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THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH.

No. 8.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

TUESDAY, 9TH JUNE, 1903.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair, and read Prayers.
2. TEMPORARY CHAIRMEN OF COMMITTEES.—The following Warrant, nominating Temporary Chairmen of Committees, pursuant to Standing Order No. 25, was laid upon the Table by Mr. Speaker :—

The Parliament of the Commonwealth.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

Pursuant to the provisions of the Standing Order numbered 25, I do hereby nominate—

Egerton Lee Batchelor, Esquire,
John Waters Kirwan, Esquire,
Charles McDonald, Esquire,
The Honorable Charles Carty Salmon, and
Vaiben Louis Solomon, Esquire,

to act as Temporary Chairmen of Committees when requested so to do by the Chairman of Committees.

Given under my hand this ninth day of June, One thousand nine hundred and three.

F. W. HOLDER,
Speaker.

3. PAPERS.—Sir Edmund Barton presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor-General—
Rebate of Excise Duty allowed on Australian Sugar grown by White Labour—Memorandum by the Treasurer of the Commonwealth regarding the payment of.
Ordered to lie on the Table.
The following Papers were laid upon the Table by the Clerk :—
Officers of Permanent Defence Forces—Return to an Order of the House, dated 4th June, 1903.
Defence Forces—Retirement of Lieutenant-Colonels Braithwaite and Reay—Return to an Order of the House, dated 4th June, 1903.
4. HIGH COURT PROCEDURE BILL.—Mr. Deakin, pursuant to an Order of the House made on 3rd June instant, brought up a Bill intituled "*A Bill for an Act to Regulate the Practice and Procedure of the High Court,*" and moved, That it be now read a first time.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a first time.
Ordered, after debate—That the second reading be made an Order of the Day for to-morrow.

9th June, 1903.

5. MESSAGE FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL.—SUGAR BONUS BILL.—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor-General was presented by Sir George Turner, and the same was read by Mr. Speaker:—

TENNYSON,

*Governor-General.**Message No. 2.*

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 revenue be made for the purposes of a Bill for an Act to provide for a Bonus to Growers of Sugar-cane and Beet.

8th June, 1903.

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

6. MESSAGE FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL.—JUDICIARY BILL.—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor-General was presented by Mr. Deakin, and the same was read by Mr. Speaker:—

TENNYSON,

*Governor-General.**Message No. 3.*

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 revenue be made for the purposes of a Bill for an Act to make provision for the exercise of the Judicial Power of the Commonwealth.

8th June, 1903.

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

7. MESSAGE FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL.—NAVAL AGREEMENT BILL.—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor-General was presented by Sir Edmund Barton, and the same was read by Mr. Speaker:—

TENNYSON,

*Governor-General.**Message No. 4.*

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 revenue be made for the purposes of a Bill for an Act to approve of an Agreement relating to the Naval Force on the Australian Station entered into by the Commissioners for executing the Office of Lord High Admiral of the United Kingdom and the Governments of the Commonwealth and of New Zealand, and to appropriate moneys for the purposes of that agreement.

8th June, 1903.

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

8. JUDICIARY BILL.—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—
Mr. Deakin moved, That the Bill be now read a second time.

Debate ensued.

Mr. McCay 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 to-morrow.

9. ADJOURNMENT.—Sir Edmund 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—Mr. Brown, Mr. Cameron, Mr. Clarke, Mr. Winter Cooke, Mr. Cruickshank, Mr. R. Edwards*, Mr. L. E. Groom, Mr. Harper, Mr. Knox*, Sir William Lyne, Mr. Macdonald-Paterson*, Mr. McColl, Sir Malcolm McEacharn, Mr. F. E. McLean, Mr. Poynton, Mr. Reid, Mr. Sawers, Mr. Bruce Smith, Mr. Watkins, and Mr. Watson.

* On leave.

C. GAVAN DUFFY,

Clerk of the House of Representatives.