THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH.

No. 76

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

THURSDAY, 12TH AUGUST, 1915.

- The House met, at half-past two o'clock p.m., pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair, and read Prayers.
- 2. Supply [Financial Statement].—The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.

(In the Committee.)

Supply Bill (No. 2) 1915-16.

Mr. Fisher, having delivered a Financial Statement, moved—That a sum not exceeding Sixteen million one hundred and ninety-five thousand four hundred and sixty-nine pounds be granted to His Majesty for or towards defraying the services of the year ending 30th June, 1916. Progress to be reported, and leave asked to sit again.

The House resumed; Mr. Charlton reported accordingly. Resolved—That the House will, to-morrow, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

- 3. Postponement of Orders of the Day.—Ordered—That the remaining Orders of the Day be postponed until after Notices of Motion, Government Business.
- 4. Income Tax Assessment Bill.—Mr. Hughes moved, pursuant to notice, That he have leave to bring in a Bill for an Act relating to the Imposition Assessment and Collection of a Tax upon Incomes. Question—put and passed.
- 5. SMALL ARMS FACTORY—ERECTION AT CANBERRA.—Mr. Archibald moved, pursuant to notice, That, in view of the Report of the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Public Works, it is desirable that a Small Arms Factory, with necessary provision for housing workmen, be erected forthwith at Canberra.

Debate ensued.

Mr. Watkins 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. F.12571.

6. Adjournment.—Mr. Hughes moved, That the House do now adjourn. Debate ensued.

Question—put and passed.

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

Members Present.—All Members were present (at some time during the sitting) except—Lieut.-Colonel Abbott*, Mr. Burchell, Mr. Finlayson, Mr. Fleming, Mr. Greene, Mr. Lynch, Mr. Mahony, Mr. Page, General Ryrie*, Mr. Salmon, Mr. Sharpe, Mr. Stumm, Mr. West, and Mr. Yates.

* On leave.

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