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THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH.

No. 100.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

WEDNESDAY, 18TH MARCH, 1908.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair, and read Prayers.
2. PAPERS.—Mr. Chapman presented, pursuant to the direction of an Act of Parliament—
 Customs Act—Regulation 55 (a)—Statutory Rules 1908, No. 31.
 Mr. Hume Cook presented, pursuant to the direction of an Act of Parliament—
 Census and Statistics Act—Statistics of the Commonwealth—
 Official Bulletins—
 Trade, Shipping, Oversea Migration, and Finance—
 No. 10.—October, 1907.
 No. 11.—November, 1907.
 No. 12.—December, 1907.
 Population and Vital Statistics—
 No. 4.—Quarter ended 30th June, 1907.
 Transport and Communication.—No. 1.—Summary, 1901 to 1906.
 Production.—No. 1.—Summary, 1901 to 1906.
3. PUBLIC SERVANTS OVER AGE LIMIT RETIRED OR RETAINED.—Mr. Bamford moved, pursuant to notice, That a Return be laid upon the Table showing—
 (1) The number of officers in the Commonwealth Public Service who have been compulsorily retired upon reaching the age limit during the five years ending the 31st December, 1907.
 (2) The number of officers (if any) retained in the service who have reached or are past the retiring age, giving the salaries paid to each of the officers retained (if any), and the salaries paid to those retired.
 (3) The number of officers who were, on the 31st December last, over 60 years of age.
 [The number in each State in each case to be given.]
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
4. AUSTRALIAN INDUSTRIES PRESERVATION 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. ADJOURNMENT.—Mr. Chapman moved, That the House do now adjourn.
 Debate ensued.
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

And then the House, at eight minutes 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. Tilley Brown, Mr. Thomas Brown, Mr. Catts, Mr. Edwards, Mr. Foster, Mr. Fowler, Sir Philip Fysh, Mr. Hughes, Mr. Hans Irvine, Mr. Kingston, Mr. Liddell, Mr. Mahon, Mr. Reid, Mr. Sampson, Mr. Sinclair, Mr. Bruce Smith, Mr. Spence, Mr. John Thomson, and Mr. Willis.

C. GAVAN DUFFY,

Clerk of the House of Representatives.