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THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH.

No. 23.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

THURSDAY, 12TH 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. MESSAGE FROM THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL.—SUPPLY BILL (No. 3) 1911-12.—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor-General was presented, and the same was read by Mr. Speaker :—

DENMAN,
Governor-General.

Message No. 4.

In accordance with the requirements of section fifty-six of the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Australia, the Governor-General recommends to the House of Representatives that an appropriation of revenue be made for the purposes of a Bill for an Act to grant and apply a sum out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund for the service of the year ending the thirtieth day of June, One thousand nine hundred and twelve.

11th October, 1911.

Ordered to lie on the Table, and to be referred to the Committee of Supply.
3. PAPERS.—Mr. Fisher presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor-General—

Sugar Industry—Copy of Letters Patent appointing a Royal Commission to inquire into and report upon the Sugar Industry in Australia.

Ordered to lie on the Table.

Mr. Tudor presented, pursuant to Statute—

Excise Act—Beet Sugar Regulations—Statutory Rules 1911, No. 156.

Shale Oils Bounties Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1911, No. 137.

Spirits Act—Regulation—Standard for Industrial Spirits—Statutory Rules 1911, No. 160.
4. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered, That Orders of the Day, General Business, Nos. 1 to 3, be postponed until a later hour this day.
5. POSTPONEMENT OF BUSINESS.—Ordered, That the Notice of Motion, General Business, be an Order of the Day for Thursday, 26th October.
6. SUPPLY ["GRIEVANCE DAY" AND SUPPLY BILL].—Pursuant to the provisions of Standing Order No. 241, the Order of the Day having been read for going into the Committee of Supply—

Question—That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair—put and passed.

Whereupon Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.

12th October, 1911.

(In the Committee.)

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Fisher, after debate—That a sum not exceeding One million four hundred and nine thousand five hundred and thirty-four pounds be granted to His Majesty for or towards defraying the services of the year ending 30th June, 1912.

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.

7. SUSPENSION OF STANDING ORDERS.—Mr. Fisher moved, pursuant to notice, That the Standing Orders be suspended in order to enable all steps to be taken to obtain Supply, and to pass a Supply Bill through all its stages without delay.

Question—put and passed.

8. SUPPLY RESOLUTION.—The Resolution reported from the Committee of Supply was read, and was adopted by the House.

9. WAYS AND MEANS RESOLUTION.—The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Ways and Means.

(In the Committee.)

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Fisher, after debate—That towards making good the supply granted to His Majesty for the services of the year ending 30th June, 1912, a sum not exceeding One million four hundred and nine thousand five hundred and thirty-four pounds be granted out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund.

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.

The Resolution reported from the Committee was read and was 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. SUPPLY BILL (No. 3) 1911-12.—Mr. Fisher then brought up a Bill intituled "*A Bill for an Act to grant and apply a sum out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund for the service of the year ending the thirtieth day of June One thousand nine hundred and twelve,*" and moved, That it be now read a first time.

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

Mr. Fisher moved, That the Bill be now read a second time.

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.)

Clauses 1 to 4 inclusive agreed to.

Schedule debated and agreed to.

Preamble agreed to.

Title agreed to.

Bill to be reported without amendment.

The House resumed ; Mr. W. Elliot Johnson reported accordingly.

On the motion of Mr. Thomas, the House adopted the Report, and the Bill was read a third time.

11. MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.—PETHERICK COLLECTION BILL.—Mr. Speaker announced the receipt of the following Message from the Senate :—

MR. SPEAKER,

Message No. 7.

The Senate has passed a Bill for "*An Act relating to the Petherick Collection,*" and transmits the same to the House of Representatives for its concurrence.

The Senate,
Melbourne, 12th October, 1911.

H. TURLEY,
President.

12. PETHERICK COLLECTION BILL.—Mr. Thomas moved, That the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message 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.
13. PAPER.—Mr. Thomas presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor-General—
 Postmaster-General's Department—First Annual Report.
 Ordered to lie on the Table, and to be printed.
14. ADJOURNMENT.—Mr. Thomas moved, That the House do now adjourn.
 Question—put and passed.

And then the House, at one minute past ten o'clock p.m., adjourned until to-morrow at half-past ten o'clock a.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT.—All Members were present (at some time during the sitting) except—Mr. Brown, Mr. Carr, Mr. Chapman, Mr. R. W. Foster, Mr. Fuller, Mr. Hughes, Sir William Lyne, Mr. Mahon, Mr. Page, Mr. Palmer, Sir John Quick, Mr. Salmon, and Mr. Webster.

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