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THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH

No. 45.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

THURSDAY, 9TH SEPTEMBER, 1909.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair, and read Prayers.
2. RETURN TO WRIT (WAKEFIELD DIVISION).—Mr. Speaker announced that he had received a Return to the Writ which he had issued on the 29th July last, for the election of a Member to serve for the Electoral Division of Wakefield, in the State of South Australia, and that by the indorsement on the Writ it appeared that Richard Witty Foster had been elected in pursuance of the said Writ.
MEMBER SWORN.—The Honorable Richard Witty Foster was introduced, and made and subscribed the Oath required by law.
4. PRIVILEGE.—INCLUDING IN "HANSARD" CERTAIN MATTER NOT DELIVERED IN HOUSE.—Mr. Frazer moved, as a question of privilege, That the action of Mr. Speaker in authorizing the inclusion in the *Hansard* report of the speech of the honorable Member for Ballaarat of certain matter which was not delivered in this House is not approved of.
Debate ensued.
Motion, by leave, withdrawn.
5. PAPERS.—Mr. Groom presented, pursuant to Statute—
Papua—Ordinance of 1909—Removal of Natives Ordinance 1907—Repeal.
The following Paper was laid upon the Table by the Clerk :—
General Post Office and Proposed Purchase of Markets, Sydney—Return to an Order of the House dated 11th August, 1909.
6. WIRELESS TELEGRAPHY AND SHIPPING.—The Order of the Day therefor having been read, Mr. Kelly moved, pursuant to notice, That this House is of opinion that wireless telegraphic stations should be immediately established, as found desirable, round the coasts of Australia, and that our merchant marine should be equipped with wireless installations as an up-to-date means (1) of gaining intelligence of the appearance in Australian waters of a hostile force, and (2) of saving life and property imperilled by accidents upon the sea.
Debate ensued.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
7. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered, That the consideration of Order of the Day, General Business, No. 2, be postponed until Thursday next, and that the consideration of the remaining Orders of the Day, General Business, be postponed until Thursday, 23rd instant.
8. PROFESSIONS—UNIFORM COMMONWEALTH LEGISLATION FOR.—Mr. Wilson moved, pursuant to notice, That it is desirable, for the better protection of the people, to have uniformity of legislation throughout the Commonwealth for the control and registration of all members of the medical, legal, and other professions.
Debate ensued.
Mr. Liddell 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, 30th instant.

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9. POSTPONEMENT OF NOTICES OF MOTION.—Ordered, That the consideration of Notices of Motion Nos. 2 and 3 be postponed until Thursday, 14th October next, and that the consideration of Notice of Motion No. 4 be postponed until Thursday, 23rd instant.
10. CONSTITUTION ALTERATION (FINANCE) BILL.—The Order of the Day having been read for the resumption of the debate on the following motion of Mr. Deakin :—That he have leave to bring in a Bill for an Act to alter the provisions of the Constitution relating to Finance—
Debate resumed.
Mr. Hughes 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 to-morrow.
11. ADJOURNMENT.—Mr. Joseph Cook moved, That the House do now adjourn.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

And then the House, at a quarter 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. Thomas Brown, Mr. Chapman, Colonel Foxton, Mr. Knox, Sir William Lyne, Mr. Reid, Mr. Roberts, and Mr. Watson.

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