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THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH.

No. 83.

PROCEEDINGS VOTES AND

OF THE

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

TUESDAY, 19TH NOVEMBER, 1912.

- 1. The House met, at three o'clock p.m., pursuant to adjournment.-Mr. Speaker took the Chair, and read Prayers.
- 2. THE LATE MR. JUSTICE R. E. O'CONNOR. Mr. Fisher having referred in terms of deep regret to the death of Mr. Justice R. E. O'Connor, and Mr. Deakin and Mr. Hughes having spoken in similar terms-

Mr. Fisher moved, That this House places upon record its appreciation of the great public services of the late Justice of the High Court of Australia, the Honorable R. E. O'Connor, and tenders its sincere sympathy to the bereaved wife and family of an eminent citizen whose decease is a great loss to the Commonwealth.

Mr. Deakin seconded the motion, and all Members present having risen in silence-Question-put and passed.

3. PAPER.—Mr. Frazer presented, pursuant to Statute-

- Public Service Act-Postmaster-General's Department-Promotions of T. G. Leece and C. C. McGarry as Inspectors, 3rd Class, Inspection Branch, New South Wales.
- 4. CONSTITUTION ALTERATION (TRADE AND COMMERCE) BILL.-The Order of the Day having been read for the second reading-Mr. Hughes moved, That the Bill be now read a second time. Debate ensued.

Mr. Fisher moved, That the debate be now adjourned.

Question—That the debate be now adjourned—put and passed. Ordered—That the resumption of the debate be made an Order of the Day for to-morrow.

5. CONSTITUTION ALTERATION (CORPORATIONS) BILL.—The Order of the Day having been read for the second reading-Mr. Hughes moved, That the Bill be now read a second time. Mr. Glynn moved, That the debate be now adjourned.

Question-That the debate be now adjourned-put.

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Ayes, 21.		0	• Noes, 32.		
Mr. Atkinson	Mr. Palmer	Mr. Bam	ford	Mr.	Ozanne
Sir Robert Best	Sir John Quick	Mr. Benr	nett	Mr.	Page
Mr. Cook	Mr. Ryrie	Mr. Bren	inan		Poynton
Mr. Fairbairn	Mr. Sampson	Mr. Brov	vn	Mr.	Riley
Mr. Fuller	Mr. Sinclair	Mr. Chai	nter	Mr.	Roberts
Mr. Glynn	Mr. Bruce Smith	Mr. Chai	rlton	Mr.	Scullin
Mr. Gordon	Mr. Thomson	Mr. Fent	ton	Mr.	Laird Smith
Mr. Greene		Mr. Fish	ler	Mr.	Spence
Mr. Groom		Mr. Higg	gs	Mr.	Thomas
Mr. Harper	Tellers.	Mr. How	ve	Mr.	Tudor
Mr. W. H. Irvine	Mr. W. Elliot Johnson	Mr. Hug	hes	Mr.	Webster
Mr. McWilliams	Mr. Wynne	Mr. W.	J. Johnson	Mr.	West
		Mr. Mah		Mr.	Wise
		Mr. W.	Maloney		
			Mr. Mathews		Tellers.
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	Ì	Mr. O'M			Watkins

And so it was negatived.

The House divided-

Debate on main question ensued.

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Mr. Fisher moved, That the debate be now adjourned. Question-That the debate be now adjourned-put and passed.

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- ADJOURNMENT.—Mr. Fisher moved, That the House do now adjourn. Debate ensued. Question—put and passed.
- And then the House, at twenty-four minutes to eleven o'clock p.m., adjourned until to-morrow at halfpast ten o'clock a.m.
- MEMBERS PRESENT.—All Members were present (at some time during the sitting) except—Mr. Carr, Mr. Chapman, Mr. R. Edwards, Mr. R. W. Foster, Mr. Hans Irvine, Mr. Jensen, Mr. Livingston, and Sir William Lyne.

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