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PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH.

No. 30.

PROCEEDINGS VOTES AND

OF THE .

REPRESENTATIVES. HOUSE OF

WEDNESDAY, 22ND JULY, 1903.

- 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 New South Wales praying that, in view of the recent drought and the consequent emigration of many workmen, speedy provision may be made by the House for the passage of an Iron Bonus Bill, which will give substantial encouragement to private enterprise in developing the iron industry.
 - Mr. Crouch presented a similar Petition from certain electors of New South Wales. Petitions severally received.
- 3. PAPERS.—Sir Edmund Barton presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor-General—

Federal Capital—Evidence given before the Royal Commission on Sites for the Seat of Government of the Commonwealth.

Transcontinental Railway from Kalgoorlie to Port Augusta-Correspondence regarding the strategical importance of the proposed railway.

Severally ordered to lie on the Table.

4. 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, and on the following amendment, viz.:—That the word "now" be omitted from, and that the words "this day six months" be added to, the question, having been read-

Debate resumed.

Mr. Knox,

Question—That the word "now" proposed to be omitted stand part of the question—put.

The House divided-

Sir Edmund Barton, Sir Langdon Mr. Manifold, Sir Malcolm Bonython, McEacharn,
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Mr. Cameron, Mr. A. McLean,
Mr. Chanter, Mr. F. E. McLean,
Mr. Clarke, Sir William
Mr. Conroy, McMillan,
Mr. Joseph Cook, Mr. Phillips,
Mr. Winter Cooke, Sir John Quick,
Mr. Cruickshank, Mr. Reid,
Mr. Deakin, Mr. Salmon,
Mr. G. B. Edwards, Mr. Skene,
Mr. Ewing, Mr. Sydney Smith,
Sir John Forrest, Mr. E. Solomon,
Mr. Fuller, Mr. V. L. Solomon,
Sir Philip Fysh, Mr. Thomson,
Mr. A. C. Groom, Sir George Turner,
Mr. Harper, Mr. Willis.
Mr. Hartnoll,
Mr Teaner
Mr. Kennedy,
Mr. Kingston, Mr. Chapman,

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Mr. Wilks.

Noes, 22.

Mr. Bamford,	Mr. Page,
Mr. Batchelor,	Mr. Paterson,
Mr. Brown,	Mr. Ronald,
Mr. Hume Cook,	Mr. Spence,
Mr. Crouch,	Mr. Thomas,
Mr. Fisher,	Mr. Tudor,
Mr. L. E. Groom,	Mr. Watson,
Mr. Higgins,	Mr. Wilkinson.
Mr. Hughes,	
Mr. Mahon,	Tellers.
Mr. Mauger,	Mr. Glynn,
Mr. O'Malley,	Mr. McDonald.
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22nd July, 1903.

Question—That the Bill be now read a second time—put. The House divided—

Ayes, 38.		Noes, 24.		
	Sir Edmund Barton,	Sir Malcolm	Mr. Batchelor,	Mr. Page,
	Sir Langdon	McEacharn,	Mr. Brown,	Mr. Paterson,
	Bonython,	Mr. A. McLean,	Mr. Clarke,	Mr. Ronald,
	Mr. Cameron,	Mr. F. E. McLean,	Mr. Hume Cook,	Mr. Spence,
	Mr. Chanter,	Sir William	Mr. Crouch,	Mr. Thomas,
	Mr. Chapman,	McMillan,	Mr. Fisher,	Mr. Tudor,
	Mr. Conroy,	Mr. Phillips,	Mr. Glynn,	Mr. Watson,
	Mr. Joseph Cook,	Sir John Quick,	Mr. L. E. Groom,	Mr. Wilkinson.
	Mr. Winter Cooke,	Mr. Reid,	Mr. Higgins,	
	Mr. Cruickshank,	Mr. Skene,	Mr. Hughes,	
	Mr. Deakin,	Mr. Sydney Smith,	Mr. Kennedy,	$\it Tellers.$
	Mr. Ewing,	Mr. E. Solomon,	Mr. Mahon,	
	Sir John Forrest,	Mr. V. L. Solomon,	Mr. McDonald,	Mr. Bamford,
	Mr. Fuller,	Mr. Thomson,	Mr. O'Malley,	Mr. Mauger.
	Sir Philip Fysh,	Sir George Turner,	•	- 0
	Mr. A. C. Groom,	Mr. Wilks,		
	Mr. Harper,	Mr. Willis.		
	Mr. Hartnoll,			
	Mr. Isaacs,	Tellers.	•	
	Mr. Kingston,	1 eners.	-	
	Mr. Knox,	Mr. G. B. Edwards,		
	Mr. Manifold.	Mr. Salmon.	}	

And so it was 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 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.

- 5. Error in Division List.—Mr. Speaker informed the House that, in the division which took place on the second reading of the Naval Agreement Bill, the Tellers for the Ayes inadvertently omitted to record the names of the honorable Member for Corangamite (Mr. Manifold), and of the honorable Member for Werriwa (Mr. Conroy), and that he would direct the Clerk to correct the Division List accordingly.
- 6. Adjournment.—Sir Edmund Barton moved, That the House do now adjourn. Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

And then the House, at twenty 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 except—Sir William Lyne, Mr. Macdonald-Paterson, Mr. McCay, Mr. McColl, Mr. Sawers, Mr. Bruce Smith, and Mr. Watkins.

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