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THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA.

No. 128.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

WEDNESDAY, 9TH JULY, 1919.

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, by command of His Excellency the Governor-General—
 - Australian Institute of Tropical Medicine—Half-yearly Reports from 1st January to 30th June, and from 1st July to 31st December, 1918.
 - Commonwealth and State Ministers' Conference, held at Melbourne, 22nd-27th January, 1919—Report of the Resolutions, Proceedings, and Debates.
 - Consolidated Revenue Fund—Receipts and Expenditure—Approximate figures 1918-19 compared with Actual 1917-18 and Estimate 1918-19.
 - Loan Fund—Receipts and Expenditure—Approximate figures for 1918-19 compared with Actual 1917-18 and Estimate 1918-19.
 Severally ordered to lie on the Table, and to be printed.
 - South-West Africa—Report on the Natives of, and their treatment by Germany, January, 1918. (Paper presented to the British Parliament).
 Ordered to lie on the Table.

The following Papers were presented, pursuant to Statute—

 - Public Service Act—Fourteenth Report on the Public Service by the Acting Commissioner.
 Ordered to be printed.
 - Customs Act—Proclamation (dated 19th June, 1919) revoking Proclamation (dated 5th March, 1919) prohibiting the Exportation of Condensed Milk.
 - Northern Territory—Ordinance of 1919—No. 7—Jury (No. 2).
 - Post and Telegraph Act—Regulations Amended—Statutory Rules 1919, Nos. 148, 149, 150, 163.
3. WANT OF CONFIDENCE IN THE GOVERNMENT—MINISTERIAL STATEMENT—MINISTERIAL PROGRAMME.—The Order of the Day having been read for the resumption of the debate on the motion of Mr. Watt—That the Statement be printed—and on the Amendment moved thereto by Mr. Higgs, viz.:—That after the word "That" there be inserted the words "the Government does not possess the confidence of this House"—

Debate resumed.

Mr. McGrath 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 to-morrow.
4. CORRECTION OF ERROR IN DIVISION LIST.—Mr. Speaker informed the House that in the first Division taken on Friday last the Tellers inadvertently made an error. The name of Mr. Mahony should have been included in the List of those Members who voted with the Noes, instead of the name of Mr. W. Maloney. The error had been rectified in the official records.

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5. ADJOURNMENT.—Mr. Watt moved, That the House do now adjourn.
Question—put and passed.

And then the House, at five minutes past eleven o'clock p.m., adjourned until to-morrow at half-past two o'clock p.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT.—All Members were present (at some time during the sitting) except—Mr. Bruce, Mr. J. H. Catts, Mr. Chapman, Mr. Considine, Sir Joseph Cook, Mr. Falkiner, Mr. Fowler, Mr. Heitmann*(a), Mr. Hughes, Mr. Jensen, Mr. W. Maloney, Mr. Nicholls*, Mr. Rodgers, Major-General Ryrie*(a), and Mr. Webster.

* On leave.

(a) Absent with Australian Imperial Force.

WALTER A. GALE,
Clerk of the House of Representatives.