THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH.

No. 64.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

WEDNESDAY, 13TH OCTOBER, 1909.

- 1 The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair, and read Prayers.
- 2. PAPERS.—Mr. Groom presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor-General.—

 Language Report by Dr. Bull respecting the International Conference, held at Borgon 1

Leprosy—Report by Dr. Bull respecting the International Conference held at Bergen, Norway, 16th-19th August, 1909.

Mr. Fuller presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor-General--

Transcontinental Railway, Kalgoorlie to Port Augusta—Instructions to the Engineers-in-Chief in connexion with the Trial Surveys; Ministerial Approval of the sum of £20,000, adoption of route, vid Tarcoola, &c.; Report by the Engineers-in-Chief.

Severally ordered to lie on the Table and to be printed.

3. Defence Bill (1909).—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. Roberts 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.

4. Telegraph [Emergency] Bill.—The Order of the Day having been read for the consideration of the Report from the Committee of the whole House on this Bill—Sir John Quick moved, That the Report be now adopted.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

Sir John Quick moved, by leave, That the Bill be now read a third time.

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

- 5. Adjournment.—Mr. Joseph Cook moved, That the House do now adjourn. Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
- And then the House, at half-past ten o'clock p.m., adjourned until to-morrow at half-past two o'clock p.m.

MEMBERS	Present	.—All	Members	were	present (at	som	e time di	aring the	sitting)	except-	-M.r.	Atkin	son
Ma	. Catts,	Mr.	Chapman*,	, Mr.	Edwards,	Sir	Thomas	Ewing,	Colonel	Foxton*,	Mr.	Page,	and
\mathbf{M}_{1}	. Watson	* .										_	
• On leave.													

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