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## THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH.

No. 35.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS  
OF THE  
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

TUESDAY, 20TH AUGUST, 1912.

1. The House met, at three o'clock p.m., pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair, and read Prayers.
2. PAPERS.—Mr. Tudor presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor-General—  
Sugar Industry of Australia—Report by Dr. Maxwell upon the Conditions of (dated 6th January, 1910).  
Ordered to lie on the Table.  
Mr. Roberts presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor-General—  
Defence—Appointments of Officers to the Permanent Naval and Military Forces for the period of two years ended 30th June, 1912—Return showing names, positions, and salaries.  
Ordered to lie on the Table, and to be printed.  
Mr. Tudor presented, pursuant to Statute—  
Public Service Act—Department of Trade and Customs—Promotion of G. E. Hudson as Chief Surveyor, 2nd Class, Central Staff.  
Mr. O'Malley presented, pursuant to Statute—  
Lands Acquisition Act—Land acquired under, at Port Augusta—For Commonwealth purposes.  
Mr. Thomas, for Mr. Frazer, presented, pursuant to Statute—  
Public Service Act—Postmaster-General's Department, Accounts Branch, New South Wales—Promotions of—  
A. P. Westhoven, as Clerk, 2nd Class.  
G. G. Haldane, as Accountant, 1st Class.  
H. J. Sheehan, as Clerk (Ledger-keeper), 3rd Class.  
Mr. Roberts presented, pursuant to Statute—  
Defence Act—Military Forces—  
Regulations Amended (Provisional)—Statutory Rules 1912, No. 165.  
Financial and Allowance Regulations Amended (Provisional)—Statutory Rules 1912, No. 164.
3. DEFENCE BILL (1912.)—SENATE'S MESSAGE No. 17.—The Order of the Day having been read for the resumption of the debate on the following motion of Mr. Roberts:—That the House agree with the Senate's Amendment on Amendment No. 5 of this House (*see pp. 99-100 ante*).  
Debate resumed.  
Mr. Kelly moved an amendment, That all the words after the word "That" be omitted, with a view to the insertion of the following words in place thereof "the Amendment of the Senate be taken into consideration in Committee of the Whole".  
Debate continued.  
Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.  
Question—That the House agree with the Senate's Amendment on Amendment No. 5 of this House—put and passed.

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4. SUPPLY [BUDGET DEBATE].—The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.

(In the Committee.)

Consideration resumed of the motion of Mr. Fisher (*see* p. 76 *ante*), That the first item in the Estimates, under Division I.—The Parliament—namely—

The President ... .. £1,100

be agreed to.

Mr. Deakin addressing the Committee, and not having concluded his speech at the termination of the time allowed by Standing Order No. 257A, he was given leave to continue his speech.

General debate continued.

Progress to be reported, and leave asked to sit again.

The House resumed ; Mr. Poynton reported accordingly.

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

5. ADJOURNMENT.—Mr. Thomas moved, That the House do now adjourn.  
Question—put and passed.

And then the House, at forty-one minutes past ten o'clock p.m., adjourned until to-morrow at half-past two o'clock p.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT.—All Members were present (at some time during the sitting) except—Mr. Carr, Mr. Charlton, Mr. R. Edwards, Mr. Finlayson, Mr. R. W. Foster, Mr. Frazer, Mr. Harper, Mr. Howe, Mr. Hans Irvine\*, Sir William Lyne\*, Mr. Mahon, Mr. Ryrie, Mr. Sinclair, and Mr. Spence.

\* On leave.

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