

1903.

THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH.

No. 55.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

THURSDAY, 3RD SEPTEMBER, 1903.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair, and read Prayers.
2. PETITIONS.—Mr. Tudor presented a Petition from William T. Reay and others, styling themselves respectively President and executive officers of the National Anti-Sweating League of Victoria, praying that no time limit as to its operation be inserted in the Conciliation and Arbitration Bill.
Petition received and read.
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.
Petitions, praying that the petitioners may be included under the provisions of the Conciliation and Arbitration Bill, were presented as under :—
By Mr. Manifold—
From certain electors of Victoria, employed in the Railway Department.
By Sir John Quick—
From certain electors of Victoria, employed in the Railway Department.
By Mr. Tudor—
From certain electors of Victoria, employed in the Railway Department (three Petitions).
Petitions severally received.
3. ELECTORAL DIVISIONS 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.
Debate ensued.
Mr. Wilks moved, as an amendment, that the word “now” be omitted from, and that the words “this day six months” be added to, the question.
Debate continued.
Question—That the word proposed to be omitted stand part of the question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
Question—That the Bill be now read a third time—put.

3rd and 4th September, 1903.

And the House continuing to sit till after midnight—

FRIDAY, 4TH SEPTEMBER, 1903.

The House divided—

Ayes, 28.

Noes, 11.

Mr. Bamford,	Mr. Page,
Sir Edmund Barton,	Mr. Phillips,
Mr. Chanter,	Sir John Quick,
Mr. Hume Cook,	Mr. Ronald,
Sir John Forrest,	Mr. Salmon,
Mr. Fowler,	Mr. Sawers,
Mr. L. E. Groom,	Mr. Spence,
Mr. Isaacs,	Mr. Thomas,
Mr. Kennedy,	Mr. Watkins,
Sir William Lyne,	Mr. Watson,
Mr. Mahon,	Mr. Wilkinson.
Mr. Manifold,	
Mr. Mauger,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. McCay,	
Sir Malcolm	Mr. Chapman,
McEacharn,	Mr. McDonald.

Mr. Brown,	Mr. Paterson,
Mr. Winter Cooke,	Mr. Thomson,
Mr. G. B. Edwards,	Mr. Willis.
Mr. Fuller,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Kirwan,	
Sir William	Mr. Conroy,
McMillan,	Mr. Joseph Cook.

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

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

Debate ensued.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

And then the House, at five minutes past twelve o'clock midnight, adjourned until this day at half-past ten o'clock a.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT.—All Members were present except—Sir Edward Braddon*, Mr. Clarke, Mr. Ewing, Mr. A. C. Groom, Mr. Harper, Mr. F. E. McLean, and Mr. Bruce Smith.

* On leave.

C. GAVAN DUFFY,

Clerk of the House of Representatives.