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 THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH.

No. 22.

 VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
 OF THE
 HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

FRIDAY, 29TH MAY, 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. IRREGULAR CONDUCT AND INTERFERENCE—SELECT COMMITTEE.—Mr. Joseph Cook moved, pursuant to notice, That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into and report upon the improper removal from the Chamber of Mr. Speaker's copy of May's "Parliamentary Practice," with Mr. Speaker's notes in connexion therewith, and the abstraction of such notes, the interference with the keys of certain doors in the Chamber and precincts, and other disorderly proceedings; such Committee to consist of Mr. Archibald, Mr. Charlton, Mr. Sampson, and Mr. Bruce Smith, with power to send for persons, papers, and records, to report the evidence from time to time, and to have leave to sit during the sittings of the House.
 Debate ensued.
 And the motion having been amended, by leave, by the omission of the words "and other disorderly proceedings"—
 Motion, as amended, put and agreed to.
3. POSTAL VOTING RESTORATION BILL.—The Order of the Day having been read for the resumption of the debate on the following motion of Mr. Joseph Cook:—That he have leave to bring in a Bill for an Act to restore the provisions of the *Commonwealth Electoral Act* 1902-1909, with respect to Voting by Post.
 Debate resumed.
 Question—put and passed.
 Mr. Joseph Cook then brought up the Bill accordingly, and moved, That it be now read a first time.
 Question—put and passed.—Bill read a first time.
 Ordered—That the second reading be made an Order of the Day for Wednesday next.
4. COMMONWEALTH BANK BILL (1914).—Mr. Joseph Cook, for Sir John Forrest, moved, pursuant to notice, That he have leave to bring in a Bill for an Act relating to the Savings Bank Business of the Commonwealth Bank of Australia.
 Question—put and passed.
5. AUSTRALIAN INDUSTRIES PRESERVATION BILL (1914).—Mr. Joseph Cook, for Mr. Groom, moved, pursuant to notice, That he have leave to bring in a Bill for an Act to amend the *Australian Industries Preservation Act* 1906-1910.
 Question—put and passed.
6. ADJOURNMENT.—Mr. Joseph Cook moved, That the House do now adjourn.
 Question—put and passed.

And then the House, at twenty-three minutes past twelve o'clock noon, adjourned until Wednesday next, at half-past two o'clock p.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT.—All Members were present (at some time during the sitting) except—Mr. Ahern, Mr. Arthur, Mr. Carr, Mr. Conroy, Mr. Howe, Mr. Mahon, and Mr. Yates.

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

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