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THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH.

No. 53.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

WEDNESDAY, 12TH NOVEMBER, 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. ADJOURNMENT—MOTION FOR PURPOSE OF DISCUSSION.—Mr. Fenton rose in his place and said that he proposed to move the adjournment of the House for the purpose of discussing a definite matter of urgent public importance, namely, "That in the opinion of this House the Commonwealth Government should draw the attention of the British Government to the state of affairs existing in the New Hebrides."

Mr. Speaker thereupon called upon those Members who approved of the proposed discussion to rise in their places, and more than the necessary number of Members having risen accordingly—

Mr. Fenton moved, That the House do now adjourn.

Debate ensued.

It being two hours after the time fixed for the meeting of the House, the House ordered that the Member speaking have leave to continue his speech.

And the said Member having concluded his speech—

Question—That the House do now adjourn—put and negatived.
3. PAPERS.—Sir John Forrest presented, pursuant to Statute—
 - Commonwealth Bank Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1913, No. 140.
 - Mr. Kelly presented, pursuant to Statute—
 - Defence Act—
 - Military Forces—
 - Provisional Regulations—Statutory Rules 1913, No. 273.
 - Financial and Allowance Regulations Amended (Provisional)—Statutory Rules 1913, No. 280.
 - Military College—Provisional Regulations—Statutory Rules 1913, No. 283.
 - Universal Training—Junior Cadets—Provisional Regulations—Statutory Rules 1913, No. 282.
 - Electoral Act and Referendum (Constitution Alteration) Act—Additional Regulations—(Provisional)—Statutory Rules 1913, No. 277.
 - Lands Acquisition Act—Land acquired under, at—
 - Bayswater, Western Australia—For Defence purposes.
 - East Perth, Western Australia—For Postal purposes.
 - Melbourne, Victoria—For Postal purposes.
 - Naval Defence Act—Australian Naval Reserve (Sea-going)—Provisional Regulations—Statutory Rules 1913, No. 281.
 - Public Service Act—Department of Home Affairs—
 - Appointment of J. D. Thomson, as Draughtsman, Class E, Professional Division, Public Works Branch, Central Staff.
 - Appointment of B. H. R. Ziggel, as Draughtsman, Class F, Professional Division, Lands and Surveys Branch.
 - Variation of Appointment (as regards Salary) of C. L. Clarke, as Draughtsman, Class E, Professional Division, Lands and Surveys Branch.

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4. GOVERNMENT PREFERENCE PROHIBITION BILL.—The Order of the Day having been read for the resumption of the debate on the question, That the Bill be now read a second time.
Debate resumed.

Mr. Spence addressing the House, and not having concluded his speech, the House ordered that he have leave to continue his speech when the debate is resumed.

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

5. ADJOURNMENT.—Mr. Joseph Cook moved, That the House do now adjourn.

Question—put and passed.

And then the House, at twenty minutes to 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. Jensen, Mr. McGrath (under suspension), and Mr. McWilliams.

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