

THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA.

No. 53.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

THURSDAY, 5TH AUGUST, 1920.

1. The House met, at half-past two o'clock p.m., pursuant to adjournment.
2. **ABSENCE OF MR. SPEAKER.**—The Clerk, at the Table, having informed the House that Mr. Speaker was unavoidably absent, the Chairman of Committees took the Chair as Deputy-Speaker, and read Prayers.
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. **INDUSTRIAL PEACE BILL.**—The Order of the Day having been read for the resumption of the debate on the question, That the Bill be now read a second time—  
Debate resumed.  
*Point of Order.*—A Point of Order having been raised that the discussion on the Bill was not in order, as many industrial disputes were pending before the Arbitration Court, and were therefore now *sub judice*, and Mr. Deputy-Speaker being ruled against the Point of Order—  
Mr. Mathews handed in, in writing, the following objection to the ruling:—  
“That Mr. Deputy-Speaker’s Ruling—That the Industrial Peace Bill is properly before the House for discussion—be dissented from”.  
The debate thereon was forthwith adjourned to the next sitting day.  
Debate on original question continued.  
Mr. Mahony 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.
5. **MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.**—**SUPPLY BILL (No. 2) 1920-21.**—Mr. Deputy-Speaker announced the receipt of the following Message from the Senate:—

MR. SPEAKER,

Message No. 36.

The Senate returns to the House of Representatives the 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 twenty-one,” to which it has agreed without requests.

THOS. GIVENS,  
President.

The Senate,  
Melbourne, 5th August, 1920.

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6. PAPER.—The following Paper was presented, pursuant to Statute—  
War Precautions Act—Régulations Amended—Statutory Rules 1920, No. 119.

7. ADJOURNMENT.—Sir Joseph Cook moved, That the House do now adjourn.  
Question—put and passed.

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

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MEMBERS PRESENT.—All Members were present (at some time during the sitting) except—Mr. Anstey\*, Mr. Bayley, Sir Robert Best, Mr. J. H. Catts, Mr. Corser, Mr. Groom, Mr. Hay, Sir Elliot Johnson, Mr. Mackay, Mr. Mahon, Mr. McWilliams, Mr. Earle Page, Mr. James Page\*, Mr. Ryan, Mr. Stéwart, and Mr. Watt\*.

\* On leave.

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