THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

No. 78.

THURSDAY, 7TH AUGUST, 1952.

- 1. The House met, at half-past two o'clock p.m., pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker (the Honorable A. G. Cameron) took the Chair, and read Prayers.
- 2. EMPLOYMENT SITUATION-MINISTERIAL STATEMENT-MOTION FOR PRINTING PAPER.-Mr. McBride (Acting Minister for Labour and National Service), by leave, made a Ministerial Statement dealing with the employment situation, and, by command of His Excellency the Governor-General, laid upon the Table the following Paper:-

Employment Situation—Ministerial Statement—and moved, That the Paper be printed.

Mr. Calwell moved, That the debate be now adjourned.

Question—That the debate be now adjourned—put and passed.

Ordered—That the resumption of the debate be made an Order of the Day for the next sitting.

3. Immigration Programme—Revision—Ministerial Statement—Motion for Printing Paper.— Mr. Beale (Acting Minister for Immigration), by leave, made a Ministerial Statement in regard to the Government's decision to revise the immigration programme. Mr. Beale then, by command of His Excellency the Governor-General, laid upon the Table the following Paper:-

Immigration Programme—Revision—Ministerial Statement—

and moved, That the Paper be printed.

Mr. Calwell moved, That the debate be now adjourned.

Question—That the debate be now adjourned—put and passed.

Ordered—That the resumption of the debate be made an Order of the Day for the next sitting.

4. Papers.—The following Papers were presented, pursuant to Statute—

Lands Acquisition Act—Land acquired for-

Defence purposes—Singleton, New South Wales.

Postal purposes—Willow Creek, South Australia.

Public Service Act-Appointments-Department of Defence Production-L. Allan, J. B. Lawler, H. P. Wagstaff.

5. South Pacific Commission-Ninth Session-Ministerial Statement-Motion for Printing PAPER.—The Order of the Day having been read for the resumption of the debate on the following motion of Mr. Hasluck (Minister for Territories), That the Paper [presented on the 3rd June, 1952],

South Pacific Commission-Ninth Session-Ministerial Statement-

be printed-

Debate resumed.

Question—put and negatived.

6. International Affairs—Ministerial Statement—United Nations General Assembly Report— MOTION FOR PRINTING PAPERS.—The Order of the Day having been read for the resumption of the debate on the following motion of Mr. Casey (Minister for External Affairs), That the Papers [presented on the 4th June, 1952], viz.:-

International Affairs-Ministerial Statement, 4th June, 1952; and

United Nations—General Assembly—Sixth Session, Paris, November, 1951—February, 1952— Summary Report of Australian Delegation-

be printed-

Debate resumed.

Mr. Davidson moved, That the debate be now adjourned.

Question—That the debate be now adjourned—put and passed.

Ordered-That the resumption of the debate be made an Order of the Day for the next sitting. F.2180.

7. Adjournment.—Mr. Hasluck (Minister for Territories) moved, That the House do now adjourn. Debate ensued.

Question—put and passed.

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

MEMBERS PRESENT.—All Members were present (at some time during the sitting) except Mr. Adermann, Mr. Beazley, Mr. Bird, Mr. Casey, Mr. Clark, Mr. Drummond, Mr. Duthie, Mr. Holt, Mr. Howse, Mr. Hulme, Mr. Keon, Mr. Lazzarini, Mr. McDonald, Mr. Nelson, Mr. O'Connor, Mr. Pollard, Mr. Rosevear, Mr. Townley and Mr. Treloar.

F. C. GREEN,

Clerk of the House of Representatives.