## THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH.

#### No. 76.

# VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

## HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

### THURSDAY, 31st OCTOBER, 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. PAPER.—Mr. Fisher presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor-General—Maternity Allowance Act—Forms of Applications and Certificates.

  Ordered to lie on the Table.
- 3. KLECTORAL DIVISIONS OF NEW SOUTH WALES—PROPOSED REDISTRIBUTION.—Mr. O'Malley moved pursuant to notice, That the House of Representatives approves of the distribution of the State of New South Wales into Electoral Divisions as proposed by Messrs. F. Poate, H. Langwell, and J. G. McLaren, the Commissioners for the purpose of distributing the said State into Divisions, in their report laid before Parliament on the 24th day of October, 1912, subject to certain corrections referred to in telegrams from the Commissioners, and laid upon the Table of the House on the 29th day of October, 1912.
  - Mr. Cann moved an amendment, That all the words after the word "That" be omitted from the motion with a view to the insertion of the following words in place thereof, "the redistribution be referred back to the Commissioners for further consideration."

Debate ensued.

- Mr. Chanter, addressing the House, and not having concluded his speech, the House ordered that he have leave to continue his speech when the debate is resumed.
- Ordered—That the debate be now adjourned, and that the resumption of the debate be made an Order of the Day for a later hour this day.
- 4. Supply ["Grievance Day"].—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 proposed—That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and negatived.

Resolved-That the House will, at a later hour this day, resolve itself into the said Committee.

5. ELECTORAL DIVISIONS OF NEW SOUTH WALES—PROPOSED REDISTRIBUTION—(continued).—Debate continued upon the motion of Mr. O'Malley, and upon the amendment moved thereto by Mr. Cann, That all the words after the word "That" be omitted from the motion with a view to the insertion of the following words in place thereof:—"the redistribution be referred back to the Commissioners for further consideration."

Question—That the words proposed to be omitted stand part of the motion—put.

The House divided-

Ayes, 25.		Noes, 24.	
Mr. Atkinson	Mr. W. H. Irvine	Mr. Archibald	Mr. W. J. Johnson
Mr. Brown	Mr. Kelly	Mr. Bennett	Mr. Mahon
Mr. Chapman	Sir John Quick	Mr. Brennan	Mr. Mathews
Mr. Cook	Mr. Ryrie	Mr. Cann	Mr. McDougall
Mr. Deakin	Mr. Sampson	Mr. Carr	Mr. Poynton
Mr. Fisher	Mr. Bruce Smith	Mr. Chanter	Mr. Riley
Sir John Forrest	Mr. Thomas	Mr. Charlton	Mr. Laird Smith
Mr. R. W. Foster	Mr. Thomson	Mr. Fenton	Mr. West
Mr. Fuller	Mr. Tudor	Mr. Finlayson	Mr. Wise
Mr. Glynn		Mr. Frank J. Foster	
Mr. Gordon		Mr. Higgs	Tellers.
Mr. Greene	Tellers.	Mr. Howe	Mr. Anstey
Mr. Groom	Mr. W. Elliot Johnson	Mr. Jensen	Mr. Page
Mr. Hedges	Mr. Palmer		-

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Question—That the motion be agreed to—put and passed.

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6. Supply [Estimates, 1912-13].—The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.

#### ESTIMATES, 1912-13.

(In the Committee.)

Division No. 1-

[The First Item having been agreed to, see page 111 ante]—

Remainder of Division agreed to.

Division No. 2 debated—

Mr. Cook moved an amendment, That in subdivision No. 1 item "2 Senior Messengers, at £188 . . . . £376" be reduced by £1.

Debate ensued.

Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Debate on Division continued.

Division agreed to.

Division No. 3 debated and agreed to.

Division No. 4 debated-

Mr. Chapman moved an amendment, That the amount of subdivision No. 2 be reduced by £1.

Debate ensued.

Amendment negatived.

Division agreed to.

Division No. 5 debated and agreed to.

Divisions Nos. 6 and 7 agreed to.

Division No. 8 debated and agreed to.

Division No. 9 debated and agreed to.

Division No. 10 debated and agreed to.

Division No. 11 debated.

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.

7. Message from the Senate.—Tasmania Grant Bill.—Mr. Speaker announced the receipt of the following Message from the Senate:—

Mr. Speaker,

Message No. 27.

The Senate returns to the House of Representatives the Bill for "An Act to grant and apply out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund a sum for the purposes of Financial Assistance to the State of Tasmania", to which it has agreed without amendment

H. TURLEY,

The Senate,

Melbourne, 31st October, 1912.

President.

8. Message from the Senate.—Trade Marks Bill (1912).—Mr. Speaker announced the receipt of the following Message from the Senate:—

Mr. Speaker,

Message No. 28.

The Senate has agreed to the amendment made by the House of Representatives in the Bill for "An Act to amend the Trade Marks Act 1905".

H. Turley,

The Senate,

Melbourne, 31st October, 1912.

President.

9. ADJOURNMENT.-Mr. Fisher moved, That the House do now adjourn.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and passed.

And then the House, at twenty-nine minutes 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. R. Edwards, Mr. Frazer, Mr. Hans Irvine, Mr. Livingston, Sir William Lyne, Mr. Scullin, and Mr. Sinclair.

WALTER A. GALE,

Clerk Assistant,

for Clerk of the House of Representatives.