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THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH.

No. 61.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

WEDNESDAY, 26TH NOVEMBER, 1913.

- 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.—The following Papers were presented, pursuant to Statute—

Department of the Treasury-

Public Service Act—Appointment of H. C. Burnet as Valuer, Class D, Professional Division, Land Tax Branch, South Australia.

Postmaster-General's Department—

Public Service Act—Promotion of R. A. Shortland as Supervisor, 3rd Class, Mail Brauch, New South Wales.

Department of Home Affairs-

Kalgoorlie to Port Augusta Railway Act—Schedule 1—Rate for Wool from Euro Bluff to Port Augusta.

Public Service Act—Appointment of E. D. Gilchrist as Draughtsman, Class F, Professional Division, Lands and Surveys Branch.

Defence Department-

Defence Act—

Regulations Amended (Provisional)—Universal Training—Statutory Rules 1913, No. 293.

Military Forces—Financial and Allowance Regulations Amended (Provisional)—Statutory Rules 1913, Nos. 292, 294.

3. Supply [Supply Bill]. -The House, according to Order, 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 Seven hundred and sixty-seven thousand one hundred and forty-three 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, at its next sitting, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

4. Suspension of Standing Orders.—Sir John Forrest moved, pursuant to contingent notice by Mr. Joseph Cook, That the Standing Orders be suspended to enable the remaining stages to be passed without delay.

Question—put and passed.

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- 5. Supply Resolution. The Resolution reported from the Committee of Supply was read and, on the motion of Sir John Forrest, was adopted by the House.
- 6. WAYS AND MEANS RESOLUTION.—The House, according to Order, 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 Seven hundred and sixty-seven thousand one hundred and forty-three 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, at its next sitting, 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 by the House.

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

7. Supply Bill (No. 5) 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.

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.

8. Adjournment.—Mr. Joseph Cook moved, That the House do now adjourn. Question—put and passed.

And then the House, at twenty-five minutes to eleven 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. Abbott,
Mr. Burchell, Mr. Burns, Mr. Carr, Mr. Charlton, Mr. Fleming, Mr. Howe, Mr. Hughes,
Mr. McGrath (under suspension), Mr. Orchard, Mr. Pigott, Colonel Ryrie, Mr. Spence, and
Mr. Webster.

C. GAVAN DUFFY,
Clerk of the House of Representatives