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THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH.

No. 24.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

FRIDAY, 25TH AUGUST, 1905.

- 1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair, and read Prayers.
- 2. Petition.—A Petition, praying that stringent prohibitory legislation, such as is in force in New Zealand, against the importation and use of opium for smoking, may be enacted, was presented as under:—

 By Mr. Johnson—

From A. E. Bellingham and other citizens of New South Wales, containing upwards of 60,600 signatures.

Petition received and read.

- 3. Paper.—Mr. Groom presented, pursuant to the direction of an Act of Parliament—
 Property for Public Purposes Acquisition Act—Land acquired under, at Murrin Murrin,
 Western Australia, for a site for a Post-office.
- 4. Manufactures Encouragement Bill (No. 2).—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. Conroy moved, That the debate be now adjourned.

Question—That the debate be now adjourned—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

5. Message from the Senate.—Life Assurance Companies Bill.—Mr. Speaker announced the receipt of the following Message from the Senate:—

Message No. 8.

MR. SPEAKER,

The Senate has agreed to the Bill intituled "A Bill for an Act relating to Assurance on the Lives of Children by Life Assurance Companies or Societies," with the amendment indicated in the annexed Schedule, in which amendment the Senate desires the concurrence of the House of Representatives.

R. C. BAKER,

President.

The Senate,

Melbourne, 25th August, 1905.

Ordered—That the foregoing Message be taken into consideration forthwith 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 agreed to the amendment, which is as follows:—

Page 3, clause 6, omit sub-clause (2), insert at end of sub-clause (1)—"Penalty: Forty-five pounds."

On the motion of Mr. Groom, the House adopted the Report.

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- 6. Postponement of Business.—Ordered—That the consideration of the remaining Government Business be postponed until Tuesday next; that Order of the Day, General Business, No. 1, be made an Order of the Day for Thursday, 21st September next; and that Order of the Day, General Business, No. 2, be made an Order of the Day for Thursday, 28th September next.
- 7. Adjournment.—Mr. Deakin moved, That the House do now adjourn. Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

And then the House, at six minutes past four o'clock p.m., adjourned until Tuesday next at half-past two o'clock p.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT.—All Members were present except—Mr. Cameron, Mr. Glynn, Mr. Hughes, Mr. Isaacs, Mr. Kennedy, Mr. Kingston*, Mr. McColl*, Mr. Phillips, Sir John Quick, Mr. Reid, Mr. Bruce Smith, Sir George Turner, Mr. Watson, Mr. Webster, and Mr. Wilson

* On leave.

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