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THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA.

No. 60.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

FRIDAY, 20TH AUGUST, 1920.

1. The House met, at eleven o'clock a.m., pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair, and read Prayers.
2. ADJOURNMENT—MOTION FOR PURPOSE OF DISCUSSION.—Mr. Mathews 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 unsatisfactory distribution of sugar to retailers, by the Commonwealth Government".
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. Mathews moved, That the House do now adjourn.
Debate ensued.
Question—put and negatived.
3. CONCILIATION AND ARBITRATION BILL (1920).—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.
Question—put and passed.—Bill read a second time.
Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole.

(In the Committee.)

Clause 1 agreed to.
 Clause 2—
 Progress to be reported, and leave asked to sit again.

The House resumed; Mr. Chanter reported accordingly.
 Resolved—That the House will, at its next sitting, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

4. MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.—INSTITUTE OF SCIENCE AND INDUSTRY BILL.—Mr. Speaker announced the receipt of the following Message from the Senate:—

MR. SPEAKER,

Message No. 41.

The Senate returns to the House of Representatives the Bill for "*An Act relating to the Commonwealth Institute of Science and Industry*," to which it has agreed with the amendments indicated in the annexed Schedule, in which amendments the Senate requests the concurrence of the House of Representatives.

The Senate,
 Melbourne, 20th August, 1920.

THOS. GIVENS,
 President.

Ordered—That the consideration of the foregoing Message, in Committee of the whole House, be made an Order of the Day for the next sitting.

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5. MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.—NATIONALITY BILL.—Mr. Speaker announced the receipt of the following Message from the Senate :—

MR. SPEAKER,

Message No. 42.

The Senate has passed a Bill for "*An Act relating to Nationality and Aliens,*" and transmits the same to the House of Representatives for its concurrence.

The Senate,
Melbourne, 20th August, 1920.

THOS. GIVENS,
President.

Mr. Poynton moved, That the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message 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 sitting.

6. PAPER.—The following Paper was presented, pursuant to Statute—

Commerce (Trade Descriptions) Act—Regulations Amended—Statutory Rules 1920, No. 141.

7. ADJOURNMENT—COUNT OUT.—Sir Joseph Cook moved, That the House do now adjourn.

Debate ensued.

Mr. Lister called the attention of Mr. Deputy-Speaker to the fact that a quorum of Members was not present.

The bells having been rung, and a quorum not having been obtained within the prescribed time, Mr. Deputy-Speaker thereupon, at seven minutes past four o'clock p.m., adjourned the House until Wednesday next, at three o'clock p.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT.—All Members were present (at some time during the sitting) except—Mr. Anstey*, Mr. Blakeley, Mr. Bowden*, Mr. Brennan, Mr. J. H. Catts, Mr. Considine, Mr. Fenton, Mr. Higgs, Mr. Jowett, Mr. Lamond, Mr. Livingston, Mr. Marks, Mr. Nicholls, Mr. James Page*, Mr. Watt*, Mr. West, and Mr. Wienholt.

* On leave.

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