

1914-15.

THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH.

No. 30.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

FRIDAY, 16TH APRIL, 1915.

1. The House met, at half-past ten o'clock a.m., pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair, and read Prayers.
2. PAPERS.—The following Papers were presented, pursuant to Statute—
 - Department of External Affairs—
 - Northern Territory—
 - Public Service Ordinance, 1913—
 - Proclamation by Administrator fixing date for commencement.
 - Regulations.
3. SUPPLY [SUPPLY BILL].—The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.

(In the Committee.)

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Fisher, after debate—That a sum not exceeding Three million one hundred and thirty thousand pounds be granted to his Majesty for or towards defraying the services of the year ending 30th June, 1915.

Resolution to be reported, and leave asked to sit again.

The House resumed; Mr. Chanter reported accordingly.

Resolved—That the Report be taken into consideration at a later hour this day and that the House will, this day, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

4. SUPPLY [ESTIMATES 1914-15].—The House, according to Order, again resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.

(In the Committee.)

Estimates 1914-15.—The Parliament, Division No. 1, Subdivision No. 1,—Salaries—Question proposed—That the Subdivision be agreed to.

Debate ensued.

Mr. Finlayson moved, That the item, "Clerk of the Senate £1,000" be reduced by the sum of £100.

Debate ensued.

Progress to be reported, and leave asked to sit again.

The House resumed; Mr. Chanter reported accordingly.

Resolved—That the House will, this day, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

5. SUPPLY RESOLUTION—STANDING ORDERS SUSPENDED.—The Order of the Day having been read for the consideration of a certain Resolution reported from the Committee of Supply—

Mr. Fisher moved, pursuant to contingent notice—That the Standing Orders be suspended to enable the remaining stages to be passed without delay.

Question—put and passed.

And then the said Resolution was read and is as follows:—

That a sum not exceeding Three million one hundred and thirty thousand pounds be granted to His Majesty, for or towards defraying the services of the year ending 30th June, 1915.

And the said Resolution, on the motion of Mr. Fisher, was adopted by the House.

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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 Mr. Fisher, after debate—That towards making good the Supply granted to His Majesty for the services of the year ending 30th June, 1915, a sum not exceeding Three million one hundred and thirty thousand pounds be granted out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund.

Resolution to be reported, and leave asked to sit again.

The House resumed ; Mr. Chanter reported accordingly.

Resolved—That the House will, this day, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Resolution reported from the Committee was read and, on the motion of Mr. Fisher, was adopted by the House.

Ordered—That Mr. Fisher and Mr. Hughes do prepare and bring in a Bill to carry out the foregoing Resolution.

7. SUPPLY BILL (No. 5) 1914–15.—Mr. Fisher 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 fifteen.*” and moved, That it be now read a first time.

Question—put and passed.—Bill read a first time.

Mr. Fisher 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 5, inclusive, agreed to.

Schedule agreed to.

Preamble agreed to.

Title agreed to.

Bill to be reported without amendment.

The House resumed ; Mr. Chanter reported accordingly.

On the motion of Mr. Fisher, the House adopted the Report, and the Bill was read a third time.

8. ADJOURNMENT.—Mr. Fisher moved, That the House do now adjourn.

Question—put and passed.

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

MEMBERS PRESENT.—All Members were present (at some time during the sitting) except—Mr. Abbott, Mr. Bainford, Mr. Fleming, Mr. Groom, Mr. W. Elliot Johnson, Mr. Ozanne, Colonel Ryrie*, Mr. Sinclair, Mr. Stumm, and Mr. Webster.

* On leave.

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