH.

No. 52.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

WEDNESDAY, 5TH SEPTEMBER, 1906.

- 1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair, and read Prayers.
- PAPER.—Mr. Deakin presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament—
 Immigration Restriction Acts 1901-1905.—Provisional Regulation—Statutory Rules 1906, No. 70.
- 3. PREFERENTIAL DUTIES ON BRITISH GOODS—COMPARATIVE VALUES OF ARTICLES IMPORTED.—Mr. Kelly moved, pursuant to notice, That there be laid upon the Table of the House a Return showing—
 - (1) The values each year for the past three years of each line of imported articles—
 - (a) From the United Kingdom,
 - (b) From elsewhere,

on which a preference is proposed to be granted to the products of the United Kingdom.

- (2) The values each year for the past three years of each line of imported articles—
 - (a) From the United Kingdom,
 - (b) From elsewhere,

on which no such preference is proposed to be granted.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

- 4. STRIPPER HARVESTERS—IMPORTS, MANUFACTURES, AND EXPORTS.—Mr. Kelly moved, pursuant to notice, That there be laid upon the Table of the House a Return showing—
 - (1) The number of stripper harvesters imported-
 - (a) From Canada (whether vid other countries or direct),
 - (b) From elsewhere,

during each of the last two years.

- (2) The number of Australian stripper harvesters produced in Australia during each of the last two years.
- (3) The number of Australian stripper harvesters exported from Australia during each of the last two years.
- (4) The countries to which Australian stripper harvesters have been exported during each of the last two years.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

- 5. Ways and Means.—The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Ways. and Means.
 - Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. McDonald reported that the Committee had made progress, 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.

· PAPER.—The following Paper was laid upon the Table by the Clerk:—

Stripper Harvesters—Imports, Manufactures, and Exports.—Return to an order of the House dated this day.

Ordered—That the Paper be printed.

7. Constitution Alteration (State Debts) Bill.—Sir John Forrest, pursuant to an Order of the House made on the 30th ultimo, brought up a Bill intituled "A Bill for an Act to alter the Provisions of the Constitution relating to the Public Debts of the States," 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.

8 MESSAGE EDON THE SENATE AND ALLAN TANDETTER PRESENTATION PARTY Mr. Special

8. Message from the Senate.—Australian Industries Preservation Bill.—Mr. Speaker announced the receipt of the following Message from the Senate:—

MR. SPEAKER,

Message No. 11.

The Senate has agreed to the Bill, returned herewith, intituled "A Bill for an Act for the Preservation of Australian Industries, and for the Repression of Destructive Monopolies," 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,

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Melbourne, 5th September, 1906.

President.

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

9. ADJOURNMENT.—Mr. Deakin moved, That the House do now adjourn.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

And then the House, at twenty-eight 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. Fowler, Mr. Gibb, Mr. Kingston*, Mr. Lonsdale, Sir William Lyne, Mr. Reid, Mr. Skene, Mr. Sydney Smith, Mr. Dugald Thomson, and Mr. Webster.

On leave

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