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THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH.

No. 80.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

FRIDAY, 20TH AUGUST, 1915.

1. The House met, at half-past ten o'clock a.m., pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair, and read Prayers.
2. PAPERS.—The following Papers were presented, pursuant to Statute—
 - Department of Trade and Customs—
 - Inter-State Commission Act—
 - Inter-State Commission—Tariff Investigation Reports—
 - Butter : Margarine : and Edible Oils.
 - Inks, Stains, and Dressings for Leather.
 - Paints and Colours, Varnishes, and Paint Oils.
 - Miscellaneous Group I.—Arrowroot. Biscuits, Dog. Coffee. Fish, Preserved. Foods, Infants' and Invalids'. Game and Eggs. Isinglass. Jelly Crystals. Lemon Syrup Crystals. Nuts, Edible. Onions and Potatoes. Polish, Metal. Salt. Seed, Canary. Seeds of Green Manure Plants. Tamarinds. Yeast.
 - Miscellaneous Group II.—Badges, Regalias, and Gold Embroideries. Calico for the Manufacture of Bags for the Export of Flour. Carpets, Floorcloths, and Linoleums. Cottons, Sewing, viz. :—Fancy Cotton Threads, Plain and Mercerised. Feathers. Felt, Roofing, and Damp-courses. Felt, Saddlers'. Flowers, Artificial. Hessians and Brattice Cloth, Jute Piece Goods and Bookbinders' Cloth. Parasols. Quilts, Down. Saddlebags and Divan Covers. Sails, Tents, and Tarpaulins. Shirt Studs, Small. Woven Smallware.

Severally ordered to be printed.
3. CONCILIATION AND ARBITRATION BILL (1915).—Mr. Hughes, pursuant to leave given on the 19th instant, brought up a Bill intituled "*A Bill for an Act to amend the 'Commonwealth Conciliation and Arbitration Act 1904-1914,'*" 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 the next day of sitting.
4. ADJOURNMENT—MOTION FOR PURPOSE OF DISCUSSION.—Mr. Kelly rose in his place, and said that he proposed to move the adjournment of the House for the purpose of discussing a definite matter of urgent public importance, namely, "The permission given to Mr. Julius Blau to visit the United States of America, and the subsequent importation of quantities of 4711 eau de Cologne."

Mr. Speaker thereupon called upon those Members who approved of the proposed discussion to rise in their places, and more than the necessary number of Members having risen accordingly—

Mr. Kelly moved, That the House do now adjourn.

Mr. Hughes, addressing the House, and not having, in compliance with Standing Order No. 39, concluded his speech within fifteen minutes, the honorable Member was, by leave of the House, allowed to continue his speech.

Debate continued.

It being two hours after the time fixed for the meeting of the House, in accordance with Standing Order No. 119, the Business of the Day was called on.

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5. SUPPLY [FINANCIAL STATEMENT AND SUPPLY BILLS].—The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.

(In the Committee.)

SUPPLY BILL (No. 2), 1915-16.

Debate resumed on the following motion of Mr. Fisher:—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. Chanter reported accordingly.

Resolved—That the House will, on Wednesday next, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

6. PAPERS.—The following Paper was presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor-General—
 Prime Minister's Department—
 Liverpool Military Camp, New South Wales—Report on, by His Honour Mr. Justice Rich.
 (18th August, 1915.)

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

The following Papers were presented, pursuant to Statute—

Prime Minister's Department—

Public Service Act—Regulation Amended (Provisional)—Statutory Rules 1915, No. 140.

Treasury Department—

Estate Duty Assessment Act 1914—Regulations Amended (Provisional)—Statutory Rules 1915, No. 136.

Land Tax Assessment Act 1910-1914—Regulations Amended (Provisional)—Statutory Rules 1915, No. 137.

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

Question—put and passed.

And then the House, at one minute past four 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—
 Lieut.-Colonel Abbott*, Mr. R. W. Foster, Mr. Hampson, Sir William Irvine, Mr. Lynch,
 Mr. Manifold, General Ryrie*, Mr. Salmon, Mr. Bruce Smith, Mr. Webster, and Mr. Wise.

* On leave.

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