

1904.

THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH.

No. 26.**VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS**

OF THE

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

TUESDAY, 31ST MAY, 1904.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair, and read Prayers.
2. PAPER.—The following Paper was laid upon the Table by the Clerk :—
General Officer Commanding and State Commandants—Travelling Expenses of.—Return (as far as relates to General Officer Commanding) to an Order of the House dated 26th May, 1904.
3. COMMONWEALTH CONCILIATION AND ARBITRATION BILL.—The Order of the Day having been read for the further consideration of this Bill in Committee of the whole House—Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole.
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Salmon 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, this day, again resolve itself into the said Committee.
4. RETURN TO WRIT (RIVERINA DIVISION).—Mr. Speaker announced that he had received a Return to the Writ which he had issued on the 19th April last, for the election of a Member to serve for the Electoral Division of Riverina, in the State of New South Wales, and that by the indorsement on the Writ it appeared that John Moore Chanter had been elected in pursuance of the said Writ.
5. MEMBER SWORN.—John Moore Chanter, Esquire, was introduced, and made and subscribed the oath required by law.
6. COMMONWEALTH CONCILIATION AND ARBITRATION BILL.—The Order of the Day having been read for the further consideration of this Bill in Committee of the whole House—Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole.
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Salmon 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.
7. PAPER.—Mr. Batchelor presented, pursuant to the direction of an Act of Parliament—
Public Service Act 1902.—Amendment of Regulation No. 172.—Life Assurance (dated 4th May, 1904).
8. ADJOURNMENT.—Mr. Watson moved, That the House do now adjourn.
Debate ensued.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

And then the House at ten 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—Mr. Cameron, Mr. Conroy, Mr. Joseph Cook, Mr. Kennedy, Mr. Kingston, Mr. Phillips, Mr. Reid, Mr. Bruce Smith, Sir George Turner, Mr. Watkins, and Mr. Willis.

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