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THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH.

No. 111.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

TUESDAY, 7TH APRIL, 1908.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair, and read Prayers.
2. PAPER.—Mr. Hume Cook presented, pursuant to the direction of an Act of Parliament—
Lands Acquisition Act—Grant of Right of Carriage Way over portion of the Road of
Access to the Battery Site at Mount Nelson, Tasmania.
3. SUPPLY.—The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.

And the Committee continuing to sit till after midnight—

WEDNESDAY, 8TH APRIL, 1908.

- Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. McDonald reported that the Committee had agreed to certain Resolutions.
- Mr. McDonald also acquainted the House 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. SUSPENSION OF STANDING ORDERS.—Sir William Lyne moved, pursuant to notice, That the Standing Orders be suspended in order to allow the Report from the Committee of Supply to be adopted, and the Appropriation Bill 1907-8 to be passed through all its stages without delay.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
 5. SUPPLY RESOLUTIONS.—The Resolutions reported from the Committee of Supply were read, and are as follow :—

ESTIMATES, 1907-8.

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 1907-8, for the several services hereunder specified, sums not exceeding in each case the following amounts, viz. :—

I. The Parliament	£30,481
II. The Department of External Affairs	81,964
III. The Attorney-General's Department	14,289
IV. The Department of Home Affairs	234,036
V. The Department of the Treasury	44,457
Refunds of Revenue	120,000
Advance to the Treasurer	200,000
VI. The Department of Trade and Customs	307,858
VII. The Department of Defence	700,473
VIII. The Postmaster-General's Department	2,805,277

And the said Resolutions were, on the motion of Sir William Lyne, adopted by the House.

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

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

Mr. McDonald also acquainted the House 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.

7. WAYS AND MEANS RESOLUTION.—The Resolution reported from the Committee of Ways and Means was read, and is as follows:—

ESTIMATES, 1907-8.

Resolved—That towards making good the Supply granted to His Majesty for the services of the year 1907-8, a sum not exceeding Seven hundred and twenty-five thousand three hundred and ninety-six pounds be granted out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund.

And the said Resolution was, on the motion of Sir William Lyne, adopted by the House.

Ordered—That Sir William Lyne and Mr. Mauger do prepare and bring in a Bill to carry out the foregoing Resolution.

8. APPROPRIATION BILL 1907-8.—Sir William Lyne 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 eight 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.

Sir William Lyne moved, That the Bill be now read a second time.

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

Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. McDonald reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill and had agreed to the same without amendment.

On the motion of Sir William Lyne, the House adopted the Report.

Sir William Lyne moved, That the Bill be now read a third time.

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

9. ADJOURNMENT.—Sir William Lyne moved, That the House do now adjourn.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

And then the House, at twelve minutes past one o'clock in the morning, adjourned until this day at half-past two o'clock p.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT.—All Members were present (at some time during the sitting) except—Mr. Edwards, Mr. Fowler, Mr. Glynn, Mr. Groom, Mr. Hall, Mr. Hughes, Mr. Hans Irvine, Mr. Kingston, Mr. Livingston, Sir John Quick, Mr. Spence, Mr. John Thomson, Mr. Watkins, and Mr. Wilson.

C. GAVAN DUFFY,

Clerk of the House of Representatives.