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THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH.

No. 75.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

TUESDAY, 8TH OCTOBER, 1901.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair, and read Prayers.
2. PETITIONS.—Mr. Chanter presented a Petition from certain electors of the Commonwealth, praying that the House will sanction a federal project for the improvement of the navigability and conservation of the waters of the Rivers Murray and Darling, together constituting channels for Inter-State commerce.
Petition received and read.
Mr. Chanter presented a similar Petition from certain electors of the Commonwealth.
Petition received.
3. MESSAGE FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL.—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor-General was presented by Sir George Turner, and the same was read by Mr. Speaker :—
HOPETOUN,
Governor-General. *Message No. 22.*
In accordance with the requirements of section 56 of The Constitution of the Commonwealth of Australia the Governor-General transmits to the House of Representatives Estimates of Revenue and Expenditure for the Year ending the thirtieth day of June, One thousand nine hundred and two, and Estimates of Expenditure for Arrears for the period ended thirtieth day of June, One thousand nine hundred and one, and recommends an Appropriation of the Consolidated Revenue Fund accordingly.
Melbourne, 8th October, 1901.
Ordered to lie on the Table, and, together with the accompanying Estimates, to be printed and referred to the Committee of Supply this day.
4. MESSAGE FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL.—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor-General was presented by Sir George Turner, and the same was read by Mr. Speaker :—
HOPETOUN,
Governor-General. *Message No. 21.*
In accordance with the requirements of section 56 of The Constitution of the Commonwealth of Australia, the Governor-General recommends that an Appropriation be made out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund to the service of the Year ending the thirtieth day of June, One thousand nine hundred and two.
Melbourne, 7th October, 1901.
Ordered to lie on the Table, and to be taken into consideration in Committee of Supply this day.

8th October, 1901.

5. MESSAGES FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL—ASSENT TO BILLS.—The following Messages from His Excellency the Governor-General were presented by Mr. Kingston, and the same were read by Mr. Speaker :—

HOPETOUN,

*Governor-General.**Message No. 18.*

A Bill intituled "*An Act relating to Distillation,*" as finally passed by the Senate and the House of Representatives of the Commonwealth, having been presented to the Governor-General for the Royal Assent, His Excellency has, in the name of His Majesty, assented to the said Act.

Government House,
Melbourne, 5th October, 1901.

HOPETOUN,

*Governor-General.**Message No. 19.*

A Bill intituled "*An Act relating to Excise on Beer,*" as finally passed by the Senate and the House of Representatives of the Commonwealth, having been presented to the Governor-General for the Royal Assent, His Excellency has, in the name of His Majesty, assented to the said Act.

Government House,
Melbourne, 5th October, 1901.

HOPETOUN,

*Governor-General.**Message No. 20.*

A Bill intituled "*An Act relating to Excise,*" as finally passed by the Senate and the House of Representatives of the Commonwealth, having been presented to the Governor-General for the Royal Assent, His Excellency has, in the name of His Majesty, assented to the said Act.

Government House,
Melbourne, 5th October, 1901.

6. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered, That Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 1 and 2, be postponed until after the consideration of Order of the Day No. 3.
7. IMMIGRATION RESTRICTION BILL.—The Order of the Day for the third reading of this Bill having been read—
Mr. Barton moved, That the Bill be now read a third time.
Debate ensued.
Mr. Wilks moved, That the debate be now adjourned.
Question—That the debate be now adjourned—put and resolved in the affirmative.
Ordered—That the resumption of the debate be made an Order of the Day for this day.
8. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDER OF THE DAY.—Ordered, That Order of the Day, Government Business, No. 1, be made an Order of the Day for to-morrow.
9. 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 made progress 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.
10. ADJOURNMENT.—Mr. Barton moved, That the House do now adjourn.
Debate ensued.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

MEMBERS PRESENT.—All Members were present except—Messrs. Brown, Cameron, Clarke, Conroy, Ewing, Hughes, Kennedy, Manifold, Piesse, and Spence.

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