

THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH

No. 64.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

WEDNESDAY, 7TH JULY, 1915.

1. The House met, at three o'clock p.m., pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair, and read Prayers.
2. PAPERS.—The following Papers were presented, pursuant to Statute—
 - Department of Trade and Customs—
 - Inter-State Commission Act—
 - Inter-State Commission—Tariff Investigation Reports—
 - Ale and Beer.
 - Fruits, Fresh.
 - Glucose.
 - Hats and Caps.
 - Matches and Vestas.
 - Olive Oil.

Severally ordered to be printed.
3. SUGAR SUPPLY FOR AUSTRALIA.—Mr. Hughes, by leave, made a statement to the House in regard to the arrangements proposed by the Government to provide a supply of sugar for Australia.
4. LIVERPOOL MILITARY CAMP.—Mr. Jensen, by leave, read to the House reports he had received on the condition of the Liverpool Military Camp.
5. PAPERS.—The following Papers were presented, pursuant to Statute—
 - Attorney-General's Department—
 - Arbitration (Public Service) Act—
 - (1) Copy of an Award dated 15th June, 1915, which has been made by the Commonwealth Court of Conciliation and Arbitration on a plaint submitted by the Postal Sorters' Union of Australia.
 - (2) Statement of the Laws and Regulations of the Commonwealth with which, in the opinion of the Deputy-President of the Court, the Award is not or may not be in accord.
 - (3) Copy of the "Reasons for Judgment" of the Deputy-President.
 - (4) Memorandum by the Attorney-General in connexion with the Award.

Ordered to be printed.

Department of Defence—
Defence Act—

Regulations Amended (Provisional)—
Universal Training—Statutory Rules 1915, No. 99.
Military Forces—
Statutory Rules 1915, Nos. 100, 101.
(Financial and Allowance) Statutory Rules 1915, No. 102.

Naval Defence Act—

Financial and Allowance Regulation Amended (Provisional)—Statutory Rules 1915, No. 104.

War Precautions Act—

Regulation Amended (Provisional)—Statutory Rules 1915, No. 105.

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6. **WAYS AND MEANS** [ESTIMATES 1914-15].—The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Ways and Means.

(In the Committee.)

ESTIMATES, 1914-15.

Debate resumed on the following motion of Mr. Fisher—That towards making good the Supply granted to His Majesty for the services of the year 1914-15, a sum not exceeding Three thousand and ninety-six pounds be granted out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund.

Motion agreed to.

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

The House resumed; Mr. Chanter reported accordingly.

Resolved—That the House will, to-morrow, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

7. **SUSPENSION OF STANDING ORDERS**.—Mr. Spence 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.

8. **WAYS AND MEANS RESOLUTION**.—The Resolution reported from the Committee of Ways and Means 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.

9. **APPROPRIATION BILL 1914-15**.—Mr. Fisher then brought up a Bill intituled "*A Bill for an Act to grant and apply out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund a sum for the service of the year ending the thirtieth day of June One thousand nine hundred and fifteen and to appropriate the supplies granted for such year in this and the last preceding session of the Parliament,*" 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.)

Bill agreed to and 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.

10. **ALTERATION OF HOUR OF NEXT MEETING**.—Mr. Fisher moved, That the House, at its rising, adjourn until three o'clock p.m. to-morrow.
Question—put and passed.

11. **ADJOURNMENT**.—Mr. Fisher moved, That the House do now adjourn.
Question—put and passed.

And then the House, at twelve minutes to eight o'clock p.m., adjourned until to-morrow at three o'clock p.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT.—All Members were present (at some time during the sitting) except—Lieut.-Colonel Abbott*, Mr. Anstey, Mr. Chapman, Sir John Forrest, Mr. Glynn, Mr. Gregory, Mr. Hampson, Mr. Manifold, Mr. Parker Moloney, Mr. Patten, Mr. Rodgers, Colonel Ryrie*, Mr. Bruce Smith, Mr. Stumm, and Mr. Watt.

* On leave.

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