## THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH.

No. 40.

## VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

## HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

## FRIDAY, 9TH SEPTEMBER, 1910.

- 1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair, and read Prayers.
- 2. Petition from Herbert Clarke.—Mr. W. Maloney moved, by leave, That the Petition from Herbert Clarke presented to the House, at its last sitting, be printed.

Debate ensued. Question—put and passed.

- 3. DISSENT FROM SPEAKER'S RULING.—The Order of the Day having been read for the consideration of the motion, by Sir William Lyne at the last sitting, to dissent from a ruling of Mr. Speaker—
  That this House dissents from the ruling of Mr. Speaker, that an Order of the Day on the Business Paper (in debate) should be adjourned by the original mover without further debate—
  Debate ensued.
  - Mr. Cook moved an amendment, That the following words be added to the motion, viz.:—"and further, the decision of Mr. Speaker that debate could not take place on the proposal of the honorable Member for Brisbane that an Order of the Day be postponed until a future day."

Debate continued.

Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Original motion, by leave, withdrawn.

4. Message from the Governor-General.—Assent to Bill.—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor-General was presented, and the same was read by Mr. Speaker:—

DUDLEY,

 $Governor \cdot General.$ 

Message No. 20.

A Bill intituled "An Act to repeal certain sections of the Customs Act 1901,", as finally passed by the Senate and the House of Representatives of the Commonwealth, having been presented to the Governor-General for the Royal Assent, His Excellency has, in the name and on behalf of His Majesty, assented to the said Act.

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- .5. Bank Notes Tax 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.
- ·6. LAND TAX ASSESSMENT BILL.—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—and on the amendment moved thereto by Mr. Deakin, viz.:—That the following words be inserted in the motion after the word "That":—"the form of land tax outlined by the Prime Minister, and provided for in this Bill, is unjust in its incidence and an abuse of Federal powers"—

Debate resumed.

- . Mr. Chanter 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 Tuesday next.
- 7. Adjournment.—Mr. Batchelor moved, That the House do now adjourn. Question—put and passed.
- And then the House, at four minutes past four 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—Sir Robert Best, Mr. Cann, Mr. Chapman, Mr. W. J. Johnson, Mr. McDougall, Mr. Ozanne, Mr. Roberts, Mr. Watkins, Mr. Webster, and Mr. Wynne.

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