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THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH.

No. 62.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

TUESDAY, 25TH SEPTEMBER, 1906.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair, and read Prayers.
2. MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.—SPIRITS BILL.—Mr. Speaker announced the receipt of the following Message from the Senate:—

MR. SPEAKER,

Message No. 16.

The Senate returns to the House of Representatives the Bill for "*An Act relating to Spirits*," to which it has agreed with the amendments indicated in the annexed Schedule, in which amendments the Senate requests the concurrence of the House of Representatives.

The Senate,

R. C. BAKER,
President.

Melbourne, 25th September, 1906.

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

3. MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.—EXCISE TARIFF [SPIRITS] BILL (1906).—Mr. Speaker announced the receipt of the following Message from the Senate:—

MR. SPEAKER,

Message No. 17.

The Senate returns to the House of Representatives the Bill for "*An Act to amend the 'Excise Tariff' 1902*," and requests the House to amend the Bill as set forth in the annexed Schedule.

The Senate,

R. C. BAKER,
President.

Melbourne, 25th September, 1906.

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

4. PAPER.—Mr. Groom presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament—Electoral Acts 1902-1905.—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1906, No. 78.
5. SUSPENSION OF STANDING ORDER No. 70.—Mr. Deakin moved, pursuant to Notice, That Standing Order No. 70 be suspended for the remainder of the Session.
Debate ensued.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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6. CUSTOMS TARIFF (BRITISH PREFERENCE) BILL (1906).—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. 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 amendments.
Mr. Deakin moved, pursuant to contingent notice, That the Standing Orders be suspended to enable the Bill to pass through its remaining stages without delay.
Debate ensued.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
On the motion of Sir William Lyne the House adopted the Report.
Sir William Lyne moved, That the Bill be now read a third time.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a third time.
7. PAPERS.—Mr. Speaker presented—
Finance 1905-6—The Treasurer's Statement of Receipts and Expenditure during the year ended 30th June, 1906, accompanied by the Report of the Auditor-General.
Ordered to lie on the Table, and to be printed.
Sir John Forrest presented, pursuant to the direction of an Act of Parliament—
Audit Act 1901—Transfers of amounts approved by the Governor-General in Council—
Financial year 1905-6 (dated 25th September, 1906).
8. SUPPLY.—The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.
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.
9. ADJOURNMENT.—Mr. Deakin moved, That the House do now adjourn.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

And then the House, at twenty minutes to twelve o'clock midnight, 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. Cameron, Mr. Conroy, Mr. Joseph Cook, Mr. Fowler, Mr. Fuller, Sir Philip Fysh, Mr. Gibb, Mr. Glynn, Mr. Isaacs, Mr. Kingston, Mr. Lee, Mr. Lonsdale, Mr. McColl, Mr. McWilliams, Sir John Quick, Mr. Skene, Mr. Sydney Smith, Mr. Dugald Thomson, and Mr. Wilks.

C. GAVAN DUFFY,
Clerk of the House of Representatives