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THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH.

No. 102.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

FRIDAY, 20TH MARCH, 1908.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair, and read Prayers.
2. GOVERNOR-GENERAL OF THE COMMONWEALTH.—Mr. Deakin informed the House, that the Governor-General had received a cablegram from the Secretary of State, announcing the appointment of the Earl of Dudley, G.C.V.O., as his successor.
3. PETITION.—Mr. Chapman presented a Petition from David Shearer and J. Chas. Genders, styling themselves Chairman of Committee and Secretary respectively of the Manufacturers' Protectionist Association, of Adelaide, praying that the House will fix the Customs duties on Harvesters at £25, on Strippers at £15, and on Metal Parts at 2½d. per lb.
Petition received.
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 gone through the Bill and had agreed to the same with amendments.
Mr. Groom moved, by leave, That the Bill be now recommitted to a Committee of the whole House for the reconsideration of clause 4.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House again resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole.
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. McDonald reported that the Committee had reconsidered clause 4, and had agreed to the same with further amendments.
Ordered—That the consideration of the Committee's Reports be made an Order of the Day for Tuesday next.
5. SUPPLY.—The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.
Mr. Deputy-Speaker took the Chair; Mr. Salmon 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, on Tuesday next, again resolve itself into the said Committee.
6. SURPLUS REVENUE BILL.—Mr. Deakin, for Sir William Lyne, pursuant to leave given on the 13th instant, brought up a Bill intituled "*A Bill for an Act relating to the payment to the several States of the Surplus Revenue of the Commonwealth,*" 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 Tuesday next.
7. ADJOURNMENT.—Mr. Deakin moved, That the House do now adjourn.
Debate ensued.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

And then the House, at twenty-one minutes past four o'clock p.m., adjourned until Tuesday next, at three o'clock p.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT.—All Members were present (at some time during the sitting) except—Mr. Batchelor, Mr. Tilley Brown, Mr. Thomas Brown, Mr. Edwards, Mr. Fairbairn, Mr. Foster, Mr. Fowler, Sir Philip Fysh, Mr. Glynn, Mr. Hall, Mr. Hughes, Mr. Hutchison, Mr. Hans Irvine, Mr. Kingston, Mr. Liddell, Mr. Livingston, Sir John Quick, Mr. Reid, Mr. Sinclair, Mr. Bruce Smith, Mr. Spence, Mr. John Thomson, Mr. Willis, and Mr. Wilson.

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