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THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH.

No. 61.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

TUESDAY, 18TH OCTOBER, 1910.

1. The House met, at three o'clock p.m., pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair, and read Prayers.
2. PAPER.—The following Paper was laid upon the Table by the Clerk :—
Post Offices, Illawarra—Officers Employed, Hours Worked, &c.—Return to an Order of the House, dated 11th October, 1910.
3. SEAT OF GOVERNMENT (ADMINISTRATION) BILL.—Mr. O'Malley moved, pursuant to notice, That he have leave to bring in a Bill for an Act to provide for the Provisional Government of the Territory for the Seat of Government of the Commonwealth.
Question—put and passed.
Mr. O'Malley 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.
4. CONSTITUTION ALTERATION (LEGISLATIVE POWERS) BILL.—The Order of the Day having been read for the second reading—Mr. Hughes moved, That the Bill be now read a second time.
Mr. Deakin moved, That the debate be now adjourned.
Question—That the debate be now adjourned—put and passed.
Ordered—That the resumption of the debate be made an Order of the Day for to-morrow.
5. CONSTITUTION ALTERATION (MONOPOLIES) BILL.—The Order of the Day having been read for the second reading—Mr. Hughes moved, That the Bill be now read a second time.
Mr. Deakin moved, That the debate be now adjourned.
Question—That the debate be now adjourned—put and passed.
Ordered—That the resumption of the debate be made an Order of the Day for to-morrow.
6. NORTHERN TERRITORY ACCEPTANCE 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.

(In the Committee.)

Clause 5 further considered.

Debate resumed on the amendment moved by Mr. Higgs, viz. :—

At end of clause add—"with this proviso, that notwithstanding anything to the contrary expressed or implied, the Commonwealth may construct the transcontinental railway along such route within the Territory as may be deemed expedient".

Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Clause further debated.

Mr. Batchelor moved, That the Chairman do report progress and ask leave to sit again.

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Question—put.

The Committee divided—

Ayes, 19.

Mr. Batchelor	Mr. Scullin
Mr. Brown	Mr. Sinclair
Mr. Catts	Mr. Thomson
Mr. Cook	Mr. Tudor
Sir John Forrest	Mr. Watkins
Mr. Frazer	Mr. Webster
Mr. Hughes	
Mr. Kelly	
Mr. McWilliams	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Parker Moloney	Mr. Finlayson
Mr. O'Malley	Mr. Higgs

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Mr. Archibald	Mr. Riley
Mr. Cann	Mr. Laird Smith
Mr. Charlton	Mr. Spence
Mr. Howe	Mr. West
Mr. W. J. Johnson	Mr. Wise
Mr. W. Maloney	
Mr. McDougall	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Ozanne	Mr. Fenton
Mr. Page	Mr. Roberts

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

The House resumed; Mr. Poynton reported accordingly.

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

7. ADJOURNMENT.—Mr. Hughes moved, That the House do now adjourn.

Debate ensued.

And the House continuing to sit till after midnight—

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Debate continued.

Question—put and passed.

And then the House, at twenty-three minutes past twelve o'clock midnight 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. Anstey, Mr. Atkinson, Mr. Carr, Mr. Chanter, Mr. Chapman, Mr. Fairbairn, Mr. Fisher, Mr. Frank J. Foster, Mr. R. W. Foster, Mr. Hall, Mr. Jensen, Mr. W. Elliot Johnson, Mr. Livingston, Sir William Lyne, Mr. Mahon, Mr. Palmer, Sir John Quick, and Mr. Salmon.

C. GAVAN DUFFY,

Clerk of the House of Representatives.