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 THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH.

No. 111.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

FRIDAY, 1ST SEPTEMBER, 1916.

1. The House met, at half-past ten o'clock a.m., pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair and read Prayers.
2. PARLIAMENTARY STANDING COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC WORKS.—Mr. Riley, Chairman of the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Public Works, brought up the following Report from the Committee—
Flinders Naval Base—Proposed Water Supply Scheme—Report, together with Minutes of Evidence.
Ordered to be printed.
3. THE WAR AND AUSTRALIAN RECRUITING.—Mr. Hughes moved, That the Statement made to the House on Wednesday, 30th August last, showing the Government proposals for obtaining recruits for War Service, be printed.
Mr. Joseph Cook 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 Wednesday next.
4. MESSAGE FROM THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL.—SUPPLY BILL (No. 2) 1916-17.—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. 164.

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 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 seventeen.

Melbourne, 1st September, 1916.

Ordered to lie on the Table, and to be referred to the Committee of Supply.

5. SUPPLY [SUPPLY BILL].—The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.

(In the Committee.)

SUPPLY BILL (No. 2) 1916-17.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Tudor—That a sum not exceeding Five million and twenty-three thousand five hundred and eighty pounds be granted to His Majesty for or towards defraying the services of the year ending 30th June, 1917.

Resolution to be reported, and leave asked to sit again.

 The House resumed; Mr. Chanter reported accordingly.

Resolved—That the House will, at a later hour this day, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

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6. **SUSPENSION OF STANDING ORDERS.**—Mr. Tudor moved, pursuant to contingent notice, That the Standing Orders be suspended, to enable the remaining stages to be passed without delay.
Question—put and passed.
7. **SUPPLY RESOLUTION.**—The Resolution reported from the Committee of Supply was read, and, on the motion of Mr. Tudor, was adopted by the House.
8. **WAYS AND MEANS—RESOLUTION.**—The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Ways and Means.

(In the Committee.)

SUPPLY BILL (No. 2) 1916-17.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Tudor, after debate—That towards making good the Supply granted to His Majesty for the services of the year ending 30th June, 1917, a sum not exceeding Five million and twenty-three thousand five hundred and eighty pounds be granted out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund.

Resolution to be reported, and leave asked to sit again.

The House resumed; Mr. Chanter reported accordingly.

Resolved—That the House will, at its next meeting, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Resolution reported from the Committee was read, and, on the motion of Mr. Tudor, was adopted by the House.

Ordered—That Mr. Tudor and Mr. Hughes do prepare and bring in a Bill to carry out the foregoing Resolution.

9. **SUPPLY BILL (No. 2) 1916-17.**—Mr. Tudor then brought up a Bill intituled "*A Bill for 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 seventeen*," 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.

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

Debate ensued.

Question—put and passed.

And then the House, at five minutes past one 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. Burchell, Mr. Catts, Mr. Glynn, Mr. Hampson, Mr. Higgs, Sir William Irvine, Mr. McGrath, Mr. Orchard, Mr. Ozanne*, Mr. Palmer, General Ryrie*, Mr. Salmon, Mr. Sinclair, Mr. Spence, Mr. Stumm, Mr. Thomas, and Mr. Watkins.

* On leave.

C. GAVAN DUFFY,

Clerk of the House of Representatives.