

1908.

## THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH

No. 21.

## VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

## HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

THURSDAY, 22ND OCTOBER, 1908.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair, and read Prayers.
2. PETITION.—Mr. Sterrer presented a Petition from E. Beeton-Braham, styling herself President, and others, of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union of Tasmania, praying that the House will withdraw from the Defence Bill (1908) the clause providing for the regular military training of males over the age of twelve years.  
Petition received.
3. COLOURED LABOUR ON SHIPS DURING INDUSTRIAL DISTURBANCES.—Mr. Hughes moved, pursuant to notice, That the Contract Immigrants Act should be amended so as to prevent the employment of coloured or Asiatic labour upon or in connexion with ships in Commonwealth ports during the time of industrial disturbance.  
Debate ensued.  
Mr. Watson 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 next.
4. PUBLIC SERVICE [APPEALS] 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. Catts 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, 19th November next.
5. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDER OF THE DAY.—Ordered, That the consideration of Order of the Day, General Business, No. 2 be postponed until Thursday next.
6. SUPPLY.—The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.  
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. McDonald reported that a quorum of Members was not present in the Committee; whereupon Mr. Speaker counted the House, and a quorum of Members having been obtained, the House again resolved itself into the Committee.  
Mr. Speaker again resumed the Chair; Mr. McDonald 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.
7. 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 to eleven o'clock p.m., adjourned until to-morrow at half-past ten o'clock a.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT.—All Members were present (at some time during the sitting) except—Mr. Tilley Brown, Mr. Chapman, Mr. Foster, Mr. Harper, Mr. Livingston, and Mr. Salmon.

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