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THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH.

No. 12.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

THURSDAY, 25TH JULY, 1907.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair, and read Prayers.
2. PRINTING COMMITTEE—THIRD REPORT FROM.—Sir John Quick, Chairman, brought up the Third Report from the Printing Committee (sitting in conference with the Printing Committee of the Senate).
The Report was read by the Clerk, and is as follows:—

REPORT.

The Printing Committee have the honour to report that they have met in conference with the Printing Committee of the Senate.

The Joint Committee recommend that the following be printed:—

Petition from the President of the Softgoods Warehousemen's Association of Queensland in reference to the proposed Conditions of Tender for Mail Service.

Public Service Act—Return showing number of persons in the service exempt from provisions of Act (*presented to Senate*).

Proposed Railway from Kalgoorlie to Port Augusta.—Information as to character of the adjacent country.

JOHN QUICK,
Chairman.

Committee Room,
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Sir John Quick moved, by leave, That the Report be adopted.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

3. ADJOURNMENT—MOTION FOR PURPOSE OF DISCUSSION.—Mr. Joseph Cook rose in his place, and said that he proposed to move the adjournment of the House for the purpose of discussing a definite matter of urgent public importance, namely, "Telephone anomalies."
Mr. Speaker thereupon called upon those Members who approved of the proposed discussion to rise in their places, and more than the necessary number of Members having risen accordingly—
Mr. Joseph Cook moved, That the House do now adjourn.
Debate ensued.
Question—put and negatived.
4. FIRE INSURANCE BILL (1907).—Mr. Frazer moved, pursuant to notice, That he have leave to bring in a Bill for an Act relating to Fire Insurance.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
Mr. Frazer then brought up a Bill intituled "*A Bill for an Act relating to Fire Insurance*," 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 Thursday, 8th August next.
5. 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—That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair—put and negatived.
Resolved—That the House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

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6. BOUNTIES BILL (1907).—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 made progress in the Bill, 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.
7. ADJOURNMENT.—Sir William Lyne moved, That the House do now adjourn.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

And then the House at fourteen 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. Bamford, Mr. Thomas Brown, Mr. Deakin, Mr. Harper, Mr. Kingston, Mr. Mahon, Mr. Reid, Mr. Sinclair, Mr. Bruce Smith, Mr. Dugald Thomson, and Mr. Willis.

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