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THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH.

No. 66.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

THURSDAY, 31ST OCTOBER, 1907.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair, and read Prayers.
2. PETITION.—Mr. Willis presented a Petition from H. M. Parkes, styling himself chairman of a public meeting held in Sydney, praying that the House will not pass into law the high Customs duties proposed.
Petition received and read.
3. WAYS AND MEANS.—The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Ways and Means.
And the Committee continuing to sit till after midnight—

FRIDAY, 1ST NOVEMBER, 1907.

- 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, this day, again resolve itself into the said Committee.
4. MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.—EXCISE PROCEDURE BILL.—Mr. Speaker announced the receipt of the following Message from the Senate:—

MR. SPEAKER,

Message No. 14.

The Senate has passed a Bill for "*An Act relating to Procedure on Applications for a Declaration under the 'Excise Tariff' 1906 (Act No. 16 of 1906)*," and transmits the same to the House of Representatives for its concurrence.

The Senate,
Melbourne, 31st October, 1907.

A. J. GOULD,
President

5. EXCISE PROCEDURE BILL.—Mr. Groom moved, That the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message, intituled "*A Bill for an Act relating to Procedure on Applications for a Declaration under the 'Excise Tariff' 1906 (Act No. 16 of 1906)*," 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 this day.
6. ADJOURNMENT.—Sir William Lyne moved, That the House do now adjourn.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

And then the House, at twenty-five minutes to one o'clock in the morning, adjourned until this day at half-past ten o'clock a.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT.—All Members were present (at some time during the sitting) except—Mr. W. H. Irvine, Mr. Kelly, Mr. Kingston, Mr. Livingston, Mr. Mahon, Sir John Quick, and Mr. Bruce Smith.

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