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THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA.

No. 83.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

THURSDAY, 3RD OCTOBER, 1918.

1. The House met, at half-past two o'clock p.m., pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair, and read Prayers.
2. PAPERS.—The following Papers were presented, pursuant to Statute—
 Defence Act—Regulations Amended—Statutory Rules 1918, No. 241.
 Lands Acquisition Act—Land acquired under, at Westernport, Victoria—For Defence purposes.
 War Precautions Act—Regulations Amended—Statutory Rules 1918, No. 247.
3. SUPPLY ["GRIEVANCE DAY"].—Pursuant to the provisions of Standing Order No. 241, the Order of the Day having been read for going into the Committee of Supply—
 Question proposed—That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair.
 Debate ensued.
 Question—put and negatived.
 Resolved—That the House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.
4. POSTPONEMENT OF BUSINESS.—Ordered, That the intervening Business be postponed until after the consideration of Notices of Motion Nos. 2 and 6, Government Business.
5. BEER EXCISE BILL (1918).—Mr. Jensen moved, pursuant to notice, That he have leave to bring in a Bill for an Act to amend the *Beer Excise Act* 1901-1912.
 Question—put and passed.
 Mr. Jensen 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.
6. ELECTORAL BILL (1918).—Mr. Glynn moved, pursuant to notice, That he have leave to bring in a Bill for an Act to consolidate and amend the Law relating to Parliamentary Elections and for other purposes.
 Question—put and passed.
 Mr. Glynn 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.
7. ADJOURNMENT.—Mr. Watt moved, That the House do now adjourn.
 Debate ensued.
 Question—put and passed.

And then the House, at seven minutes to eleven o'clock p.m., adjourned until to-morrow at eleven o'clock a.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT.—All Members were present (at some time during the sitting) except—
 Mr. Anstey*, Mr. Burchell*^a, Mr. J. H. Catts, Mr. Chapman, Sir Joseph Cook, Mr. Finlayson, Mr. Fleming*^a, Mr. Heitmann^a, Mr. Hughes, Mr. Manifold*, Mr. McDonald, Mr. Nicholls, Mr. Rodgers, Brigadier-General Ryrie*^a, Mr. Sampson, Mr. Bruce Smith, Mr. Wallace^a, and Mr. Yates*^a.

* On leave.

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WALTER A. GALE,
 Clerk of the House of Representatives.