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THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH.

No. 18.

VOTES PROCEEDINGS AND

OF THE

REPRESENTATIVES HOUSE OF

WEDNESDAY, 4TH OCTOBER, 1911.

- 1. The House met, at half-past two o'clock p.m., pursuant to adjournment.-Mr. Speaker took the Chair, and read Prayers.
- 2. Papers.—Mr. Frazer presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor-General—

Defence-Progress Report on the Navy.

Ordered to lie on the Table.

Mr. O'Malley presented, pursuant to Statute-

Public Service Act—Regulations Amended— Nos. 149, 151—Statutory Rules 1911, No. 157.

No. 228 (Provisional)—Statutory Rules 1911, No. 158. Nos. 114-116A (Provisional)—Statutory Rules 1911, No. 159.

3. KALGOORLIE TO PORT AUGUSTA RAILWAY 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---Debate resumed.

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

Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole.

(In the Committee.)

Clause 1 agreed to.

Clause 2 debated, and agreed to.

Clause 3 read and debated.

Mr. Bruce Smith moved the following amendment:

At end of clause add-

"(3) In order to partially recoup the Commonwealth for the capital expenditure involved in the construction of the railway, it shall be a further condition precedent to the work being entered upon that the States of Western Australia and South Australia respectively shall reserve from sale and vest in trustees to the use of the Commonwealth, with power of sale or lease, all the Crown lands extending for twenty-five miles on both sides of the line, as ultimately adopted (inclusive of the reservations required under the previous sub-section), along its whole length throughout the territories of the respective States.'

Progress 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. F.8496.

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4. Adjournment.—Mr. Batchelor moved, That the House do now adjourn. Question—put and passed.

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And then the House, at twenty-six 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. Atkinson, Mr. Brown, Mr. Carr, Mr. Chapman, Mr. R. Edwards, Mr. Fairbairn, Mr. Fuller, Mr. Harper, Mr. Hughes, Mr. Hans Irvine, Mr. Jensen, Mr. W. J. Johnson, Mr. Livingston, Sir William Lyne, Mr. Mahon, Mr. W. Maloney, Mr. McDougall, Sir John Quick, and Mr. Spence.

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