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THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH.

No. 30.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

THURSDAY, 29TH AUGUST, 1907.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair, and read Prayers.
2. ORDER OF THE DAY—DATE FOR, ALTERED.—Ordered, That Order of the Day, General Business No. 2, Thursday, 5th September next, be made an Order of the Day for Thursday, 12th September next.
3. INDUSTRIAL LEGISLATION—UNIFORMITY IN COMMONWEALTH.—Mr. Coon moved, pursuant to notice, That, in order to give the industrial classes the full benefit of the protective policy adopted by the people of the Commonwealth, this House is of opinion that Industrial Legislation throughout Australia should be of a uniform character, and that, in order to secure such uniformity, the State Governments should be asked by the Federal Government to introduce legislation which would give the Commonwealth Parliament the necessary power, as provided for by the Constitution, to enact such Industrial Legislation.  
Mr. Hume Cook moved, That the debate be now adjourned.  
Question—That the debate be now adjourned—put and resolved in the affirmative.  
Ordered—That the resumption of the debate be made an Order of the Day for Thursday, 26th September next.
4. OVERSEA MAIL TENDERS AND UNIONISTS.—Mr. Hughes moved, pursuant to notice, That, in the opinion of this House, no tender for the carriage of mails from the Commonwealth to countries beyond the seas should be accepted in cases where such tenderer differentiates against members of any union.  
Mr. Tudor moved, That the debate be now adjourned.  
Question—That the debate be now adjourned—put and resolved in the affirmative.  
Ordered—That the resumption of the debate be made an Order of the Day for Thursday, 26th September next.
5. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDER OF THE DAY.—Ordered, That the consideration of Order of the Day, General Business, No. 1, be postponed until Thursday, 26th September next.
6. ELECTORAL [DISPUTED RETURNS] BILL (1907).—The Order of the Day having been read for the second reading of this Bill, Mr. Chanter moved, That the Bill be now read a second time.  
Debate ensued.  
Mr. Mauger moved, That the debate be now adjourned.  
Question—That the debate be now adjourned—put and resolved in the affirmative.  
Ordered—That the resumption of the debate be made an Order of the Day for Thursday, 26th September next.
7. MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.—BILLS OF EXCHANGE BILL.—Mr. Speaker announced the receipt of the following Message from the Senate :—

MR. SPEAKER,

*Message No. 9.*

The Senate has passed a Bill for "An Act relating to Bills of Exchange, Cheques and Promissory Notes," and transmits the same to the House of Representatives for its concurrence.

A. J. GOULD,  
President.

The Senate,  
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8. **BILLS OF EXCHANGE BILL.**—Mr. Groom moved, That the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message intituled "*A Bill for an Act relating to Bills of Exchange, Cheques and Promissory Notes,*" 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.

9. **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.

10. **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 eleven o'clock p.m., adjourned until to-morrow at half-past ten o'clock a.m.

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**MEMBERS PRESENT.**—All Members were present (at some time during the sitting) except—Mr. Tilley Brown, Mr. Thomas Brown, Mr. Carr, Mr. Deakin\*, Mr. Foster, Mr. Hall, Mr. Harper\*, Mr. Kelly, Mr. Kingston\*, Mr. Reid, Mr. Salmon, Mr. Sinclair, Mr. Dugald Thomson, Mr. Webster, and Mr. Wilson.

\* On leave.

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