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THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH.

No. 202.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

WEDNESDAY, 20TH AUGUST, 1902.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair, and read Prayers.
2. PAPERS.—Mr. Deakin presented, by command of His Excellency the Acting Governor-General—
Pearl-shelling Industry in Port Darwin and Northern Territory—Report by His Honour Judge Dashwood, Government Resident, Palmerston, on the.
Sir William Lyne presented, by command of His Excellency the Acting Governor-General—
Naval and Military Forces of the Commonwealth—Various Regulations made by His Excellency the Governor-General in Council (30th January, 1902—20th June, 1902).
Severally ordered to lie on the Table.
3. POST AND TELEGRAPH RATES BILL.—The Order of the Day for the resumption of the debate on the question, That the Bill be now read a second time, having been read—
Debate resumed.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a second time.
Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole.
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Chanter reported that the Committee had made progress in the Bill, 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.
4. ADJOURNMENT.—Mr. Deakin moved, That the House do now adjourn.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

And then the House, at forty-two 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 Prime Minister* (the Right Honorable Sir Edmund Barton, P.C., G.C.M.G.), the Minister of Defence* (the Right Honorable Sir John Forrest, P.C., G.C.M.G.), Messrs. Cameron, Chapman,* Cruickshank,* Ewing, Fisher,* Glynn, A. C. Groom, Harper,* Hughes, Knox,* Macdonald-Paterson, McColl, A. McLean, F. E. McLean, Sir William McMillan, K.C.M.G., Messrs. Page, Poynton, Sir John Quick, the Right Honorable G. H. Reid, P.C., Messrs. Sawers, Bruce Smith, Spence, Thomson, and Willis.

* On leave.

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