THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH.

No. 3.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

FRIDAY, 28TH MAY, 1909.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.-Mr. Speaker took the Chair, and read Prayers.

2. MINISTERIAL STATEMENT.—Mr. Fisher made a Ministerial Statement in reference to the present political position arising from the Division taken in the House at the previous sitting.

3. PAPER.-Mr. Fisher presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor-General-

Defence—Correspondence regarding a Conference between Representatives of His Majesty's Government and the Governments of the self-governing Dominions on the subject of Naval and Military Defence.

Ordered to lie on the Table, and to be printed.

4. ADJOURNMENT.—Mr. Fisher moved, That the House do now adjourn. Debate ensued. Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

And then the House, at half-past 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. Chapman, Sir Philip Fysh, Mr. Knox, Mr. Dugald Thomson, and Mr. Watson.

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