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VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

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OF REPRESENTATIVES. HOUSE

WEDNESDAY, 6TH NOVEMBER, 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. O'Malley presented, pursuant to Statute-

Census and Statistics Act-Regulation-

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Return of Trade Union Statistics-Statutory Rules 1912, No. 216.

Public Service Act-Department of Home Affairs-Promotion of C. S. Daley to new position of Clerk, 4th Class, Public Works Branch, Central Staff.

Mr. Roberts presented, pursuant to Statute-

- Defence Act-Military Forces-Regulations Amended (Provisional)-Statutory Rules 1912, No. 209.
- Naval Defence Act-Provisional Regulations for Universal Training-Statutory Rules 1912, No. 210.
- 3. COPYRIGHT BILL (1912).—The Order of the Day having been read for the third reading—Mr. Hughes moved, That the Bill be now read a third time. Debate ensued.

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

4. LOAN BILL (1912) .- The Order of the Day having been read for the further consideration in Committee of the whole House of the following motion of Mr. Fisher :-- That it is expedient that an appropriation of moneys be made for the purposes of a Bill for an Act to authorize the raising and expending of the sum of Five hundred and twenty-nine thousand five hundred and twenty-six pounds for the acquisition for Commonwealth purposes of property in Perth, Western Australia, and expenses incidental thereto; and to redeem loans raised by the Government of South Australia on account of the Northern Territory and the Port Augusta Railway-

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

(In the Committee.)

Debate upon the motion continued.

Question, That the motion be agreed to-put and passed. Resolution to be reported.

The House resumed; Mr. Poynton reported accordingly.

Ordered -That the Report be considered at once.

Mr. Fisher then brought up the Bill accordingly, and moved, That it be now read a first time. Question-put and passed.-Bill read a first time.

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

Debate ensued.

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.

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And the said Resolution was read, and on the motion of Mr. Fisher, 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.

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(In the Committee.)

Clause 1 agreed to.

Clause 2 debated and agreed to.

Clause 3 agreed to.

Schedule debated-

Mr. Kelly called the attention of the Temporary Chairman to the fact that a quorum of Members was not present.

Whereupon Mr. W. Elliot Johnson counted the Committee, and the bells having been rung, and a quorum of Members not having been obtained within the prescribed time—

Mr. Deputy Speaker took the Chair; Mr. W. Elliot Johnson reported that a quorum of Members was not present in the Committee.

The bells having been rung, and a quorum of Members not having been obtained within the prescribed time, Mr. Deputy-Speaker, thereupon, at ten minutes past eight o'clock p.m., adjourned the House 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. Atkinson, Mr. Carr, Mr. Chapman, Mr. R. Edwards, Mr. Howe, Mr. Hans Irvine, and Sir William Lyne.

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