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THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH.

No. 38.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

FRIDAY, 27TH AUGUST, 1909.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair, and read Prayers.
2. **SUPPLY [WORKS ESTIMATES].**—The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.
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, at its next meeting, again resolve itself into the said Committee.
3. **SUSPENSION OF STANDING ORDERS.**—Sir John Forrest moved, by leave, That the Standing Orders be suspended in order to enable all steps to be taken to pass the Appropriation (Works and Buildings) Bill 1909–10 through all its stages without delay.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
4. **SUPPLY RESOLUTION.**—The resolution reported from the Committee of Supply was read, and is as follows:—

ADDITIONS, NEW WORKS, BUILDINGS, ETC., 1909–10.

Resolved—That there be granted to His Majesty to the service of the year 1909–10, for the purposes of Additions, New Works, Buildings, &c., a sum not exceeding £1,054,124.
And the said resolution was adopted by the House.

5. **POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.**—Ordered, That the consideration of Orders of the Day Nos. 2 to 14 inclusive be postponed until after the consideration of Order of the Day No. 15.
6. **WAYS AND MEANS [WORKS ESTIMATES].**—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, at its next meeting, 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:—

ADDITIONS, NEW WORKS, BUILDINGS, ETC., 1909–10.

Resolved—That towards making good the supply granted to His Majesty for Additions New Works, Buildings, &c., for the year 1909–10, a sum not exceeding One million fifty-four thousand one hundred and twenty-four pounds be granted out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund.

And the said resolution was adopted by the House.

Ordered—That Sir John Forrest and Mr. Glynn do prepare and bring in a Bill to carry out the foregoing resolution.

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8. APPROPRIATION (WORKS AND BUILDINGS) BILL 1909-10.—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 for the service of the year ending the thirtieth day of June One thousand nine hundred and ten for the purposes of Additions, New Works, Buildings, &c.*” and moved, That it be now read a first time.

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

Sir John Forrest moved, That the Bill be now read a second time.

Debate ensued.

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 John Forrest the House adopted the Report.

Sir John Forrest moved, That the Bill be now read a third time.

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

9. MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.—COINAGE BILL.—Mr. Speaker announced the receipt of the following Message from the Senate:—

MR. SPEAKER,

Message No. 10.

The Senate returns to the House of Representatives the Bill for “*An Act relating to Currency, Coinage, and Legal Tender*,” to which it has agreed with the amendments indicated in the annexed Schedule, in which amendments the Senate requests the concurrence of the House of Representatives.

A. J. GOULD,
President.

The Senate,

Melbourne, 27th August, 1909.

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

10. ADJOURNMENT.—Sir John Forrest moved, That the House do now adjourn.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

And then the House, at six minutes to five o'clock p.m., adjourned until Tuesday next at three o'clock p.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT.—All Members were present (at some time during the sitting) except—Mr. Archer, Mr. Catts, Mr. Chapman*, Mr. Fairbairn, Colonel Foxton*, Mr. Knox, Mr. Livingston, Mr. Thomas, Mr. Watson*, Mr. Webster, Mr. Wilks, and Mr. Willis.

* On leave.

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