THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH.

No. 3.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

REPRESENTATIVES. HOUSE OF

FRIDAY, 17TH APRIL, 1914

- 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.—The following Paper was presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor-General— Attorney-General's Department-

Conciliation and Arbitration, &c.-Report on proceedings taken under the Conciliation and Arbitration Act 1904-1911, from 15th December, 1904, to 31st December, 1912; under the Excise Tariff Act 1906, during the time the Act was in operation; and under the Arbitration (Public Service) Act 1911, up to 31st December, 1912-A. M. Stewart, Industrial Registrar.

Ordered to lie on the Table.

3. TIME OF NEXT MEETING .- Mr. Joseph Cook moved; That the House, at its rising, adjourn until Tuesday next, at three o'clock p.m.

Debate ensued. Question—put and passed.

- 4. ADDRESS IN REPLY TO HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL'S SPEECH.—The Order of the Day having been read for the resumption of the debate on the question—That the following Address in Reply to the Speech of His Excellency the Governor-General be agreed to by this House :---

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY-

We, the House of Representatives of the Parliament of the Commonwealth of Australia, in Parliament assembled, beg to express our loyalty to our Most Gracious Sovereign, and to thank Your Excellency for the Speech which you have been pleased to address to Parliament-

- And on the amendment moved thereto by Mr. Fisher, viz .:- That the following words be added to the proposed Address :---
 - "but regret to have to inform you that your Advisers deserve censure for having failed to safeguard the interests of the people of the Commonwealth"----

Debate resumed.

Mr. Kelly moved, That the debate be now adjourned. Question—That the debate be now adjourned—put and passed.....

Ordered-That the resumption of the debate be made an Order of the Day for Tuesday next. **F.**3339.

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- 5. ADJOURNMENT.—Mr. Joseph Cook moved, That the House do now adjourn. Debate ensued. Question—put and passed.
- And then the House, at twenty-seven minutes past three o'clock p.m., adjourned until Tuesday next, at three o'clock p.m.
- MEMBERS PRESENT.—All Members were present (at some time during the sitting) except—Mr. Arthur Mr. Carr, Mr. Livingston, Mr. Sinclair, and Mr. Bruce Smith.

C. GAVAN DUFFY, Clerk of the House of Representatives.

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