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THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH.

No. 30.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

FRIDAY, 9TH AUGUST, 1912.

1. The House met, at half-past ten o'clock a.m., pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair, and read Prayers.
2. SUSPENSION OF STANDING ORDERS NOS. 108 AND 235.—Mr. Fisher moved, by leave, That Standing Orders Nos. 108 and 235 be suspended in order to allow a motion to be made for the resumption of the Committee of Supply.
Question—put and passed.
3. SUPPLY COMMITTEE REVIVED.—Mr. Fisher thereupon moved, That the proceedings in Committee of Supply which lapsed at the last sitting be resumed, and that the House do this day resolve itself into the Committee of Supply.
Question—put and passed.
4. QUEENSLAND—PROPOSED FORMATION OF TWO NEW STATES IN.—Ordered, on the motion of Mr. Higgs, That the Notice of Motion (General Business No. 1) be made an Order of the Day for Thursday, 12th September next.
5. ADVERTISING BY FEDERAL DEPARTMENTS—RETURN SHOWING COST.—Mr. Palmer moved, by leave, That a Return be laid upon the Table of the House, showing the amounts of money expended by the various Federal Departments for advertising in each of the public journals of the Commonwealth since the 1st of January, 1911, giving the rates charged per inch or otherwise, and the estimated weekly or daily circulation of each of the said journals.
Question—put and passed.
6. PAPER.—Mr. Tudor presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor-General—
Quarantine—Report on Quarantine in other Countries and on the Quarantine Requirements of Australia, by W. Perrin Norris, M.D., D.P.H., Director of Quarantine.
Ordered to lie on the Table, and to be printed.
7. SUPPLY [ESTIMATES—ADDITIONS, NEW WORKS, BUILDINGS, ETC., 1912-13].—The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.

(In the Committee.)

ADDITIONS, NEW WORKS, BUILDINGS, ETC., 1912-13.

Division No. 3. Subdivision No. 1—

Consideration resumed of the motion (*see p. 87 ante*), That the Subdivision be reduced by the sum of £1.

Debate continued.

Question—That the Subdivision proposed to be reduced be so reduced—put and negatived.

Subdivision agreed to.

Subdivision No. 2 debated—

Mr. W. Elliot Johnson moved, That Item No. 14 be omitted.

Debate ensued.

Amendment negatived.

Mr. W. Elliot Johnson moved, That Item No. 15 be omitted.

Debate ensued.

Amendment negatived.

Mr. W. Elliot Johnson moved, That Item No. 24 be omitted.

Debate ensued.

Amendment negatived.

Subdivision No. 2 agreed to.

Subdivisions Nos. 3 and 4 agreed to.

Subdivision No. 5 read—

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

The House resumed ; Mr. Fowler reported accordingly.

Resolved—That the House will, on Tuesday next, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

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8. MESSAGE FROM THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL.—ASSENT TO SUPPLY BILL (No. 2) 1912-13.—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor-General was presented, and the same was read by Mr. Speaker :—

DENMAN,

Governor-General.

Message No. 6.

A Bill intituled "*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 thirteen,*" 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.

Government House,

Sydney, 3rd August, 1912.

9. MESSAGE FROM THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL.—ASSENT TO KALGOORLIE TO PORT AUGUSTA RAILWAY BILL (1912).—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor-General was presented, and the same was read by Mr. Speaker :—

DENMAN,

Governor-General.

Message No. 7.

A Bill intituled "*An Act to amend the 'Kalgoorlie to Port Augusta Railway Act 1911,'*" 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.

Brisbane, 7th August, 1912.

10. PAPER.—The following Paper was laid upon the Table by the Clerk :—

Ministers' Travelling Allowances—Return to an Order of the House, dated 8th August, 1912.

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

Question—put and passed.

And then the House, at twenty minutes to five 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—Mr. Deakin, Mr. R. Edwards, Mr. Finlayson, Mr. Frank J. Foster, Mr. Frazer, Mr. Glynn, Mr. Gordon, Mr. Groom, Mr. Hedges*, Mr. Hans Irvine*, Mr. W. J. Johnson, Mr. Kelly, Mr. Livingston, Sir William Lyne*, Mr. Bruce Smith, Mr. Thomson, and Mr. West.

* On leave.

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