(SECOND SESSION.)

THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH.

No. 8.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

THURSDAY, 12TH NOVEMBER, 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. PAPER.—The following Paper was presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor-General— Prime Minister's Department—
 - Belgium—Grant to—Cablegram to Secretary of State for the Colonies transmitting Resolution authorizing payment of £100,000; also acknowledgment from High Commissioner.

Ordered to lie on the Table, and to be printed.

3. CONCILIATION AND ARBITRATION BILL (1914) (No. 2).—Mr. Hughes, pursuant to leave given on the 11th instant, brought up a Bill intituled "A Bill for an Act to amend the 'Commonwealth Conciliation and Arbitration Act 1904–1911' and the 'Commonwealth Conciliation and Arbitration Act 1914," 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 to-morrow.
- 4. PAPERS.—The following Papers were presented, pursuant to Statute—

Department of Trade and Customs-

Public Service Act—Promotion of W. J. Anderson, as Clerk in Charge, 3rd Class, Correspondence and Records Branch, New South Wales.

· Postmaster-General's Department-

- Public Service Act—Promotion of J. T. Thompson, as Postmaster, Grade IV., 3rd Class, Longreach.
- 5. PRODUCE—INTER-STATE—INSPECTION AND CONTROL OF.—Mr. McGrath moved, pursuant to notice, That, in the opinion of this House, the Commonwealth should forthwith take over the inspection and effective control of produce passing from State to State.

Debate ensued.

Sir Robert Best 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 Thursday, 10th December next.
- It being two hours after the time fixed for the meeting of the House, in accordance with Standing Order No. 119 the Orders of the Day were called on.
- 6. Senators—Method of Election.—The Order of the Day having been read for the resumption of the debate on the following motion of Mr. Glynn:—That, with a view to securing as far as possible representation of parties in proportion to their strengths at the polls, the method of election by quota and transferable vote be adopted as the method of choosing Senators.

 Debate resumed.
 - Mr. Archibald 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 Thursday, 26th instant.
- 7. PAPER.—The following Paper was presented, pursuant to Statute—

Defence Department-

War Precautions Act—Regulations (Provisional)—Statutory Rules 1914, No. 154.

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8. Initiative and Referendum Bill .-- Mr. Hughes moved, pursuant to notice, That he have leave to bring in a Bill for an Act to enable the Electors to take part in the Initiation and Approval of Legislation.

Question—put and passed.

9. Purchase Telephone Lines Acquisition Bill (1914).—Mr. Spence moved, pursuant to notice, That he have leave to bring in a Bill for an Act to amend the Purchase Telephone Lines Acquisition Act 1911.

Question—put and passed.

Mr. Spence 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 to-morrow.

- 10. Marriage Bill.—Mr. Hughes moved, pursuant to notice, That he have leave to bring in a Bill for an Act relating to Marriage. Question—put and passed.
- 11. RULES PUBLICATION BILL (1914).—Mr. Hughes moved, pursuant to notice, That he have leave to bring in a Bill for an Act to amend the Rules Publication Act 1903. 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 to-morrow.

- 12. NOTICE OF MOTION WITHDRAWN.—Notice of Motion No. 5 [for leave to bring in Navigation Bill (1914)] was withdrawn.
- 13. Extradition Bill (1914).—Mr. Hughes moved, pursuant to notice given by Mr. Mahon, That he have leave to bring in a Bill for an Act to amend the Extradition Act 1903. 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 to-morrow.

14. COMMONWEALTH BANK BILL (1914).—The Order of the Day having been read for the second reading -Mr. Fisher moved, That the Bill be now read a second time.

Sir John Forrest 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 to-morrow.

15. PATENTS, TRADE MARKS AND DESIGNS BILL (1914).—The Order of the Day having been read for the second reading-Mr. Hughes moved, That the Bill be now read a second time. Debate ensued.

Question-put and passed.—Bill read a second time.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole.

(In the Committee.)

Clauses 1 and 2 agreed to. Clause 3 debated and agreed to. Title agreed to. Bill to be reported without amendment.

The House resumed; Mr. Chanter reported accordingly.

On the motion of Mr. Hughes, the House adopted the Report, and, by leave, the Bill was read a third time.

16. Lands Acquisition Bill (1914).—The Order of the Day having been read for the second reading— Mr. Archibald moved, That the Bill be now read a second time. Debate ensued.

Mr. Yates 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.

17. ADJOURNMENT.—Mr. Fisher moved, That the House do now adjourn. Question—put and passed.

And then the House, at sixteen minutes past 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. Arthur*, Mr. Jolley, Mr. Ozanne, Mr. Poynton, Colonel Ryrie, and Mr. Stumm.

* On leave.

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