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THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH.

No. 24.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

WEDNESDAY, 8TH JULY, 1903.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair, and read Prayers.
2. PRINTING COMMITTEE—FOURTH REPORT FROM.—Sir John Quick, Chairman, brought up the Fourth Report from the Printing Committee.
The Report was read by the Clerk, and is as follows:—

REPORT.

The Printing Committee have the honour to report that they have dealt with all the Papers laid on the Table of the House since the last sitting of the Committee, and beg to recommend that the following Papers be printed:—

Presented Paper.—Proposed Transcontinental Railway from Kalgoorlie to Port Augusta—Reports of Engineers-in-Chief with reference to.

Presented Paper.—Eastern Extension Company—Correspondence and Papers relating to Agreements between the States of New South Wales, South Australia, Western Australia, and Tasmania, and the Eastern Extension Company, and relating to an Agreement between the Government of the Commonwealth and the said Company.

Presented Paper.—Mail Contracts—Correspondence relating to Contracts for the Carriage of Mails between England and Australia, *via* Suez.

Presented Paper.—Electoral Act 1902—Report of the Commissioner (Mr. W. R. Boothby) appointed to distribute the State of South Australia into Divisions, together with a Map showing the Names and Boundaries of each proposed Division.

In connexion with this Paper the Committee recommend that the technical description of the boundaries be not printed.

JOHN QUICK,
Chairman.

House of Representatives,
Committee Room, 8th July, 1903.

Sir John Quick moved, by leave, That the Report be agreed to.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

3. PAPERS.—Sir William Lyne presented, pursuant to the direction of an Act of Parliament—
Public Service Act 1902—
Amendment of Regulation 145, in regard to Examinations held under section 21 (6).
Amendment of Regulation 155, respecting Travelling Allowances to certain Officers.
4. SENATE ELECTIONS BILL.—The Order of the Day for the third reading of this Bill having been read—Sir William Lyne moved, That the Bill be now read a third time.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a third time.

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5. JUDICIARY BILL.—The Order of the Day for the third reading of this Bill having been read—Mr. Deakin moved, That the Bill be now read a third time.

Debate ensued.

Question—put.

The House divided—

Ayes, 33.

Mr. Bamford,	Mr. Mauger,
Sir Edmund Barton,	Sir Malcolm
Sir Langdon	McEacharn,
Bonython,	Mr. O'Malley,
Mr. Chanter,	Mr. Page,
Mr. Hume Cook,	Mr. Phillips,
Mr. Crouch,	Mr. Reid,
Mr. Cruickshank,	Mr. Ronald,
Mr. Deakin,	Mr. Bruce Smith,
Mr. R. Edwards,	Mr. V. L. Solomon,
Mr. Ewing,	Mr. Spence,
Mr. Fisher,	Mr. Watkins,
Sir John Forrest,	Mr. Watson,
Mr. Fowler,	Mr. Wilkinson.
Mr. Fuller,	
Mr. Isaacs,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Kirwan,	
Sir William Lyne,	Mr. Chapman,
Mr. Mahon,	Mr. Clarke.

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Mr. Brown,	Mr. Paterson,
Mr. Joseph Cook,	Mr. Poynton,
Mr. Glynn,	Sir John Quick,
Mr. Hartnoll,	Mr. Skene,
Mr. Higgins,	Mr. Thomas,
Mr. Hughes,	Mr. Tudor,
Mr. Kennedy,	Mr. Willis.
Mr. Knox,	
Mr. Manifold,	
Mr. McCay,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. McColl,	Mr. Batchelor,
Mr. A. McLean,	Mr. Salmon.

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a third time.

6. HIGH COURT PROCEDURE BILL.—The Order of the Day for the third reading of this Bill having been read—Mr. Deakin moved, That the Bill be now read a third time.

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

7. NAVAL AGREEMENT BILL.—The Order of the Day for the resumption of the debate on the question, That the Bill be now read a second time, having been read—

Debate resumed.

Sir John Quick addressing the House, and not having concluded his speech, the House ordered that he have leave to continue his speech when the debate is resumed.

Ordered—That the debate be now adjourned, and that the resumption of the debate be made an Order of the Day for to-morrow.

8. ADJOURNMENT.—Sir Edmund 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 half-past two o'clock p.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT.—All Members were present except—Sir Edward Braddon, Mr. Cameron, Mr. Conroy, Mr. Macdonald-Paterson, Mr. F. E. McLean, Sir William McMillan, and Mr. Sawers.

C. GAVAN DUFFY,
Clerk of the House of Representatives