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THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH.

No. 27.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

WEDNESDAY, 24TH SEPTEMBER, 1913.

1. The House met, at half-past two o'clock p.m., pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair, and read Prayers.
2. PAPER.—Mr. Speaker presented, pursuant to Statute—
Commonwealth Bank Act—Commonwealth Bank of Australia—Balance Sheet at 30th June, 1913, together with Auditor-General's Report thereon.
3. DISTINGUISHED VISITORS.—On the motion of Mr. Joseph Cook, seconded by Mr. Fisher, the Right Honorable Lord Emmott, Donald Macmaster, Esq., K.C., and Arthur Sherwell, Esq. (Members of the British Parliament), were provided with seats on the floor of the House.
4. PAPERS.—Mr. Kelly presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor-General—
Elections and Referendums, 1913—Statistical Returns in relation to the Senate Election; the General Election for the House of Representatives; and the Submission to the Electors of six Proposed Laws (1912) for the Alteration of the Constitution, viz.:—Constitution Alteration:—Trade and Commerce; Corporations; Industrial Matters; Railway Disputes; Trusts; Nationalization of Monopolies.
Ordered to lie on the Table, and to be printed.
Mr. Kelly presented, pursuant to Statute—
Defence Act—Regulations Amended, &c. (Provisional)—
Military College—Statutory Rules 1913, No. 241.
Military Forces—
(Regulations)—Statutory Rules 1913, Nos. 238, 239.
(Financial and Allowance)—Statutory Rules 1913, No. 240.
5. SUPPLY [SUPPLY MOTION].—The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.

(In the Committee.)

Sir John Forrest moved, That a sum not exceeding One million one hundred and twenty-one thousand nine hundred and seventy-nine pounds be granted to His Majesty for or towards defraying the services of the year ending 30th June, 1914.

Debate ensued.

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

The House resumed; Mr. Fowler reported accordingly.

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

6. ALTERATION OF HOUR OF NEXT MEETING.—Mr. Joseph Cook moved, That the House, at its rising, adjourn until a quarter to eight o'clock p.m. to-morrow.
Question—put and passed.

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

And then the House, at fourteen minutes past six o'clock p.m., adjourned until to-morrow at a quarter to eight o'clock p.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT.—All Members were present (at some time during the sitting) except—Mr. Brennan, Mr. Carr, Mr. Hans Irvine, Mr. Manifold, and Mr. Rodgers.

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