THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH.

No. 63.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

FRIDAY, 3RD NOVEMBER, 1905.

- 1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair, and read Prayers.
- 2. Postponement of Notice of Motion.—Ordered, after debate, That the consideration of the Notice of Motion be postponed until after the consideration of the Orders of the Day, Government Business.
- 3. Supply Resolutions.—The Order of the Day having been read for the consideration of certain resolutions reported from the Committee of Supply—the said resolutions were read, and are as follow:—

ESTIMATES, 1905-6.

Resolved—That, including the several sums already voted in this present Session of Parliament for such services, there be granted to His Majesty to defray the charges for the year 1905-6 for the several services hereunder specified, sums not exceeding in each case the following amounts, viz.:—

I.	The Parliament	 	£30,176
11.	The Department of External Affairs	 	10,100
	The Attorney-General's Department	 	0 0 00
IV.	The Department of Home Affairs	 	173,351
v.	The Department of the Treasury	 	37,937
	Refunds of Revenue	 	80,000
	Advance to the Treasurer	 	200,000
VI.	The Department of Trade and Customs	 	269,620
VII.	The Department of Defence	 	589,981
	The Postmaster-General's Department	 	2,578,838

Sir John Forrest moved, That the resolutions be adopted.

Debate ensued.

Mr. Deakin 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 this day, after the consideration of the Notice of Motion.

- 4. Postponement of Orders of the Day.—Ordered—That the consideration of the remaining Orders of the Day, Government Business, be postponed until after the consideration of the Notice of Motion.
- 5. Special Adjournment.—Mr. Deakin moved, pursuant to notice, That the House, at its rising, adjourn until Tuesday next, at half-past two o'clock p.m., or such time thereafter as Mr. Speaker may take the Chair.

Debate ensued.

Question—put.

The House divided-

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Ayes, 32.								
Mr. Bamford,	Mr. McLean,							
Mr. Carpenter,	Mr. O'Malley,							
Mr. Chanter,:	Mr. Page,							
Mr. Chapman,	Mr. Ronald,							
Mr. Culpin,	Mr. Salmon,							
Mr. Deakin,	Mr. Skene,							
Mr. G. B. Edwards,	Mr. Storrer,							
Mr. Ewing,	Mr. David Thomson,							
Sir John Forrest,	Mr. Tudor,							
Mr. Frazer,	Mr. Watkins,							
Mr. Higgins,	Mr. Watson,							
Mr. Isaacs,	Mr. Webster,							
Mr. Knox,	Mr. Wilkinson.							
Mr. Lee,								
Mr. Mahon,	Tellers.							
Mr. Mauger,	Mr. Hume Cook,							
Mr. McDonald,	Mr. Crouch.							

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Mr. Fuller, Tellers.
Mr. Liddell,
Mr. Lonsdale, Mr. Conroy,
Mr. Sydney Smith. Mr. Kelly.

Mr. Joseph Cook,

6. Supply Resolutions.—The Order of the Day having been read for the resumption of the debate on the consideration of the following resolutions reported from the Committee of Supply:--

ESTIMATES, 1905-6.

Resolved-That, including the several sums already voted in this present Session of Parliament for such services, there be granted to His Majesty to defray the charges for the year 1905-6 for the several services hereunder specified, sums not exceeding in each case the following amounts, viz :-

			£	
T.	The Parliament		 30,176	
11.	The Department of External Affairs		 42,498	
	The Attorney-General's Department		 8,969	
IV.	The Department of Home Affairs		 173,351	
v.	The Department of the Treasury	• •		
	Refunds of Revenue	• •	 80,000	
	Advance to the Treasurer		 200,000	
VI.	The Department of Trade and Customs		 269,620	
VII.	The Department of Defence			
VIII.	The Postmaster-General's Department		 2,578,838	

Debate resumed.

Question-That the resolutions be adopted-put and resolved in the affirmative.

7. WAYS AND MEANS.—The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Ways and Means.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Salmon reported that the Committee had agreed to a certain

On the motion, by leave, of Sir John Forrest, the House ordered the Report to be taken into consideration this day.

Mr. Salmon also acquainted the House that he was directed to ask, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved-That the House will, on Tuesday next, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

8.5 Ways and Means Resolution.—The resolution reported from the Committee of Ways and Means was read, and is as follows:-

ESTIMATES, 1905-6.

Resolved—That towards making good the Supply granted to His Majesty for the services of the year 1905-6, a sum not exceeding Two million five hundred and sixty-nine thousand one hundred and fifty-one pounds be granted out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund.

And the said resolution was, on the motion of Sir John Forrest, adopted by the House. Ordered—That Sir John Forrest and Mr. Deakin do prepare and bring in a Bill to carry out the foregoing resolution.

9. Appropriation Bill 1905-6.—Sir John Forrest then brought up a Bill intituled "A Bill for an Act to grant and apply a sum out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund to the service of the year ending the thirtieth day of June One thousand nine hundred and six and to appropriate the supplies granted for such year in this Session of the Parliament," and moved, That it be now read a first time.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a first time.

- Ordered—That the second reading be made an Order of the Day for Tuesday next.
- 10. Message from His Excellency the Governor-General.—Sugar Bounty Bill (1905).—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor-General was presented, and the same was read by Mr. Speaker:—

NORTHCOTE,

Governor-General.

Message No. 17.

In accordance with the requirements of section 56 of The Constitution of the Commonwealth of Australia, the Governor-General recommends to the House of Representatives that an appropriation of revenue and moneys be made for the purposes of a Bill for an Act to provide for a Bounty to Growers of Sugar Cane and Beet.

Government House,

Melbourne, 2nd November, 1905.

Ordered—That the consideration of the foregoing Message in Committee of the whole House be made an Order of the Day for Tuesday next.

11. Papers.—Mr. Deakin presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor-General— Federal Capital Site—Correspondence between the Prime Minister and the Premier of New South Wales (25th October to 3rd November, 1905). Ordered to lie on the Table.

Mr. Ewing presented, pursuant to the direction of an Act of Parliament-

Defence Acts 1903-4—Military Forces.—Amendment of Financial and Allowance Regulations—Statutory Rules 1905, No. 69.

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12. Adjournment.—Mr. Deakin moved, That the House do now adjourn. Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

Members Present.—All Members were present except—Mr. Batchelor, Sir Langdon Bonython, Mr. Fowler, Mr. Glynn, Mr. Hughes, Mr. Hutchison, Mr. Kennedy, Mr. Kingston*, Sir William Lyne, Mr. McColl, Mr. Poynton, Sir John Quick, Mr. Reid, Mr. Bruce Smith, Mr. Spence, Mr. Thomas, Mr. Dugald Thomson, Sir George Turner*, Mr. Wilks, and Mr. Willis.

* On leave.

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