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THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH.

No. 62.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

TUESDAY, 8TH OCTOBER, 1912.

1. The House met, at three o'clock p.m., pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair, and read Prayers.
2. PRIVILEGE.—The honorable Member for Capricornia (Mr. Higgs) read a notice of a motion which he proposed to move with reference to the Opposition.
Mr. Speaker ruled that the notice was not in order.
Mr. Higgs then gave notice of the following motion:—"That the action of Mr. Speaker in endeavouring to prevent a Member of this House from reading a notice of motion, and in refusing to accept said notice of motion on the ground that the motion was frivolous, is a breach of the powers, privileges, and immunities of Members of the House of Representatives."
Ordered—That the motion be considered forthwith.
And the motion being duly moved and seconded,
Debate ensued—
3. MEMBER "NAMED."—Mr. Speaker named the honorable Member for Maranoa (Mr. Page) for disregarding the authority of the Chair.
Mr. Fisher moved, That the honorable Member for Maranoa be suspended from the service of the House for the remainder of the sitting.
But the honorable Member having apologized, the matter was not further proceeded with.
4. PRIVILEGE.—The debate upon the motion of Mr. Higgs was continued.
Question—That the motion be agreed to—put.
The House divided—

Ayes, 12.

Mr. Anstey	Mr. W. J. Johnson
Mr. Brennan	Mr. W. Maloney
Mr. Chanter	Mr. Mathews
Mr. Charlton	
Mr. Finlayson	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Higgs	Mr. Fenton
Mr. Jensen	Mr. Riley

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Mr. Archibald	Mr. O'Malley
Mr. Bamford	Mr. Palmer
Mr. Bennett	Mr. Poynton
Sir Robert Best	Mr. Roberts
Mr. Cann	Mr. Salmon
Mr. Chapman	Mr. Sampson
Mr. Fairbairn	Mr. Scullin
Mr. Fisher	Mr. Bruce Smith
Sir John Forrest	Mr. Laird Smith
Mr. R. W. Foster	Mr. Thomas
Mr. Fuller	Mr. Thomson
Mr. Gordon	Mr. Tudor
Mr. Greene	Mr. Watkins
Mr. Groom	Mr. Wynne
Mr. Harper	
Mr. Hedges	
Mr. W. H. Irvine	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Kelly	Mr. W. Elliot Johnson
Mr. Livingston	Mr. McWilliams

And so it was negatived.

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5. PAPERS.—Mr. Fisher presented, pursuant to Statute—
 Public Service Act—List of Permanent Officers of the Commonwealth Public Service, as on 30th June, 1912.
- Mr. O'Malley presented, pursuant to Statute—
 Public Service Act—Department of Home Affairs—Appointment of H. W. Barker to new office of Draughtsman, Class E, Professional Division, Public Works Branch, Central Staff.
- Mr. Roberts presented, pursuant to Statute—
 Defence Act—Regulations Amended (Provisional)—
 Military College—New Regulation—Statutory Rules 1912, No. 191.
 Military Forces—Financial and Allowance Regulations—
 Statutory Rules 1912, No. 190.
 Statutory Rules 1912, No. 192.
6. SUPPLY [SUPPLY BILL].—The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.

(In the Committee.)

Mr. Fisher moved, That a sum not exceeding Two million two hundred and fifty-two thousand six hundred and sixty-one pounds be granted to His Majesty for or towards defraying the services of the year ending 30th June, 1913.

Debate ensued.

And the Committee continuing to sit till after midnight—

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Debate continued.

Motion agreed to.

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

The House resumed; Mr. Poynton reported accordingly.

Resolved—That the House will, at its next sitting, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

Ordered—That the consideration of the Committee's Report be made an Order of the Day for the next sitting.

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

And then the House, at sixteen minutes past one o'clock in the morning adjourned until this day at half-past ten o'clock a.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT.—All Members were present (at some time during the sitting) except—Mr. Atkinson, Mr. Brown, Mr. Carr, Mr. Catts, Mr. Cook, Mr. Deakin, Mr. R. Edwards, Mr. Frank J. Foster, Mr. Frazer, Mr. Glynn, Mr. Howe, Mr. Hughes, Mr. Hans Irvine, Sir William Lyne, Mr. McDougall, Sir John Quick, Mr. Ryrie, Mr. Spence, Mr. Webster, and Mr. West.

WALTER A. GALE,

Clerk Assistant,

for Clerk of the House of Representatives.