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## THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH.

No. 49.

## VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

## HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

WEDNESDAY, 2ND JUNE, 1915.

1. The House met, at three o'clock p.m., pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair, and read Prayers.
2. PAPERS.—The following Paper was presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor-General—  
 Prime Minister's Department—  
 The War—Notes exchanged with the Chilean Minister respecting the sinking of the German Cruiser *Dresden* in Chilean Territorial Waters.  
 Ordered to lie on the Table.  
 The following Papers were presented, pursuant to Statute—  
 Department of Home Affairs—  
 Census and Statistics Act—Regulations Amended (Provisional)—Statutory Rules 1915, No. 48.  
 Lands Acquisition Act—  
 Land acquired under, at—  
 Ashfield, New South Wales—For Postal purposes.  
 Bunbury, Western Australia—For Quarantine purposes.  
 Carlton, Victoria—For Postal purposes.  
 Lismore, New South Wales—For Defence purposes.  
 Port Hedland, Western Australia—For Postal purposes.  
 St. Kilda, Victoria—For Defence purposes.  
 Postmaster-General's Department—  
 Public Service Act—Promotion of W. Layton, as Postmaster, Grade IV., 3rd Class, Bourke.  
 Department of Defence—  
 War Precautions Act—Provisional Regulations—Statutory Rules 1915, No. 77.
3. GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—PRECEDENCE TO.—Mr. Tudor, for Mr. Fisher, moved, pursuant to notice, That, on each sitting day, unless otherwise ordered, Government Business shall take precedence of General Business.  
 Debate ensued.  
 Question—put and passed.
4. LIGHTHOUSES BILL (1915).—Mr. Tudor moved, pursuant to notice, That he have leave to bring in a Bill for an Act to amend the *Lighthouses Act* 1911.  
 Question—put and passed.

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5. SUPPLY [ESTIMATES 1914-15].—The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.

(In the Committee.)

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Postponed Division No. 34, subdivision No. 1, further debated.  
Progress to be reported, and leave asked to sit again.

The House resumed; Mr. Chanter reported accordingly.

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

6. LIGHTHOUSES BILL (1915).—Mr. Tudor, pursuant to leave given this day, brought up a Bill intituled "*A Bill for an Act to amend the 'Lighthouses Act 1911,'*" 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.
7. ADJOURNMENT.—Mr. Tudor moved, That the House do now adjourn.  
Debate ensued.  
Question—put and passed.

And then the House, at thirty-two minutes past 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. Abbott, Mr. Archibald, Mr. Burchell, Mr. Carr, Mr. Chapman, Mr. Fisher, Sir John Forrest, Mr. Hannan, Mr. Higgs, Mr. Hughes, Sir William Irvine, Mr. Livingston, Mr. Lynch, Mr. Orchard, Colonel Ryrie\*, Mr. Sharpe, Mr. Bruce Smith, Mr. Stumm, Mr. Watkins, and Mr. West.

\* On leave.

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*Clerk of the House of Representatives*