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## THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH.

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## VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

## HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

THURSDAY, 23RD APRIL, 1914.

1. The House met, at half-past two o'clock p.m., pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair, and read Prayers.
2. PAPERS.—The following Papers were presented, pursuant to Statute—  
Department of Home Affairs—  
Lands Acquisition Act—Land acquired under, at—  
Bayswater, Western Australia—For Defence purposes.  
Vaucluse, New South Wales—For Postal purposes (two).  
Woodforde, near Magill, South Australia—For Defence purposes.
3. ADDRESS IN REPLY TO HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL'S SPEECH.—The Order of the Day having been read for the resumption of the debate on the question—That the following Address in Reply to the Speech of His Excellency the Governor-General be agreed to by this House:—  
MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY—  
We, the House of Representatives of the Parliament of the Commonwealth of Australia, in Parliament assembled, beg to express our loyalty to our Most Gracious Sovereign, and to thank Your Excellency for the Speech which you have been pleased to address to Parliament—  
*And on the amendment moved thereto by Mr. Fisher, viz.:*—That the following words be added to the proposed Address:—  
“but regret to have to inform you that your Advisers deserve censure for having failed to safeguard the interests of the people of the Commonwealth”—  
Debate resumed.  
Mr. Finlayson 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.
4. TIME OF NEXT MEETING.—Mr. Joseph Cook moved, That the House, at its rising, adjourn until to-morrow, at half-past ten o'clock a.m.  
Question—put and passed.
5. ADJOURNMENT.—Mr. Joseph Cook moved, That the House do now adjourn.  
Question—put and passed.

And then the House, at four minutes to eleven o'clock p.m., adjourned until to-morrow at half-past ten o'clock a.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT.—All Members were present (at some time during the sitting) except—Mr. Kelly, Mr. Palmer, and Mr. Thomas.

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