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THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH.

No. 169.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

TUESDAY, 29TH APRIL, 1902.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair, and read Prayers.
2. MESSAGE FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL.—ASSENT TO BILL.—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor-General was presented by Sir George Turner, and the same was read by Mr. Speaker :—

HOPETOUN,

*Governor-General.**Message No. 38.*

A Bill intituled "*An Act to grant and apply out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund the sum of Two hundred and eighty-two thousand eight hundred and thirty-four pounds to the service of the year ending the thirtieth day of June, One thousand nine hundred and two,*" as finally passed by the Senate and the House of Representatives of the Commonwealth, having been presented to the Governor-General for the Royal Assent, His Excellency has, in the name of His Majesty, assented to the said Act.

Government House,
Melbourne, 26th April, 1902.

3. MESSAGE FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL.—GOVERNOR-GENERAL'S ESTABLISHMENT BILL.—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor-General was presented by Mr. Barton, and the same was read by Mr. Speaker :—

HOPETOUN,

*Governor-General.**Message No. 39.*

In accordance with the requirements of section 56 of The Constitution of the Commonwealth of Australia the Governor-General recommends to the House of Representatives that an appropriation of moneys be made for the purpose of a Bill for an Act relating to the Governor-General's Establishment.

Government House,
24th April, 1902.

Ordered—That the consideration of the foregoing Message in Committee of the whole House be made an Order of the Day for to-morrow.

4. PAPER.—Mr. Barton presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor-General—
Pearling Industry—Subjects for inquiry by Judge Dashwood (Port Darwin and Thursday Island), and Mr. M. S. Warton (Broome, Western Australia).
Ordered to lie on the Table, and to be printed.

5. ADJOURNMENT—MOTION FOR PURPOSE OF DISCUSSION.—Mr. McDonald 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 action of the honorable Member for Tasmania, Sir Edward Braddon, in taking his seat on the Elections and Qualifications Committee."

Mr. Speaker thereupon called upon those Members who approved of the proposed discussion to rise in their places, and five Members having accordingly risen—

Mr. McDonald moved, That the House do now adjourn.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and negatived.

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6. SUPPLY.—The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Chanter reported that the Committee had made progress, and that he was directed to ask, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

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

7. ADJOURNMENT.—Mr. Barton moved, That the House do now adjourn.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

MEMBERS PRESENT.—All Members were present except—The Minister of Home Affairs (the Honorable Sir William Lyne, K.C.M.G.), Messrs. Clarke, Conroy, Joseph Cook, Cruickshank, Fisher, Harper, Hartnoll, Hughes, Kennedy, Manifold, McColl, Sir Malcolm McEacharn, Mr. F. E. McLean, Sir William McMillan, K.C.M.G., the Right Honorable G. H. Reid, P.C., Messrs. Bruce Smith, V. L. Solomon, and Willis.

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