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THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH.

No. 103.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

TUESDAY, 17TH DECEMBER, 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. PAPER.—Mr. Thomas presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor-General—
Entomology—Report by F. V. Theobald on the Second International Congress, held at Oxford, August, 1912.
Ordered to lie on the Table, and to be printed.
3. REFERENDUM (CONSTITUTION ALTERATION) BILL (1912) (No. 2).—The Order of the Day having been read for the third reading—Mr. O'Malley moved, That the Bill be now read a third time.
Question—put and passed.—Bill read a third time.
4. LAND TAX ASSESSMENT BILL (1912).—The Order of the Day having been read for the second reading—Mr. Fisher moved, That the Bill be now read a second time.
Debate ensued.
Mr. Glynn 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 a later hour this day.
5. SUPPLY [ESTIMATES, 1912-13].—The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.

(In the Committee.)

ESTIMATES, 1912-13.

Division No. 38 debated and agreed to.
Divisions Nos. 38A to 45 agreed to.
Division No. 46 debated and agreed to.
Division No. 47 agreed to.
Division No. 48 debated and agreed to.
Division No. 49 debated and agreed to.
Divisions Nos. 50 to 53 agreed to.
Division No. 54 debated and agreed to.
Divisions Nos. 55 to 62 agreed to.
Division No. 97 debated and agreed to.
Division No. 98 debated and agreed to.
Divisions Nos. 99 to 105 agreed to.
Division No. 106—
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.

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6. PAPERS.—Mr. Hughes presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor-General—
Inter-State Commission Bill 1912—Summary of English and American Legislation.
Mr. Roberts presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor-General—
Defence—Memorandum by the Minister of State for Defence on the Estimates in Chief of the
Defence Department for the Financial Year 1912-13.
Severally ordered to lie on the Table, and to be printed.
Mr. Fisher presented, pursuant to Statute—
Maternity Allowance Act—Provisional Regulation—Statutory Rules 1912, No. 225.
Mr. Roberts presented, pursuant to Statute—
Defence Act—
Military College—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1912, No. 231.
Universal Training—Regulations Amended (Provisional)—
Statutory Rules 1912, No. 228.
Statutory Rules 1912, No. 230.
7. MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.—COMMONWEALTH WORKMEN'S COMPENSATION BILL.—Mr. Speaker
announced the receipt of the following Message from the Senate:—
MR. SPEAKER, *Message No. 36.*
The Senate returns to the House of Representatives the Bill for "*An Act relating to
Compensation to Workmen employed in the service of the Commonwealth for Injuries suffered in the
course of their Employment,*" and acquaints the House of Representatives that the Senate does not
insist upon its amendments Nos. 1 and 2, disagreed to by the House of Representatives.
H. TURLEY,
President.
The Senate,
Melbourne, 17th December, 1912.
8. ALTERATION OF HOUR OF NEXT MEETING.—Mr. Fisher moved, That the House, at its rising, adjourn
until half-past two o'clock p.m. to-morrow.
Question—put and passed.
9. ADJOURNMENT.—Mr. Fisher moved, That the House do now adjourn.
Debate ensued.
Question—put and passed.
- And then the House, at five minutes past eleven 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. Brennan,
Mr. Chapman, Mr. R. Edwards,* Sir John Forrest, Mr. R. W. Foster, Mr. Groom, Mr. Hedges,
Mr. Hans Irvine*, Mr. Jensen, Sir William Lyne, Mr. Mahon, Mr. Page, Mr. Sinclair, and
Mr. Bruce Smith.

* On leave.

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