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(SECOND<sup>d</sup> SESSION.)

# THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH.

No. 4.

## VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

## HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

THURSDAY, 15<sup>TH</sup> OCTOBER, 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. MESSAGES FROM THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL.—ASSENT TO BILLS.—The following Messages from His Excellency the Governor-General were presented, and the same were read by Mr. Speaker :—

[*Conciliation and Arbitration Bill* (1914)]—

R. M. FERGUSON,  
*Governor-General.*

*Message No. 3.*

A Bill intituled "*An Act to amend the ' Commonwealth Conciliation and Arbitration Act 1904-1911 '*," as finally passed by the Senate and the House of Representatives of the Commonwealth, having been presented to the Governor-General for the Royal Assent, His Excellency has, in the name and on behalf of His Majesty, assented to the said Act.

Government House,  
Melbourne, 10th October, 1914.

[*Supply Bill* (No. 2) 1914-15]—

R. M. FERGUSON,  
*Governor-General.*

*Message No. 4.*

A Bill intituled "*An Act to grant and apply a sum out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund for the service of the year ending the thirtieth day of June One thousand nine hundred and fifteen,*" as finally passed by the Senate and the House of Representatives of the Commonwealth, having been presented to the Governor-General for the Royal Assent, His Excellency has, in the name and on behalf of His Majesty, assented to the said Act.

Government House,  
Melbourne, 12th October, 1914.

[*Supply (Works and Buildings) Bill* (No. 2) 1914-15]—

R. M. FERGUSON,  
*Governor-General.*

*Message No. 5.*

A Bill intituled "*An Act to grant and apply a sum out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund for the service of the year ending the thirtieth day of June One thousand nine hundred and fifteen for the purposes of Additions, New Works, Buildings, &c.,*" as finally passed by the Senate and the House of Representatives of the Commonwealth, having been presented to the Governor-General for the Royal Assent, His Excellency has, in the name and on behalf of His Majesty, assented to the said Act.

Government House,  
Melbourne, 12th October, 1914.

3. PAPERS.—The following Papers were presented, pursuant to Statute—

Defence Department—

Defence Act—Regulations Amended (Provisional)—

Universal Training—Statutory Rules 1914, No. 134.

Military Forces—Financial and Allowance—Statutory Rules 1914, No. 135.

15th October, 1914.

4. 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—

Debate resumed.

Question—put and passed.

Mr. Fisher informed the House that Members would be notified when His Excellency the Governor-General had fixed the time for receiving the Address.

5. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day Nos. 2 and 3 be postponed until next sitting.

6. TRADING WITH THE ENEMY BILL.—Mr. Hughes moved, pursuant to notice, That he have leave to bring in a Bill for an Act relating to Trading with the Enemy.

Question—put and passed.

Mr. Hughes then brought up the Bill accordingly, and moved, That it be now read a first time.

Question—put and passed.—Bill read a first time.

Ordered—That the second reading be made an Order of the Day for Wednesday next.

7. JUDICIARY BILL (1914).—Mr. Hughes moved, pursuant to notice, That he have leave to bring in a Bill for an Act to amend the *Judiciary Act* 1903–12.

Question—put and passed.

Mr. Hughes then brought up the Bill accordingly, and moved, That it be now read a first time.

Question—put and passed.—Bill read a first time.

Ordered—That the second reading be made an Order of the Day for Wednesday next.

8. CRIMES BILL.—Mr. Hughes moved, by leave, That he have leave to bring in a Bill for an Act relating to Offences against the Commonwealth.

Question—put and passed.

Mr. Hughes then brought up the Bill accordingly, and moved, That it be now read a first time.

Question—put and passed.—Bill read a first time.

Ordered—That the second reading be made an Order of the Day for Wednesday next.

9. SPECIAL ADJOURNMENT.—Mr. Fisher moved, That the House, at its rising, adjourn until Wednesday next.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and passed.

10. ADJOURNMENT.—Mr. Fisher moved, That the House do now adjourn.

Debate ensued.

Motion, by leave, temporarily withdrawn.

11. MESSAGE FROM THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL.—GRANT TO BELGIUM BILL.—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor-General was presented, and the same was read by Mr. Speaker:—

R. M. FERGUSON,  
*Governor-General.*

*Message No. 6.*

In accordance with the requirements of section fifty-six of the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Australia, the Governor-General recommends to the House of Representatives that an appropriation of revenue be made for the purposes of a Bill for an Act to grant and apply out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund the sum of One hundred thousand pounds as a grant in aid to the Government of Belgium.

15th October, 1914.

Ordered—That the consideration of the foregoing Message in Committee of the whole House be made an Order of the Day for Wednesday next.

12. ADJOURNMENT.—Mr. Fisher moved, That the House do now adjourn.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and passed.

And then the House, at ten minutes to six o'clock p.m., adjourned until Wednesday next at three o'clock p.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT.—All Members were present (at some time during the sitting) except—Mr. Abbott, Mr. Arthur, Mr. Burchell, Mr. Carr, Mr. Chapman, Mr. R. W. Foster, Mr. Groom, Mr. Howe, Colonel Ryrie, Mr. Sampson, Mr. Sinclair, and Mr. Wise.

C. GAVAN DUFFY,

*Clerk of the House of Representatives.*