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## THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH.

No. 49.

## VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

## HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

THURSDAY, 16TH SEPTEMBER, 1909.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair, and read Prayers.
2. PAPER.—Mr. Joseph Cook presented, pursuant to Statute—  
Defence Acts—Military Forces—Financial and Allowance Regulations Amended (Provisional)—  
Nos. 158, 158 (a)—Statutory Rules 1909, No. 101.
3. ADJOURNMENT—MOTION FOR PURPOSE OF DISCUSSION.—Mr. Watkins rose in his place, and said that he proposed to move the adjournment of the House for the purpose of discussing a definite matter of urgent public importance, namely, "The Administration of the Old-age Pensions Act."  
Mr. Speaker thereupon called upon those Members who approved of the proposed discussion to rise in their places, and more than the necessary number of Members having risen accordingly—  
Mr. Watkins moved, That the House do now adjourn.  
Debate ensued.  
It being two hours after the time fixed for the meeting of the House, the debate was interrupted in accordance with Standing Order No. 119, and the Orders of the Day were called on.
4. SUPPLY ["GRIEVANCE DAY"].—Pursuant to the provisions of Standing Order No. 241, the Order of the Day having been read for going into the Committee of Supply—  
Question proposed—That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair.  
Debate ensued.  
Mr. Joseph Cook moved—That the question be now put.  
A Point of Order having been raised, and Mr. Speaker having ruled that the Closure could be applied to the motion "That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair," Mr. Hughes took objection, in writing, to the ruling, and motion being made to dissent from the ruling—the debate thereon was forthwith adjourned to the next sitting day.  
Question—That the question be now put—put.  
The House divided—

Ayes, 30.

Noes, 17.

Mr. Archer	Mr. Kelly	Mr. Bamford	Mr. McDougall
Mr. Atkinson	Mr. Liddell	Mr. Thomas Brown	Mr. O'Malley
Mr. Bowden	Mr. McWilliams	Mr. Carr	Mr. Page
Mr. Joseph Cook	Mr. Palmer	Mr. Catts	Mr. Spence
Mr. Crouch	Sir John Quick	Mr. Chanter	Mr. Thomas
Mr. Edwards	Mr. Sinclair	Mr. Fisher	
Sir Thomas Ewing	Mr. Storrer	Mr. Frank J. Foster	
Sir John Forrest	Mr. Dugald Thomson	Mr. Hughes	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Fowler	Mr. John Thomson	Sir William Lyne	Mr. Frazer
Mr. Fuller	Mr. Willis	Mr. Mathews	Mr. Wilks
Sir Philip Fysh	Mr. Wilson		
Mr. Glynn	Mr. Wynne		
Mr. Groom			
Mr. Harper	<i>Tellers.</i>		
Mr. W. H. Irvine	Mr. Hume Cook		
Mr. Johnson	Mr. Sampson		

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

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And the question being accordingly put—That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair—  
The House divided—

Ayes, 18.

Mr. Bamford	Mr. McDonald
Mr. Thomas Brown	Mr. McDougall
Mr. Carr	Mr. O'Malley
Mr. Chanter	Mr. Page
Mr. Fisher	Mr. Spence
Mr. Frank J. Foster	Mr. Thomas
Mr. Frazer	
<b>Mr. Hughes</b>	<i>Tellers.</i>
Sir William Lyne	Mr. Catts
Mr. Maloney	Mr. Mathews

Noes, 31.

Mr. Archer	Mr. McWilliams
Mr. Atkinson	Mr. Palmer
Mr. Bowden	Sir John Quick
Mr. Joseph Cook	Mr. Sampson
Mr. Crouch	Mr. Sinclair
Mr. Edwards	Mr. Storrer
Sir Thomas Ewing	Mr. Dugald Thomson
Sir John Forrest	Mr. John Thomson
Mr. Fowler	Mr. Wilks
Mr. Fuller	Mr. Willis
Sir Philip Fysh	Mr. Wilson
Mr. Glynn	Mr. Wynne
Mr. Groom	
<b>Mr. Harper</b>	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. W. H. Irvine	Mr. Hume Cook
Mr. Johnson	Mr. Kelly
Mr. Liddell	

And so it passed in the negative.

Sir John Forrest moved—That the House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.  
Question—put.  
The House divided—

Ayes, 31.

Mr. Archer	Mr. Liddell
Mr. Atkinson	Mr. McWilliams
Mr. Bowden	Mr. Palmer
Mr. Joseph Cook	Sir John Quick
Mr. Coon	Mr. Sinclair
Mr. Crouch	Mr. Storrer
Mr. Edwards	Mr. Dugald Thomson
Sir Thomas Ewing	Mr. John Thomson
Sir John Forrest	Mr. Wilks
Mr. Fowler	Mr. Willis
Mr. Fuller	Mr. Wilson
Sir Philip Fysh	Mr. Wynne
Mr. Glynn	
<b>Mr. Harper</b>	<i>Tellers.</i>
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Mr. Johnson	Mr. Sampson
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Mr. Frazer	
<b>Mr. Hughes</b>	<i>Tellers.</i>
Sir William Lyne	Mr. Carr
Mr. Maloney	Mr. O'Malley

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

5. HIGH COMMISSIONER BILL.—The Order of the Day having been read for the further consideration of this Bill in Committee of the whole House—Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole.

And the Committee continuing to sit till after midnight—

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Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. McDonald reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill and had agreed to the same with an amendment.

Ordered—That the consideration of the Report be made an Order of the Day for the next sitting.

6. ADJOURNMENT.—Mr. Joseph Cook moved, That the House do now adjourn.  
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

And then the House, at five minutes past one o'clock in the morning, adjourned until this day 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. Deakin, Mr. Fairbairn, Mr. R. W. Foster, Colonel Foxton, Mr. Hall, Mr. Hedges, Mr. Hans Irvine, Mr. Knox, Mr. Livingston, Mr. Mahon, Mr. Poynton, Mr. Reid, Mr. Bruce Smith, and Mr. Watson.

\* On leave.

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