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# THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA.

No. 7.

## VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

## HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

FRIDAY, 22ND JUNE, 1923.

1. The House met, at eleven o'clock a.m., pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair, and read Prayers.
2. ADDRESS IN REPLY TO THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL'S SPEECH.—The Order of the Day having been read for the resumption of the debate on the question—That the following Address in Reply to the Speech of His Excellency the Governor-General be agreed to :—

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY—

We, the House of Representatives of the Parliament of the Commonwealth of Australia, in Parliament assembled, beg to express our loyalty to our Most Gracious Sovereign, and to thank Your Excellency for the Speech which you have been pleased to address to Parliament—

Debate resumed.

*Closure.*—Mr. Bruce (Prime Minister) moved, That the question be now put.

Question—That the question be now put—put.

The House divided—

Ayes, 40.

Mr. Atkinson	Mr. Hunter
Mr. Bamford	Mr. Hurry
Mr. Bayley	Mr. Jackson
Mr. Bowden	Sir Elliot Johnson
Mr. Bruce	Mr. Killen
Mr. Malcolm Cameron	Mr. Lister
Mr. Austin Chapman	Mr. Mackay
Mr. Robert Cook	Mr. Mann
Mr. Corser	Mr. Manning
Mr. Duncan-Hughes	Mr. Marks
Mr. R. W. Foster	Mr. Maxwell
Mr. Frederick Francis	Mr. Earle Page
Mr. Josiah Francis	Mr. Thomas Paterson
Mr. Gardner	Sir Granville Ryrie
Mr. Gibson	Mr. Seabrook
Mr. Roland Green	Mr. William Watson
Mr. Gregory	Mr. Whitsitt
Mr. Groom	
Mr. Hill	
Sir Neville Howse	Mr. Marr
Mr. Hughes	Mr. Prowse

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Mr. Anstey	Mr. McNeill
Mr. Brennan	Mr. Parker Moloney
Mr. Charlton	Mr. O'Keefe
Mr. Coleman	Mr. Edward Riley
Mr. Forde	Mr. E. C. Riley
Mr. Gabb	Mr. Scullin
Mr. Lacey	Mr. West
Mr. Lazzarini	Mr. Yates
Mr. Mahony	
Mr. Makin	
Mr. W. Maloney	
Mr. Mathews	Mr. Blakeley
Mr. Frederick McDonald	Mr. Fenton

Tellers :

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

And the question—That the proposed Address in Reply be agreed to by this House—was put accordingly and passed.

Mr. Bruce informed the House that he would ascertain when it would be convenient for His Excellency the Governor-General to receive the Address in Reply, and honorable Members would be notified accordingly.

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3. MAIN ROADS DEVELOPMENT BILL.—The Order of the Day having been read for the consideration in Committee of the whole House of Message No. 5 from His Excellency the Governor-General's Deputy—  
Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole.

(In the Committee.)

*Resolved*, on the motion of Mr. Bruce (Prime Minister)—That it is expedient that an appropriation of revenue be made for the purposes of a Bill for an Act to provide for Main Roads Development.

Resolution to be reported.

The House resumed; Mr Bamford reported accordingly.

Mr. Bruce moved, by leave, That the Standing Orders be suspended, to enable the remaining stages to be passed without delay.

Question—put and passed.

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

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

Mr. Bruce then brought up the Bill accordingly, and moved, That it be now read a first time.

Question—put and passed.—Bill read a first time.

Mr. Bruce moved, That the Bill be now read a second time.

Debate ensued.

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.)

Bill, by leave, taken as a whole and, after debate, agreed to, and to be reported without amendment.

The House resumed; Mr. Bamford reported accordingly.

On the motion of Mr. Bruce, the House adopted the Report, and the Bill was read a third time.

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

Lands Acquisition Act—Land acquired under, at McLaren Vale, South Australia—For Postal purposes.

5. TIME OF NEXT MEETING.—Mr. Bruce (Prime Minister) moved, That the House, at its rising, adjourn until Wednesday next at three o'clock p.m.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and passed.

6. ADJOURNMENT.—Mr. Bruce (Prime Minister) moved, That the House do now adjourn.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and passed.

And then the House, at fifteen minutes past four 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—Mr. Donald Cameron, Mr. Albert Green, Mr. Lambert, Mr. Charles McDonald, Mr. McGrath, Mr. Stewart, and Mr. Thompson.

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