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THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH.

No. 16.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

TUESDAY, 13TH OCTOBER, 1908.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair, and read Prayers.
2. DEFENCE BILL (1908).—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 amendment moved thereto by Mr. W. H. Irvine, viz.:—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:—"in the opinion of this House, the defence of Australia depending primarily upon control of the sea, it would be unwise to commit the country to any scheme of compulsory universal military service until Parliament is in a position to determine the naval policy of the Commonwealth"—
Debate resumed.
Sir John Forrest moved, That the debate be now adjourned.
Question—That the debate be now adjourned—put and resolved in the affirmative.
Ordered—That the resumption of the debate be made an Order of the Day for to-morrow.
3. ADJOURNMENT.—Sir William Lyne moved, That the House do now adjourn.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

And then the House at twenty-three minutes to 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. Atkinson, Mr. Tilley Brown, Mr. Catts, Mr. Chapman, Mr. Foster, Mr. Glynn, Mr. W. H. Irvine, Mr. McWilliams, Mr. Page, Mr. Poynton, Sir John Quick, Mr. Reid, Mr. Sampson, Mr. Bruce Smith, Mr. Dugald Thomson, Mr. Watkins, Mr. Watson, Mr. Willis, and Mr. Wilson.

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