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THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH.

No. 10.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

THURSDAY, 30TH APRIL, 1914.

- 1. The House met, at half-past two o'clock p.m., pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair, and read Prayers.
- 2. Time of Next Meeting.—Mr. Joseph Cook moved, That the House, at its rising, adjourn until to-morrow, at half-past ten o'clock a.m. Question—put and passed.
- 3. Papers.—The following Paper was presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor-General—

Postmaster-General's Department—
Tasmanian Mail Service—Agreement between the Postmaster-General and the Union
Steam-ship Company of New Zealand Limited, and Huddart Parker Limited, for the
conveyance of mails between Melbourne and Launceston, and Melbourne and Burnie.

Ordered to lie on the Table.

The following Papers were presented, pursuant to Statute-

Defence Department-

Defence Act—Military Forces—Financial and Allowance Regulations Amended (Provisional)
—Statutory Rules 1914, Nos. 33-37.

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. O'Malley addressing the House, and not having concluded his speech, the House ordered that he have leave to continue his speech when the debate is resumed.

Ordered.—That the debate be now adjourned, and that the resumption of the debate be made an Order of the Day for to-morrow.

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

Question—put and passed.

And then the House, at sixteen minutes to eleven 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. Conroy, Mr. Howe, and Mr. Rodgers.

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

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