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## THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH.

No. 62.

## VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

## HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

THURSDAY, 27TH 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. MESSAGE FROM THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL.—INSCRIBED STOCK BILL (1913).—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor-General was presented, and the same was read by Mr. Speaker :—

DENMAN,

*Governor-General.**Message No. 23.*

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 amend the *Commonwealth Inscribed Stock Act 1911-1912*.

Ordered—That the consideration of the foregoing Message in Committee of the whole House be made an Order of the Day for to-morrow.

3. PAPERS.—The following Paper was presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor-General—Postmaster-General's Department—Telephone Exchanges—Working Accounts—Summarised under Groups according to Population—All States.

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

The following Papers were presented, pursuant to Statute—

Department of Home Affairs—

Lands Acquisition Act—Land acquired under, at—

Burnie, Tasmania—For Defence purposes.

Drouin, Victoria—For Defence purposes.

Hammond Island, Queensland—For Quarantine purposes.

Kalgoorlie, Western Australia—For Defence purposes.

Lithgow, New South Wales—For Defence purposes.

Pialligo, Canberra, and Goorooyarroo, partly in Federal Territory and partly in New South Wales—For Federal Capital purposes.

Tailem Bend, South Australia—For Postal purposes.

4. SUPPLY [“GRIEVANCE DAY” AND BUDGET DEBATE].—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 passed. Whereupon Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.

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*(In the Committee.)*

Question again proposed (*see p. 84 ante*), That the first item in the Estimates, under Division I.—  
The Parliament—namely—

The President ... .. £1,100

be agreed to.

General debate resumed.

Progress 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.

5. MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.—SUPPLY BILL (No. 5) 1913-14.—Mr. Speaker announced the receipt of the following Message from the Senate:—

MR. SPEAKER,

*Message No. 12.*

The Senate returns to the House of Representatives the 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,*" to which it has agreed without requests.

THOS. GIVENS,  
President.

The Senate,

Melbourne, 27th November, 1913.

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

Question—put and passed.

And then the House, at forty-two 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. Abbott, 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.*