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THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH

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VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

WEDNESDAY, 31ST JULY, 1907.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair, and read Prayers.
2. PETITION.—Mr. Edwards presented a Petition from Wm. Doherty and others, arrowroot growers, manufacturers, and cornflour manufacturers, of the Albert District, Queensland, praying that the House, when revising the Tariff, will afford them relief by increasing the import duty on arrowroot and cornflour, and so save from extinction their industry.
Petition received and read.
3. PAPERS.—Mr. Mauger presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor-General—
Meteorological Central Bureau—Papers relating to its establishment in Melbourne.
Ordered to lie on the Table.
Mr. Mauger presented, pursuant to the direction of an Act of Parliament—
Public Service Act—Temporary Employés.—Return showing the names of all persons temporarily employed in the Public Service during the year 1906-7, their periods of employment, and the remuneration paid to them.
4. BOUNTIES BILL (1907).—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 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.
5. ADDRESS IN REPLY—TIME FOR PRESENTATION.—Mr. Speaker informed the House that His Excellency the Governor-General had fixed the time and place for the presentation of the Address in Reply for to-morrow, at two o'clock p.m., at Government House. Mr. Speaker stated that he would be glad if such honorable Members, including the mover and seconder, as were able to do so, would accompany him to present the Address, and would meet for that purpose in the Queen's Hall just before a quarter to two o'clock.
6. ADJOURNMENT.—Sir William Lyne moved, That the House do now adjourn.
Debate ensued.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

And then the House, at half-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. Thomas Brown, Mr. Deakin, Mr. Foster, Mr. Glynn, Mr. Harper, Mr. Kingston, Mr. Sinclair, and Mr. Dugald Thomson.

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