THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH.

No. 17.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

TUESDAY, 2ND AUGUST, 1910.

- 1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair, and read Prayers.
- 2. Member Sworn.--Mr. Frazer made and subscribed the Oath required by law.
- 3. Kooyong Electoral Division.—Issue of Writ.—Mr. Speaker announced to the House that he had that day issued a Writ for the election of a Member to serve for the Electoral Division of Kooyong, in the State of Victoria, in the place of the Honorable William Knox, resigned. The dates appointed in the Writ were as follow:—

Date of Nomination—Friday, 12th August, 1910. Date of Polling—Wednesday, 24th August, 1910. Return of Writ—On or before Wednesday, 7th September, 1910.

4. Papers.—Mr. O'Malley presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor-General—Public Service—Examination Fees—Memorandum by the Commissioner.

Ordered to lie on the Table.

Mr. O'Malley presented, pursuant to Statute-

Public Service Act—Temporary Employés—Return for year 1909-10.

5. Sugar Bounty Bill (1910) (No. 2).—The Order of the Day having been read for the consideration in Committee of the whole House of His Excellency the Governor-General's Message No. 8—Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole.

(In the Committee.)

Resolved, after debate—That it is expedient that an appropriation of revenues and moneys be made for the purposes of a Bill for an Act to amend the Sugar Bounty Act 1905.

Resolution to be reported.

The House resumed; Mr. Poynton reported accordingly.

Ordered—That the Report be considered at once.

And the said Resolution was, after debate, adopted by the House.

Ordered—That Mr. Tudor and Mr. Fisher do prepare and bring in a Bill to carry out the foregoing Resolution.

Mr. Tudor then brought up the Bill accordingly, and moved, That it be now read a first time.

Question—put and passed.—Bill read a first time.

Ordered-That the second reading be made an Order of the Day for to-morrow.

Conciliation and Arbitration Bill (1910).—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. Greene moved an amendment, That the word "now" be omitted from, and that the words "this day fortnight" be added to, the question.

Debate continued.

Mr. Bruce Smith 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 to-morrow.

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- 7. NAVAL LOAN REPEAL BILL.—The Order of the Day having been read for the third reading—
 'Mr. Fisher moved, That the Bill be now read a third time.

 Question—put and passed.—Bill read a third time.
- 8. Postponement of Orders of the Day.—Ordered, That Orders of the Day Nos. 4 to 6 inclusive, be postponed until to-morrow.
- 9. Ways and Means Resolution.—The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Ways and Means.

(In the Committee.)

Resolved, after debate—That a tax at the rate of Ten pounds per centum for each year (including the year in which the Act imposing the tax commences) be imposed in respect of all bank notes issued or re-issued by any bank in the Commonwealth after the commencement of the Act and not redeemed.

Resolution to be reported, and leave asked to sit again.

The House resumed; Mr. Poynton reported accordingly.

Resolved—That the House will, to-morrow, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

Ordered, by leave—That the Resolution reported from the Committee be considered at once.

And the said Resolution was, on the motion of Mr. Fisher, adopted by the House.

Ordered—That Mr. Fisher and Mr. Hughes do prepare and bring in a Bill to carry out the foregoing Resolution.

- 10. Bank Notes Tax Bill.—Mr. Fisher then brought up a Bill intituled "A Bill for an Act to impose a Tax upon Bank Notes," and moved, That it be now read a first time. Question—put and passed.—Bill read a first time.
 Ordered—That the second reading be made an Order of the Day for to-morrow.
- 11. Adjournment.—Mr. Fisher moved, That the House do now adjourn. Question—put and passed.

And then the House, at twenty minutes 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 some time during the sitting) except—Mr. Brown, Mr. Carr, Mr. Catts, Mr. Chapman, Mr. R. Edwards, Mr. Finlayson, Mr. Groom, Mr. Harper, Mr. Hedges, Mr. Howe, Mr. Livingston, and Mr. Page.

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