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THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH.

No. 48.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

TUESDAY, 10TH OCTOBER, 1905.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair, and read Prayers.
2. PETITION.—A Petition, praying that the House will pass legislation to prohibit the importation of opium, except for medicinal purposes, was presented as under :—
By Mr. Knox—
From M. McLean, styling herself State President, and other officers, of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union.
Petition received and read.
3. SECRET COMMISSIONS 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 gone through the Bill and had agreed to the same without amendment.
On the motion of Mr. Isaacs the House adopted the Report.
Ordered—That the third reading be made an Order of the Day for to-morrow.
4. POSTPONEMENT OF BUSINESS.—Ordered—That the consideration of the remaining Orders of the Day and Notice of Motion No. 1 be postponed until after the consideration of Notice of Motion No. 2.
5. QUEEN VICTORIA MEMORIAL.—Mr. Deakin moved, pursuant to notice—
(1) That, in the opinion of this House, the Commonwealth of Australia should join with Great Britain, Canada, New Zealand, the Cape Colony, Natal, Newfoundland, and other parts of the Empire, in the erection of a Memorial in honour of the personal worth and beneficent reign of the late Queen Victoria.
(2) That this House is prepared to approve of a grant of £25,000 for that purpose.
(3) That the foregoing resolutions be transmitted by Address to His Excellency the Governor-General.
Debate ensued.
Mr. McDonald moved, That the debate be now adjourned.
And, after debate—
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 to-morrow.
6. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Nos. 2 to 6 inclusive, be postponed until to-morrow.
7. SUPPLY.—The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair ; Mr. Salmon reported that the Committee had made progress, 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.

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8. ADJOURNMENT.—Mr. Deakin moved, That the House do now adjourn.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

And then the House at fourteen 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. Batchelor, Mr. Cameron, Mr. Conroy, Mr. Joseph Cook, Mr. Fowler, Mr. Frazer, Mr. Gibb, Mr. Kingston, Mr. McColl, Mr. Phillips, Mr. Poynton, Sir John Quick*, Mr. Reid, Sir George Turner, Mr. Willis, and Mr. Wilson.

* On leave.

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