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THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH.

No. 110.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

FRIDAY, 3RD APRIL, 1908.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair, and read Prayers.
2. PAPER.—Mr. Hume Cook presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament—
Judiciary Act and High Court Procedure Act—Rules of Court—Practitioners Admission Rules—Statutory Rules 1908, No. 35.
3. MESSAGES FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL.—ADDITIONAL ESTIMATES AND ADDITIONAL ESTIMATES FOR WORKS AND BUILDINGS, 1907-8.—The following Messages from His Excellency the Governor-General were presented, and the same were read by Mr. Speaker :—

NORTHCOTE,
Governor-General.

Message No. 27.

In accordance with the requirements of section 56 of The Constitution of the Commonwealth of Australia, the Governor-General transmits to the House of Representatives Additional Estimates of Expenditure for the Year ending the thirtieth day of June, One thousand nine hundred and eight, and recommends an appropriation of the Consolidated Revenue Fund accordingly.

3rd April, 1908.

NORTHCOTE,
Governor-General.

Message No. 28.

In accordance with the requirements of section 56 of The Constitution of the Commonwealth of Australia, the Governor-General transmits to the House of Representatives Additional Estimates of Expenditure for Additions, New Works, Buildings, &c., for the Year ending the thirtieth day of June, One thousand nine hundred and eight, and recommends an appropriation of the Consolidated Revenue Fund accordingly.

3rd April, 1908.

Severally ordered to lie on the Table, and, together with the accompanying Estimates, to be printed and referred to the Committee of Supply.

4. QUEENSLAND COMMONWEALTH OFFICERS.—Mr. Archer moved, pursuant to notice, That a Return be laid upon the Table showing—
 - (1) The names of all Commonwealth officers who have been promoted in Queensland during the past two years, giving their past and present salaries.
 - (2) The names of all officers who have been transferred during that time, and the places to which they have been transferred ; also what salaries they were and are now receiving, and their length of service in the State and Commonwealth service.
 - (3) How many officers there are in Queensland who have been and are still in receipt of £160 to £180 per annum, and who have been receiving these sums for ten years or over, and the names of such officers.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

5. PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS BILL.—Mr. Deakin moved, pursuant to notice given by Mr. Groom, That he have leave to bring in a Bill for an Act relating to the Publication of Parliamentary Papers.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

Mr. Deakin then brought up a Bill intituled “ *A Bill for an Act relating to the Publication of Parliamentary Papers,* ” 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.

3rd April, 1908.

6. SUPPLY.—The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.

Mr. Deputy-Speaker took the Chair; Mr. Wilks 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.

7. MESSAGES FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL.—ADDITIONAL ESTIMATES AND ADDITIONAL ESTIMATES FOR WORKS AND BUILDINGS, 1905-6 AND 1906-7.—The following Messages from His Excellency the Governor-General were presented, and the same were read by Mr. Deputy-Speaker :—

NORTHCOTE,

*Governor-General.**Message No. 29.*

In accordance with the requirements of section 56 of The Constitution of the Commonwealth of Australia, the Governor-General transmits to the House of Representatives Additional Estimates of Expenditure for the Year ended the thirtieth day of June, One thousand nine hundred and six, and recommends an appropriation of the Consolidated Revenue Fund accordingly.

Melbourne, 2nd April, 1908.

NORTHCOTE,

*Governor-General.**Message No. 30.*

In accordance with the requirements of section 56 of The Constitution of the Commonwealth of Australia, the Governor-General transmits to the House of Representatives Additional Estimates of Expenditure for Additions, New Works, and Buildings for the Year ended the thirtieth day of June, One thousand nine hundred and six, and recommends an appropriation of the Consolidated Revenue Fund accordingly.

Melbourne, 2nd April, 1908.

NORTHCOTE,

*Governor-General.**Message No. 31.*

In accordance with the requirements of section 56 of The Constitution of the Commonwealth of Australia, the Governor-General transmits to the House of Representatives Additional Estimates of Expenditure for the Year ended the thirtieth day of June, One thousand nine hundred and seven, and recommends an appropriation of the Consolidated Revenue Fund accordingly.

Melbourne, 2nd April, 1908.

NORTHCOTE,

*Governor-General.**Message No. 32.*

In accordance with the requirements of section 56 of The Constitution of the Commonwealth of Australia, the Governor-General transmits to the House of Representatives Additional Estimates of Expenditure for Additions, New Works, and Buildings for the Year ended the thirtieth day of June, One thousand nine hundred and seven, and recommends an appropriation of the Consolidated Revenue Fund accordingly.

Melbourne, 2nd April, 1908.

Severally ordered to lie on the Table, and, together with the accompanying Estimates, to be printed and referred to the Committee of Supply.

8. ADJOURNMENT.—Mr. Deakin moved, That the House do now adjourn.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

And then the House, at twelve minutes to six 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. Bamford, Mr. Batchelor, Mr. Bowden, Mr. Tilley Brown, Mr. Carr, Mr. Edwards, Mr. Fowler, Mr. Glynn, Mr. Groom, Mr. Hall, Mr. Hughes, Mr. Hutchison, Mr. Hans Irvine, Mr. Kingston, Mr. Liddell, Mr. Livingston, Mr. Poynton, Sir John Quick, Mr. Reid, Mr. Sinclair, Mr. Bruce Smith, Mr. Spence, Mr. Thomas, Mr. John Thomson, Mr. Watson, and Mr. Wilson.

C. GAVAN DUFFY,

Clerk of the House of Representatives.