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THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH.

No. 10.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

TUESDAY, 26TH AUGUST, 1913.

1. The House met, at three o'clock p.m., pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair, and read Prayers.
2. MESSAGE FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL.—SUPPLY BILL (No. 2) 1913-14.—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor-General was presented, and the same was read by Mr. Speaker :—

DENMAN,

*Governor-General.**Message No. 3.*

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 fourteen.

Government House, Melbourne,
25th August, 1913.

Ordered to lie on the Table, and to be referred to the Committee of Supply.

3. PAPERS.—Sir John Forrest presented, pursuant to Statute—
Invalid and Old-age Pensions Act.—Statement *re* Pensions for twelve months ended 30th June, 1913.
Mr. Kelly presented, pursuant to Statute—
Defence Act—Military Forces—Regulations Amended, &c. (Provisional)—Statutory Rules 1913, Nos. 227, 228.
4. POSTPONEMENT OF BUSINESS.—Ordered, after debate—That the Business on the Notice Paper preceding Notice of Motion No. 1 (Government Business) be postponed until after Order of the Day No. 3.
5. SUSPENSION OF STANDING ORDERS—SUPPLY.—Sir John Forrest moved, pursuant to notice, That the Standing Orders be suspended in order to enable all steps to be at once taken to obtain Supply, before the Address in Reply to His Excellency the Governor-General's Opening Speech has been agreed to by the House, and to pass a further Supply Bill through all its stages without delay.
Debate ensued.
Question—put and passed.
6. SUPPLY RESOLUTION.—The House thereupon, resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.

(*In the Committee.*)

Resolved, on the motion of Sir John Forrest, after debate—That a sum not exceeding Nine hundred and sixty-four thousand five hundred and ninety-six pounds be granted to His Majesty for or towards defraying the services of the year ending 30th June, 1914.
Resolution to be reported, and leave asked to sit again.

The House resumed; Mr. Fowler 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, on the motion of Sir John Forrest, was adopted.

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7. WAYS AND MEANS RESOLUTION.—The House then resolved itself into the Committee of Ways and Means.

(In the Committee.)

Resolved, on the motion of Sir John Forrest—That towards making good the supply granted to His Majesty for the services of the year ending 30th June, 1914, a sum not exceeding Nine hundred and sixty-four thousand five hundred and ninety-six pounds be granted out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund.

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

The House resumed ; Mr. Fowler 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, on the motion of Sir John Forrest, was adopted.

Ordered—That Sir John Forrest and Mr. W. H. Irvine do prepare and bring in a Bill to carry out the foregoing Resolution.

8. SUPPLY BILL (No. 2) 1913-14.—Sir John Forrest 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 fourteen*," and moved, That it be now read a first time.

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

Sir John Forrest moved, 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.

(In the Committee.)

Clauses 1 to 4, inclusive, agreed to.

Schedule agreed to.

Preamble agreed to.

Title agreed to.

Bill to be reported without amendment.

The House resumed ; Mr. Fowler reported accordingly.

On the motion of Sir John Forrest, the House adopted the Report, and the Bill was read a third time.

9. ADJOURNMENT.—Mr. Joseph Cook moved, That the House do now adjourn.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and passed.

And then the House, at fourteen minutes to twelve o'clock midnight, 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 Sir Robert Best.

C. GAVAN DUFFY,
Clerk of the House of Representatives