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THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA.

No. 34.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

WEDNESDAY, 8TH AUGUST, 1923.

1. The House met, at half-past two o'clock p.m., pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker (the Right Honorable W. A. Watt) took the Chair, and read Prayers.
2. EX-GUNNER YATES—SELECT COMMITTEE—REPORT.—Mr. Hurry, Chairman, brought up the Report from the Select Committee appointed to inquire into and report upon the case of ex-Gunner Yates, together with the Proceedings of the Committee, Minutes of Evidence, and Appendix. Ordered to lie on the Table, and to be printed.
3. MESSAGE FROM THE DEPUTY OF THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL.—ADVANCES TO SETTLERS BILL.—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor-General's Deputy was presented, and the same was read by Mr. Speaker :—

W. H. IRVINE,
Deputy of the Governor-General.

Message No. 18.

In accordance with the requirements of section 56 of the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Australia, the Deputy of the Governor-General recommends to the House of Representatives that an appropriation of revenue be made for the purposes of a Bill for an Act to provide for the Supply of Wire-netting to Settlers.

Melbourne, 6th August, 1923.

Ordered—That the foregoing Message be taken into consideration, in Committee of the whole House, at the next sitting.

4. SUPPLY—[BUDGET DEBATE].—The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.

(*In the Committee.*)

Question again proposed (*see p. 95 ante*), That the first item in the Estimates, under Division I.—The Parliament—namely—

The President £1,100

be agreed to.

General debate resumed.

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

The House resumed ; Mr. Makin reported accordingly.

Resolved—That the House will, at the next sitting, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

8th August, 1923.

5. MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.—CUSTOMS BILL (1923).—Mr. Speaker announced the receipt of the following Message from the Senate:—

MR. SPEAKER,

Message No. 17.

The Senate returns to the House of Representatives the Bill for "*An Act to amend the 'Customs Act 1901-1922'*," and acquaints the House that the Senate has agreed to the Bill with the Amendments indicated by the annexed Schedule, in which Amendments the Senate requests the concurrence of the House of Representatives.

THOS. GIVENS,
President.

The Senate,
Melbourne, 8th August, 1923.

Ordered—That the foregoing Message be taken into consideration, in Committee of the whole House, at the next sitting.

6. ADJOURNMENT.—Mr. Bruce (Prime Minister) moved, That the House do now adjourn.
Question—put and passed.

And then the House, at 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. Donald Cameron*, Mr. Cunningham, Sir Neville Howse*, Mr. Lambert, Mr. McGrath, Mr. McNeill, Sir Granville Ryrie, and Mr. Thompson.

* On leave.

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