## THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH.

No. 28.

## VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

## HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

## TUESDAY, 9TH JULY, 1901.

- 1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair, and read Prayers.
- 2. Officers of the House.—Mr. Speaker informed the House that in consequence of the retirement of the Clerk, Mr. G. H. Jenkins, C.M.G., who had resumed his office of Clerk of the Parliaments of Victoria, it had been necessary to re-arrange the staff at the Table of the House, and that the following appointments had been made on his (Mr. Speaker's) nomination:-

Mr. C. Gavan Duffy to be Clerk of the House;

Mr. W. A. Gale to be Clerk Assistant, in the place of Mr. C. B. Boydell, transferred to the Senate.

He did not propose, at present, to fill the position of Second Clerk Assistant, as he desired to try if the work could be efficiently performed with only two Clerks.

- 3. Postponement of Orders of the Day.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day Nos. 1 to 6 inclusive be postponed until after the consideration of Order of the Day No. 7.
- 4. Defence Bill.—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—Sir John Forrest moved, That this Bill be now read a second time. Mr. Reid moved, That the debate be now adjourned.

Question—That the debate be now adjourned—put and resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered—That the debate be adjourned until Tuesday, 23rd July instant.

- 5. Supply.—The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.
  - Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Chanter reported that the Committee had come to a certain
  - On the motion of Sir George Turner the House ordered that the Standing Orders be suspended in order to enable all steps to be taken to obtain Supply, and to pass a Supply Bill through all its stages without delay.

Mr. Chanter also acquainted the House that he was directed to ask, That the Committee may have

Resolved-That the House will, to-morrow, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

6. Supply.—Mr. Chanter reported from the Committee of Supply a certain resolution, which was read, and is as follows:-

Resolved—That a sum not exceeding One million ten thousand seven hundred and thirtytwo pounds be granted to His Majesty for or towards defraying the service for the year ending 30th June, 1902.

And the said resolution was adopted by the House.

7. Ways and Means.—The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Ways and Means

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Chanter reported that the Committee had come to a certain resolution.

On the motion of Sir George Turner the House ordered the Report to be considered this day.

Mr. Chanter also acquainted the House that he was directed to ask, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved-That the House will, to-morrow, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

8. Ways and Means.—Mr. Chanter reported from the Committee of Ways and Means a certain resolution, which was read, and is as follows:-

Resolved—That towards making good the Supply granted to His Majesty for the service of the year ending 30th June, 1902, the sum of One million ten thousand seven hundred and thirty-two pounds be granted out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund.

And the said resolution was adopted by the House.

Ordered—That Sir George Turner do prepare and bring in a Bill to carry out the foregoing resolution.

9. Consolidated Revenue Bill (No. 3).—Sir George Turner then brought up a Bill intituled "A Bill to grant and apply out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund the sum of One million ten thousand seven hundred and thirty-two pounds to the service of the year ending the thirtieth day of June One thousand nine hundred and two," and moved, That it be now read a first time.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a first time.

Sir George Turner moved, That this Bill be now read a second time. Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a second time.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Chanter reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill and agreed to the same without amendment.

On the motion of Sir George Turner the House adopted the Report.

Bill read a third time.

- 10. Postponement of Orders of the Day.—Ordered—That the consideration of Order of the Day No. 3 be postponed until Tuesday next, and the consideration of Orders of the Day Nos. 4 and 5 be postponed until after Order of the Day No. 6.
- 11. AUDIT BILL.—The Order of the Day for the further consideration of this Bill in Committee of the whole House having been read-Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Chanter reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill and agreed to the same with amendments.

Ordered—That the Report be taken into consideration on Tuesday next.

- 12. Members Present.—All Members present except—The Minister of Home Affairs (The Honorable Sir William Lyne, K.C.M.G.), The Honorable Sir Philip Fysh, K.C.M.G., and Mr. Batchelor, Sir Langdon Bonython, Messrs. Brown, Cameron, R. Edwards, Fowler, Glynn, W. H. Groom, Hughes, Kennedy, Knox, Macdonald-Paterson, F. E. McLean, Paterson, Sawers, Bruce Smith, V. L. Solomon, and Spence.
- 13. ADJOURNMENT.—Mr. Barton moved, That the House do now adjourn. Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

And then the House, at twenty-four minutes past ten o'clock p.m., adjourned until to-morrow at halfpast two o'clock p.m.

> C. GAVAN DUFFY, Clerk of the House of Representatives.