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THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH.

No. 84.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

WEDNESDAY, 23RD OCTOBER, 1901.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair, and read Prayers.
2. WANT OF CONFIDENCE IN THE GOVERNMENT FINANCIAL AND TARIFF PROPOSALS.—The Order of the Day for the resumption of the debate on the question—
 - (1) That this House cannot accept the Financial and Tariff proposals submitted by the Government—
 - (a) Because they would place the finances of the Commonwealth and the States upon an unsound and extravagant basis.
 - (b) Because they fail to adjust the burdens of taxation and the advantages of the free list in an equitable manner, revealing a marked tendency, which this House regrets to observe, to press upon necessities of life and appliances used in our farming, mining, and pastoral industries more heavily than they do upon many articles of luxury.
 - (c) And because they would in their operation destroy the stability of the Revenue by making imposts for national purposes a source of undue profit to a few individuals, and a few favoured industries, at the expense of the whole community.
 - (2) That the foregoing resolutions be conveyed, by Address, to His Excellency the Governor-General—
having been read—
Debate resumed.

And the House continuing to sit till after midnight—

THURSDAY, 24TH OCTOBER, 1901.

Debate continued.

Mr. Watson moved, That the debate be now adjourned.

Question—That the debate be now adjourned—put and resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered—That the resumption of the debate be made an Order of the Day for this day.

3. ADJOURNMENT.—Mr. Barton moved, That the House do now adjourn.
Debate ensued.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

And then the House, at forty-three minutes past one o'clock in the morning, adjourned until this day, at half-past two o'clock p.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT.—All Members were present except—Messrs. Bamford, Fisher, Hughes, and Salmon.

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