THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH.

No. 51.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

WEDNESDAY, 18TH SEPTEMBER, 1912.

- 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. Fisher presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor-General.—
 - Government House, Sydney—Copy of Correspondence between the Government of the Commonwealth and the Government of New South Wales respecting occupancy by the Governor-General.

Ordered to lie upon the Table, and to be printed.

Mr. O'Malley presented, pursuant to Statute—

Electoral Act—Further Report, with Map, by the three Commissioners appointed for the purpose of redistributing the State of Western Australia into Electoral Divisions.

Ordered to be printed.

3. Adjournment—Motion for purpose of Discussion.—Mr. Ryrie rose in his place, and said that he proposed to move the adjournment of the House for the purpose of discussing a definite matter of urgent public importance, namely, "The unsatisfactory state of affairs in connexion with the compulsory training of our Cadets."

Mr. Speaker thereupon called upon those Members who approved of the proposed discussion to rise in their places, and more than the necessary number of Members having risen accordingly.—

Mr. Ryrie moved, That the House do now adjourn.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and negatived.

4. Sugar Bounty Bill (1912).—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 1 again read-

Mr. Deakin moved an amendment, That the word "Bounty" in line 1 be omitted.

Debate ensued.

Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Debate on clause continued.

Clause agreed to.

Clause 2 agreed to.

Title agreed to.

Bill to be reported without amendment.

The House resumed; Mr. Chanter reported accordingly.

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

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- 5. REFERENDUM (CONSTITUTION ALTERATION) BILL (1912) (No. 2).—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-Mr. Greene 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. ADJOURNMENT.—Mr. Tudor moved, That the House do now adjourn. Question—put and passed.
- And then the House, at thirty-three 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. Cann, Mr. Carr, Mr. Chapman, Mr. Frank J. Foster, Mr. Fowler, Mr. Frazer, Mr. Fuller, Mr. Groom, Mr. Hans Irvine*, Mr. Jensen, Mr. Livingston, Sir William Lyne, Mr. Mahon, Mr. McDougall, Mr. McWilliams, Mr. Parker Moloney, Mr. Poynton, Mr. Riley, Mr. Sampson, Mr. Thomson, and Mr. Wise.

• On leave.

WALTER A. GALE, Clerk Assistant, for Clerk of the House of Representatives.