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VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

FRIDAY, 23RD AUGUST, 1912.

- 1. The House met, at half-past ten o'clock, a.m., pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair, and read Prayers.
- 2. Message from the Senate. -- Appropriation (Works and Buildings) Bill 1912-13.—Mr. Speaker announced the receipt of the following Message from the Senate:—

Mr. SPEAKER.

Message No. 18.

The Senate returns to the House of Representatives the Bill for "An Act to grant and apply a sum out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund for the service of the year ending the thirtieth day of June One thousand nine hundred and thirteen for the purposes of Additions, New Works, Buildings, &c.," to which it has agreed without amendment.

H. TURLEY,

The Senate,

Melbourne, 22nd August, 1912.

President.

3. 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.

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, on Tuesday next, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

4. Message from the Governor-General.—Assent to Royal Commissions Bill (1912).—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor-General was presented, and the same was read by Mr. Speaker:—

DENMAN,

Governor-General.

Message No. 9.

A Bill intituled "An Act to amend the Royal Commissions Act 1902," as finally passed by the Senate and the House of Representatives of the Commonwealth, having been presented to the Governor-General for the Royal Assent, His Excellency has, in the name and on behalf of His Majesty, assented to the said Act.

Brisbane, 19th August, 1912.

- 5. PAPER.—Mr. O'Malley presented, pursuant to Statute—
 - Public Service Act—Department of Home Affairs—Appointment of R. B. Ward to new position of Computer in Class E, Statistical Branch.
- 6. ADJOURNMENT.—Mr. Thomas moved, That the House do now adjourn. Question—put and passed.
- And then the House, at nine minutes to four 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. Charlton, Mr. Deakin, Mr. R. Edwards, Mr. Frazer, Mr. Glynn, Mr. Gordon, Mr. Greene, Mr. Howe, Mr. Hans Irvine*, Mr. Livingston, Sir William Lyne*, Mr. Mahon, Mr. Sinclair, and Mr. West.

 * On leave.

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