## THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA.

No. 28.

## VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

## HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

## TUESDAY, 31st JULY, 1923.

- 1. The House met, at half-past two o'clock p.m., pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker (the Right Honorable W. A. Watt) took the Chair, and read Prayers.
- 2. Papers.—The following Paper was presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor-General—Shipping Committee (Imperial)—Report on the economic size and speed of vessels trading between the United Kingdom and Australia, and on the subsidies necessary to maintain speeds in excess of the economic speed.

Ordered to lie on the Table.

The following Papers were presented, pursuant to Statute—

Post and Telegraph Act—Regulations Amended—Statutory Rules 1923, No. 72. Wireless Telegraphy Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1923, No. 97.

3. MINISTERIAL STATEMENT—IMPERIAL AND ECONOMIC CONFERENCES, 1923—SUBJECTS FOR DISCUSSION—MOTION FOR PRINTING PAPERS.—The Order of the Day having been read for the resumption of the debate on the following motion of Mr. Bruce (Prime Minister)—That the Papers [presented on the 24th instant], viz.:—

Imperial Conference, 1923—Subjects listed for discussion; Economic Conference, 1923—Subjects listed for discussion be printed—

Debate resumed.

Mr. Frederick McDonald 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 the next sitting.

4. Adjournment.—Mr. Bruce (Prime Minister) moved, That the House do now adjourn. Question—put and passed.

And then the House, at eleven minutes to eleven o'clock p.m., adjourned until to-morrow at half-past two o'clock p.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT.—All Members were present (at some time during the sitting) except—
Mr. Bamford, Mr. Donald Cameron\*, Mr. Fenton, Mr. Gardner, Mr. Roland Green, Sir Neville
Howse, Sir Elliot Johnson, Mr. Lambert, Mr. Mahony, Mr. Marks, Mr. McGrath, Mr. Seabrook,
and Mr. Whitsitt.

On leave.

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