## THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA.

### No. 4.

# VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

## HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

### THURSDAY, 4TH MARCH, 1920.

- 1. The House met, at half-past two o'clock p.m., pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair, and read Prayers.
- 2. Want of Confidence in the Government—Appointment of Committee of Supply.—The Order of the Day having been read for the resumption of the debate on the following motion of Mr. Watt, That the House do now resolve itself into a Committee to consider the Supply to be granted to His Majesty—and on the Amendment moved by Mr. Tudor, viz.:—That after the word "That" the following words be inserted:—"the Government be censured for (a) their failure to deal with profiteering; (b) their injudicious expenditure; (c) their control of shipping and of wheat, wool, metals, and other products"—

Debate resumed.

Mr. Groom 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 a later hour this day.

- 3. MINISTERIAL STATEMENT—FINANCE, ETC., AND VISIT OF TREASURER TO LONDON.—Mr. Hughes, by leave, made a Ministerial Statement with reference to the proposed early visit of the Treasurer (Mr. Watt) to London in connexion with the Finances, &c., of the Commonwealth.
- 4. TEMPORARY CHAIRMEN OF COMMITTEES.—The following Warrant, nominating Temporary Chairmen of Committees, pursuant to Standing Order No. 25, was laid upon the Table by Mr. Speaker:—

#### The Parliament of the Commonwealth.

### House of Representatives.

Pursuant to the provisions of the Standing Order numbered 25, I do hereby nominate-

Llewelyn Atkinson, Esquire, Matthew Charlton, Esquire, William Montgomerie Fleming, Esquire, and The Honorable David Watkins,

to act as Temporary Chairmen of Committees when requested so to do by the Chairman of Committees.

Given under my hand this fourth day of March, One thousand nine hundred and twenty.

W. ELLIOT JOHNSON,

Speaker.

5. Want of Confidence in the Government—Appointment of Committee of Supply.—The Order of the Day having been read for the resumption of the debate on the following motion of Mr. Watt, That the House do now resolve itself into a Committee to consider the Supply to be granted to His Majesty—and on the Amendment moved by Mr. Tudor, viz.:—That after the word "That" the following words be inserted:—"the Government be censured for (a) their failure to deal with profiteering; (b) their injudicious expenditure; (c) their control of shipping and of wheat, wool, metals, and other products"—

Debate resumed.

Mr. Ryan 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.

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 ADJOURNMENT.—Mr. Hughes moved, That the House do now adjourn. Question—put and passed.

And then the House, at twenty-six minutes past ten 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. Blundell, Mr. J. H. Catts, Mr. Austin Chapman, Mr. Charlton\*, Mr. Considine, and Mr. Livingston\*.

\* On leave.

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