THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH.

No. 91.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

TUESDAY, 30TH NOVEMBER, 1909.

- 1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair, and read Prayers.
- 2. PAPER.—Mr. Fuller presented, pursuant to statute.
 - Public Service Act—Recommendation in connexion with the promotion of W. A. Maguire, clerk, Public Service Commissioner's Office.
- 3. NAVAL LOAN BILL.—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. 24—
 - 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 revenues and moneys be made for the purposes of a Bill for an Act to authorize the raising and expending of the sum of Three million five hundred thousand pounds for the purposes of Naval Defence.
 - And the said resolution was adopted by the House.
 - Ordered—That Sir John Forrest and Mr. Joseph Cook do prepare and bring in a Bill to carry out the foregoing resolution.
 - Sir John Forrest then brought up a Bill intituled "A Bill for an Act to authorize the raising and expending of the sum of Three million five hundred thousand pounds for the purposes of Naval Defence," 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 to-morrow.
- 4. Officers Compensation 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. 23—
 - 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 money be made for the purposes of a Bill for an Act to provide for Compensation to be paid on Retirement or on Decease of certain Officers of the Commonwealth.
 - 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.
 - Sir John Forrest then brought up a Bill intituled "A Bill for an Act to provide for Compensation to be paid on Retirement or on Decease of certain Officers of the Commonwealth," 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 to-morrow.

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5. Public Service [Commissioner's Salary, Etc.] Bill.—The Order of the Day having been read for the second reading of this Bill—Mr. Fuller 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 with an amendment.

Mr. Deakin moved, pursuant to contingent notice, That the Standing Orders be suspended to enable the remaining stages to be passed without delay.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

On the motion of Mr. Fuller the House adopted the Report.

Mr. Fuller moved, That the Bill be now read a third time.

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

6. Adjournment.—Mr. Deakin moved, That the House do now adjourn.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

And then the House, at two minutes to eleven o'clock p.m., adjourned until to-morrow at eleven o'clock a.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT.—All Members were present (at some time during the sitting) except—Mr. Archer, Mr. Batchelor, Mr. Carr, Mr. Catts, Mr. Chapman, Sir Thomas Ewing, Mr. R. W. Foster, Mr. Hughes, Mr. Hutchison, Mr. Livingston, Sir William Lyne, Mr. McWilliams, Mr. Page, Sir George Reid, Mr. Sampson, Mr. Bruce Smith, Mr. Dugald Thomson, Mr. Watkins, Mr. Watson, and Mr. Wilson.

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