THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH

No. 61.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

THURSDAY, 7TH OCTOBER, 1909.

- 1: The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair, and read Prayers.
- 2. Leave of Absence to Members (Mr. Watson and Colonel Foxton).—Mr. Fisher moved, pursuant to notice, That leave of absence for one month be given to the honorable Member for South Sydney (Mr. Watson) on account of urgent private business.

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Question—That leave of absence for one month be given to the honorable Member for South Sydney (Mr. Watson) on account of urgent private business, and to the honorable Member for Brisbane (Colonel Foxton) on account of public business—put and resolved in the affirmative.

3. Supply ["Grievance Day" and Supply Bill].—Pursuant to the provisions of Standing Order No. 241, the Order of the Day having been read for going into the Committee of Supply—Question proposed—That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair. Debate ensued.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

- Whereupon Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into the Committee of Supply. Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. McDonald reported that the Committee had agreed to a certain resolution.
- Mr. McDonald also acquainted the House that he was directed to ask, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved—That the House will, to-morrow, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

- 4. Suspension of Standing Orders.—Sir John Forrest moved, pursuant to notice, That the Standing Orders be suspended in order to enable all steps to be taken to obtain Supply, and to pass a Supply Bill through all its stages without delay.

 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
- 5. Supply Resolution.—The resolution reported from the Committee of Supply was read, and is as follows:—

Resolved—That a sum not exceeding Three hundred and sixty thousand four hundred and seventy-two pounds be granted to His Majesty for or towards defraying the services of the year ending 30th June, 1910.

And the said resolution was adopted by the House.

- 6. Ways and Means.—The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Ways and Means.
 - Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. McDonald reported that the Committee had agreed to a certain resolution.
 - Mr. McDonald also acquainted the House that he was directed to ask, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved—That the House will, to-morrow, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

7. Ways and Means Resolution.—The resolution reported from the Committee of Ways and Means was read, and is as follows:—

Resolved—That towards making good the supply granted to His Majesty for the services of the year ending 30th June, 1910, a sum not exceeding Three hundred and sixty thousand four hundred and seventy-two pounds be granted out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund.

And the said resolution was adopted by the House.

Ordered—That Sir John Forrest and Mr. Glynn do prepare and bring in a Bill to carry out the foregoing resolution.

8. Supply Bill (No. 3) 1909-10.—Sir John Forrest then brought up a Bill intituled "A Bill for an Act to grant and apply out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund a sum for the service of the year ending the thirtieth day of June One thousand nine hundred and ten," and moved, That it be now read a first time

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

Sir John Forrest moved, That the Bill be now read a second time.

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, That the Bill be now read a third time.

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

9. Adjournment.—Sir John Forrest moved, That the House do now adjourn. Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

And then the House, at twenty-five minutes past ten o'clock p.m., adjourned until to-morrow at half-past ten o'clock a.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT.—All Members were present (at some time during the sitting) except—Mr. Chapman*, Mr. Hume Cook, Mr. Edwards, Mr. Fowler, Colonel Foxton*, Mr. Reid, Mr. Storrer, Mr. Thomas, Mr. Watson*, and Mr. Willis.

• On leave

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