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 THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH.

No. 11.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

 HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

THURSDAY, 3RD AUGUST, 1905.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair, and read Prayers.
2. ADJOURNMENT—MOTION FOR PURPOSE OF DISCUSSION.—Mr. Mauger rose in his place, and said that he proposed to move the adjournment of the House for the purpose of discussing a definite matter of urgent public importance, namely, "The present position of the Tariff Commission."
Mr. Speaker thereupon called upon those Members who approved of the proposed discussion to rise in their places, and more than the necessary number of Members having risen accordingly—
Mr. Mauger moved, That the House do now adjourn.
Debate ensued.
Mr. Deakin, addressing the House, and not having, in compliance with Standing Order No. 39, concluded his speech within fifteen minutes, the honorable Member was, by leave of the House, allowed to continue his speech.
Mr. Reid, addressing the House, and not having, in compliance with Standing Order No. 39, concluded his speech within fifteen minutes, the honorable Member was, by leave of the House, allowed to continue his speech.
It being two hours after the time fixed for the meeting of the House, the debate was interrupted in accordance with Standing Order No. 119, and General Business was called on.
3. HOME RULE FOR IRELAND.—Mr. Higgins moved, pursuant to notice, That an humble Address be presented to His Majesty as follows:—

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR MAJESTY :

We, Your Majesty's dutiful and loyal subjects, the Members of the House of Representatives, in Parliament assembled, desire most earnestly, in our name and on behalf of the people whom we represent, to express our unswerving loyalty and devotion to Your Majesty's person and Government.

We have observed with feelings of profound satisfaction the evidence afforded by recent legislation and recent debates in the Houses of Parliament of the United Kingdom, of a sincere desire now to deal justly with Ireland; and in particular we congratulate the people of the United Kingdom on the remarkable Act directed towards the settlement of the land question, and on the concession to the people of Ireland of a measure of Local Government for municipal purposes. But the sad history of Ireland since the Act of Union shows that no British Parliament can understand or effectively deal with the economic and social conditions of Ireland.

Enjoying and appreciating as we do the blessings of Home Rule here, we would humbly express the hope that a just measure of Home Rule may be granted to the people of Ireland. They ask for it through their representatives—never has request more clear, consistent, and continuous been made by any nation. As subjects of Your Majesty we are interested in the peace and contentment of all parts of the Empire, and we desire to see this long-standing grievance at the very heart of the Empire removed. It is our desire for the solidarity and permanence of the Empire, as a Power making for peace and civilization, that must be our excuse for submitting to Your Majesty this respectful petition.

Debate ensued.

Mr. Crouch, 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 Thursday, 17th instant.

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4. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDER OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Order of the Day No. 1 be postponed until to-morrow.
5. TRADE MARKS BILL.—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.
Mr. Wilson, 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.
6. PAPERS.—Mr. Chapman presented, pursuant to the direction of an Act of Parliament—
Post and Telegraph Act 1901—Regulations—
Amendments of and Additions to Regulations—Statutory Rules, 1904, No. 81.
Telegrams beyond the Commonwealth—Statutory Rules, 1905, No. 36.
Burglar Alarms—Statutory Rules, 1905, No. 37.
Payment of Postage by the Receiver—Statutory Rules, 1905, No. 38.
Post Cards, Printed Papers, General Postal Regulations, Telegraphic Regulations—Statutory Rules, 1905, No. 40.
Public Telegraph or Telephone Lines under guarantee—Statutory Rules, 1905, No. 44.
7. ADJOURNMENT.—Mr. Isaacs moved, That the House do now adjourn.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

And then the House, at thirty-three minutes past ten o'clock p.m., adjourned until to-morrow at half-past ten o'clock a.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT.—All Members were present except—Mr. Brown, Mr. Hughes, Mr. Kingston, Mr. Mahon, Mr. McColl, Mr. McLean, Mr. Spence, and Mr. Dugald Thomson.

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