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THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH.

No. 53.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

WEDNESDAY, 21ST AUGUST, 1901.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair, and read Prayers.
2. PETITIONS.—Petitions, praying that the House will pass clauses 54 and 55 of the Post and Telegraph Bill, which will withhold postal facilities for promoting lotteries, fortune-telling, and other unlawful pursuits, were presented—
 - By Mr. Chanter—
From certain residents of Tatalia.
 - By Mr. Crouch—
From certain adherents of the Primitive Methodist Church, Chilwell, Geelong.
From certain members of Wesleyan Church, Werribee.
From certain adherents of the Primitive Methodist Church, Leopold, Geelong.
From certain residents of Geelong connected with Free Presbyterian Church, and others.
From certain adherents of the Primitive Methodist Church, Pakington-street, Geelong West.
 - By Mr. Kennedy—
From certain residents of Goorambat and elsewhere attending the Wesleyan Church.
From certain residents of Benalla attending the Methodist Church.
From certain residents of Nathalia.
 - By Mr. Knox—
From certain adherents of the Kew Independent Church.
From certain members and adherents of the Prahran Presbyterian Church.
From certain residents of Armadale and Malvern.
 - By Mr. McColl—
From certain residents of Echuca and neighbourhood.
From certain residents of Turrumbarry.
 - By Sir John Quick (for Mr. Isaacs)—
From certain residents of Bright attending the Wesleyan Church.
From certain residents of Wandiligong.
 - By Mr. Ronald (for Mr. Higgins)—
From certain residents of Parkville and Royal Park.
From certain residents of Fitzroy and Collingwood attending the Bible Christian Church.
From certain attendants of the Presbyterian Church, Michael-street, North Fitzroy, Victoria.

Petitions severally received.
3. POST AND TELEGRAPH 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 made progress in the Bill, and 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.

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4. ADJOURNMENT.—Mr. Barton moved, That the House do now adjourn.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

MEMBERS PRESENT.—All Members were present except—Messrs. Ewing, Glynn, Hughes, Macdonald Paterson, Bruce Smith, and Spence.

C. GAVAN DUFFY,

Clerk of the House of Representatives.