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## THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH.

No. 139.

## VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

## HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

TUESDAY, 2ND JUNE, 1908.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair, and read Prayers.
2. POSTPONEMENT OF NOTICE OF MOTION.—Ordered, That Notice of Motion No. 1 (in regard to the Report of the Joint Select Committee on Parliamentary Privilege and Procedure) be postponed until Thursday next.
3. INVALID AND OLD-AGE PENSIONS BILL.—Mr. Deakin moved, pursuant to notice, That he have leave to bring in a Bill for an Act to provide for the Payment of Invalid and Old-age Pensions and for other purposes.  
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
4. CUSTOMS TARIFF AMENDMENT BILL.—Sir William Lyne moved, pursuant to notice, That he have leave to bring in a Bill for an Act to amend the *Customs Tariff* 1908.  
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.  
Sir William Lyne then brought up a Bill intituled "*A Bill for an Act to amend the 'Customs Tariff 1908,'*" 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 to-morrow.
5. EXCISE TARIFF (STARCH) BILL.—Sir William Lyne moved, pursuant to notice, That he have leave to bring in a Bill for an Act to amend the *Excise Tariff* 1908.  
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.  
Sir William Lyne then brought up a Bill intituled "*A Bill for an Act to amend the 'Excise Tariff 1908,'*" 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 to-morrow.
6. NORFOLK ISLAND BILL.—Mr. Deakin moved, pursuant to notice, That he have leave to bring in a Bill for an Act to provide for the acceptance of Norfolk Island as a Territory under the authority of the Commonwealth, and for the Government thereof.  
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
7. PUBLIC SERVICE BILL (1908).—Mr. Groom moved, pursuant to notice, That he have leave to bring in a Bill for an Act relating to the Public Service Commissioner and Inspectors.  
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.  
Mr. Groom then brought up a Bill intituled "*A Bill for an Act relating to the Public Service Commissioner and Inspectors,'*" 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 to-morrow.

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8. **SURPLUS REVENUE BILL.**—The Order of the Day having been read for the resumption of the debate on the question, That the Bill be now read a second time—and on the following amendment proposed thereto by Mr. Joseph Cook:—That all the words after the word "That" be omitted from the motion with a view to the insertion of the following words in place thereof—"the consideration of this Bill be postponed until the financial relations of the Commonwealth and the States can be dealt with as a whole"—

Debate resumed.

And the House continuing to sit till after midnight—

WEDNESDAY, 3RD JUNE, 1908.

Question—That the words proposed to be omitted stand part of the question—put.  
The House divided—

Ayes, 30.

Mr. Bamford	Mr. Mathews
Mr. Carr	Mr. Mauger
Mr. Catts	Mr. McDonald
Mr. Chapman	Mr. McDougall
Mr. Hume Cook	Mr. Poynton
Mr. Coon	Mr. Salmon
Mr. Crouch	Mr. Spence
Mr. Deakin	Mr. Thomas
Mr. Ewing	Mr. Tudor
Mr. Fisher	Mr. Watson
Mr. Foster	Mr. Wilks
Mr. Groom	Mr. Wise
Mr. Hall	
Mr. Hutchison	<i>Tellers.</i>
Sir William Lyne	Mr. Storrer
Mr. Maloney	Mr. John Thomson

Noes, 16.

Mr. Atkinson	Sir John Quick
Mr. Bowden	Mr. Reid
Mr. Joseph Cook	Mr. Sinclair
Sir John Forrest	Mr. Bruce Smith
Sir Philip Fysh	Mr. Wilson
Mr. Liddell	
Mr. Livingston	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. McWilliams	Mr. Johnson
Mr. Palmer	Mr. Kelly

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Question—That the Bill be now read a second time—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a second time.

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 an amendment.

Mr. Deakin moved, by leave, That the Report be now adopted.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

Mr. Deakin moved, by leave, That the Bill be now read a third time.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a third time.

9. **INVALID AND OLD-AGE PENSIONS BILL.**—Mr. Deakin, pursuant to leave given earlier at this sitting, brought up a Bill intituled "*A Bill for an Act to provide for the Payment of Invalid and Old-age Pensions and for other purposes*," 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 this day.

10. **NORFOLK ISLAND BILL.**—Mr. Deakin, pursuant to leave given earlier at this sitting, brought up a Bill intituled "*A Bill for an Act to provide for the acceptance of Norfolk Island as a Territory under the authority of the Commonwealth, and for the Government thereof*," 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 this day.

11. **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 one o'clock in the morning, adjourned until this day at half-past two o'clock p.m.

**MEMBERS PRESENT.**—All Members were present (at some time during the sitting) except—Mr. Archer, Mr. Edwards, Mr. Fowler, Mr. Fuller, Mr. Page, and Mr. Watkins.

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