THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH.

No. 30.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

FRIDAY, 6TH NOVEMBER, 1908.

- 1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair, and read Prayers.
- 2. Petition.—Mr. Ewing presented a Petition from S. Mathews, styling himself Recording Brother of the Arranging Brethren of the Melbourne Christadelphian Ecclesia, in reference to the Defence Bill, praying that the community of religious people known as Christadelphians may, on the ground of conscientious objection to military service, be granted a legal exemption from compulsory military training and service.

 Petition received.
- 3. Manufactures Encouragement Bill.—The Order of the Day having been read for the consideration of the Report from the Committee of the whole House on this Bill—Sir William Lyne moved, That the Bill be now recommitted to a Committee of the whole House for

Sir William Lyne moved, That the Bill be now recommitted to a Committee of the whole House for the reconsideration of clauses 2, 5, 6, 14, and the Schedule, and the consideration of new clause 10A. Debate ensued.

And clause 9 having been added to the clauses proposed to be recommitted-

Question, as so amended—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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 portions of the Bill referred to it, and had agreed to the same with further amendments.

On the motion of Sir William Lyne, by leave, the House ordered that the remaining stages of the Bill be taken forthwith.

Sir William Lyne moved, That the Reports be now adopted.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

Sir William Lyne moved, That the Bill be now read a third time.

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

4. Message from the Senate—Appropriation (Works and Buildings) Bill 1908-9.—Mr. Speaker announced the receipt of the following Message from the Senate:—

Mr. Speaker,

Message No. 4.

The Senate returns to the House of Representatives the Bill for "An Act to grant and apply a sum out of the Consolidated Revenue to the service of the year ending the thirtieth day of June One thousand nine hundred and nine for the purposes of Additions, New Works, Buildings, &c.," to which it has agreed without amendment.

The Senate, Melbourne, 6th November, 1908 A. J. GOULD, President.

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- 5. STATEMENT BY LEADER OF LABOUR PARTY.—Mr. Fisher, having obtained leave, made a statement to the House to the effect that the Labour Party were no longer able to support the present Ministry. Mr. Deakin, by leave, having replied—
- 6. ADJOURNMENT.—Mr. Deakin moved, That the House do now adjourn.

 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
- And then the House, at twenty-one minutes to 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. Bamford, Mr. Tilley Brown, Mr. Chapman*, Mr. Joseph Cook, Mr. Edwards, Mr. Fuller, Mr. Harper, Mr. Livingston, Mr. McDougall, Mr. Poynton, Sir John Quick, Mr. Sampson, Mr. Dugald Thomson, Mr. Webster, and Mr. Willis.

* On leave.

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