

THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA.

No. 141.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

FRIDAY, 8TH AUGUST, 1919.

1. The House met, at eleven o'clock a.m., pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair, and read Prayers.
2. **ADJOURNMENT-MOTION FOR PURPOSE OF DISCUSSION.**—Mr. Tudor rose in his place, and said that he proposed to move the adjournment of the House for the purpose of discussing a definite matter of urgent public importance, namely, "The serious situation which has arisen in connexion with increases in the prices of hides, leather, and footwear".
Mr. Speaker thereupon called upon those Members who approved of the proposed discussion to rise in their places, and more than the necessary number of Members having risen accordingly—
Mr. Tudor moved, That the House do now adjourn.
Debate ensued.
It being two hours after the time fixed for the meeting of the House, the debate was interrupted in accordance with Standing Order No. 119, and the Business of the Day was called on.
3. **PAPER.**—The following Paper was presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor-General—
South America—Correspondence respecting the British Mission to, 1918. (Paper presented to the British Parliament).
Ordered to lie on the Table.
4. **CUSTOMS BILL (1919).**—The Order of the Day having been read for the second reading—
Mr. Greene moved, That the Bill be now read a second time.
Debate ensued.
Mr. W. Maloney 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 the next sitting.
5. **ADJOURNMENT.**—Mr. Watt moved, That the House do now adjourn.
Debate ensued.
Question—put and passed.

And then the House, at twenty-eight minutes past four 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—
Lieut.-Col. Abbott, Mr. Bruce*, Mr. Considine, Sir Joseph Cook*, Mr. Falkiner, Mr. Fleming, Mr. R. W. Foster, Mr. Heitmann^(a), Mr. Hughes*, Mr. Jensen, Mr. Livingston, Mr. Maxwell, Mr. McGrath, Mr. Nicholls*, Mr. Palmer, Major-General Ryrie^(a), and Mr. Wallace.

* On leave.
(a) Absent with Australian Imperial Force.

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