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# THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH.

## No. 27.

### VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

### HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

FRIDAY, 30TH JULY, 1909.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair, and read Prayers.
2. PAPER.—Mr. Groom presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor-General—  
Stripper Harvesters and Drills—Report from the Royal Commission on, together with Proceedings, Minutes of Evidence, and Appendices.  
Ordered to lie on the Table and to be printed.
3. ADJOURNMENT—MOTION FOR PURPOSE OF DISCUSSION.—Mr. O'Malley rose in his place, and said that he proposed to move the adjournment of the House for the purpose of discussing a definite matter of urgent public importance, namely, "The attempt of the Banking Corporations to destroy the Commonwealth revenue by charging exchange on Postal Notes and Post Office Orders."  
Mr. Speaker thereupon called upon those Members who approved of the proposed discussion to rise in their places, and more than the necessary number of Members having risen accordingly—  
Mr. O'Malley moved, That the House do now adjourn.  
Debate ensued.  
It being two hours after the time fixed for the meeting of the House, the debate was interrupted in accordance with Standing Order No. 119, and the Orders of the Day were called on.
4. NORTHERN TERRITORY ACCEPTANCE BILL.—The Order of the Day having been read for the second reading of this Bill—Mr. Groom moved, That the Bill be now read a second time.  
Mr. McDonald 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 Tuesday next.
5. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDER OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Order of the Day No. 2 be postponed until after the consideration of Orders of the Day Nos. 3 and 4.
6. AUDIT BILL (1909).—The Order of the Day having been read for the consideration in Committee of the whole House of His Excellency the Governor-General's Message No. 3—  
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 agreed to a certain resolution.  
Ordered—That the Report be considered at once.  
And thereupon the said resolution was read, and is as follows:—  
*Resolved*—That it is expedient that an appropriation of revenue be made for the purposes of a Bill for an Act to amend the Audit Acts 1901-1906.  
And the said resolution was adopted by the House.

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7. **AUDIT BILL (1909).**—The Order of the Day having been read for the second reading of this Bill—Sir John Forrest moved, That the Bill be now read a second time.  
Debate ensued.  
Question—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 without amendment.  
On the motion of Sir John Forrest the House adopted the Report.  
Sir John Forrest moved, by leave, That the Bill be now read a third time.  
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a third time.
8. **POSTPONEMENT OF BUSINESS.**—Ordered—That the consideration of the remaining business be postponed until after the consideration of Notice of Motion No. 2.
9. **CONCILIATION AND ARBITRATION BILL (1909).**—Mr. Glynn moved, pursuant to notice, That he have leave to bring in a Bill for an Act to amend the *Commonwealth Conciliation and Arbitration Act 1904*.  
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.  
Mr. Glynn then brought up a Bill intituled “*A Bill for an Act to amend the ‘Commonwealth Conciliation and Arbitration Act 1904,’*” 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.
10. **MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.—OLD-AGE PENSIONS APPROPRIATION BILL (1909).**—Mr. Speaker announced the receipt of the following Message from the Senate:—

MR. SPEAKER,

Message No. 5.

The Senate returns to the House of Representatives the Bill for “*An Act to grant and apply out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund the sum of One million pounds for Invalid and Old-age Pensions,*” to which it has agreed without amendment.

A. J. GOULD,  
President.

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11. **ADJOURNMENT.**—Mr. Deakin moved, That the House do now adjourn.  
Debate ensued.  
Question—put.  
The House divided—

Ayes, 13.

Noes, 6.

Mr. Atkinson	Mr. Storrer
Mr. Coon	Mr. John Thomson
Mr. Deakin	Mr. Wilks
Sir John Forrest	
Mr. Groom	
Mr. Liddell	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Mauger	Mr. Hume Cook
Mr. Sinclair	Mr. Crouch

Mr. Frazer	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. McDougall	
Mr. Page	Mr. Mahon
Mr. Watkins	Mr. Webster

And it appearing on the report by the Tellers that a quorum of Members of the House was not present, the Speaker, thereupon, at seventeen minutes to five o'clock p.m. adjourned the House until Tuesday next at three o'clock p.m.

**MEMBERS PRESENT.**—All Members were present (at some time during the sitting) except—Mr. Bowden, Mr. Tilley Brown, Mr. Chapman\*, Sir Thomas Ewing, Colonel Foxton\*, Mr. Knox, Mr. Livingston, Mr. McWilliams, Sir John Quick, Mr. Spence, and Mr. Watson\*.

\* On leave.

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