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THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA, CANBERRA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

REPRESENTATIVES. HOUSE ()F

No. 85.

TUESDAY, 5TH AUGUST, 1930.

1. The House met, at half-past two o'clock p.m., pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker (the Honorable Norman J. O. Makin) took the Chair, and offered Prayers.

2. PAPERS.- The following Papers were presented, pursuant to Statute-

Australian Soldiers' Repatriation Act-War Pensions Entitlement Appeal Tribunal--Report for year 1929-30.

Invalid and Old-age Pensions Act--Statement for 1929-30.

New Guinea Act-Ordinance of 1930-No. 15-Testator's Family Maintenance.

3. MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE. -- CONCILIATION AND ARBITRATION BILL (1930). -- Mr. Speaker announced the receipt of the following Message from the Senate :---

MR. SPEAKER.

Message No. 42.

The Senate returns to the House of Representatives the Bill for "An Act to amend the Commonwealth Conciliation and Arbitration Act 1904-1928," and acquaints the House that the Senate has agreed to the Bill with the Amendments indicated by the annexed Schedule, in which Amendments the Senate requests the concurrence of the House of Representatives.

> WALTER KINGSMILL, President.

The Senate,

Canberra, 5th August, 1930.

Ordered-That the foregoing Message be taken into consideration, in Committee of the whole House, at a later hour this day.

4. PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE -REFERENCE OF WORK -ESTABLISHMENT OF TELEPHONIC COMMUNICATION BETWEEN THE MAINLAND (VICTORIA) AND TASMANIA.- Mr. Beasley (Honorary Minister) for Mr. Lyons (Minister for Works and Railways) moved, pursuant to notice, That, in accordance with the provisions of the *Commonwealth Public Works Committee Act* 1913-1921, the following proposed work be referred to the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Public Works for investigation and report :- Establishment of Telephonic Communication between the Mainland (Victoria) and Tasmania.

Question-put and passed.

5. SALES TAX ASSESSMENT BILL (No. 1) .- The Order of the Day having been read for the resumption of the debate on the question, That the Bill be now read a second time-Debate resumed.

The House continuing to sit until after midnight-

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Debate continued.

Mr. Prowse moved, That the debate be now adjourned.

Question---That the debate be now adjourned---put and passed.

Ordered-That the resumption of the debate be made an Order of the Day for the next sitting.

- 6. ADJOURNMENT.-Mr. Scullin (Prime Minister) moved, That the House do now adjourn. Question-put and passed.
- And then the House, at five minutes past twelve o'clock in the morning, adjourned until this day, at half-past two o'clock p.m.
- MEMBERS PRESENT .-- All Members were present (at some time during the sitting) except-Mr. Bell, Mr. Brennan, Mr. Coleman*, Mr. Crouch, Mr. Roland Green, Mr. Guy, Mr. Holloway, Mr. Mathews, Mr. McNeill, Mr. Theodore, and Mr. Thompson.

• On leave.

Clerk of the House of Representatives.

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E. W. PARKES.

Debate ensued.