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VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

FRIDAY, 14TH AUGUST, 1903.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.-Mr. Speaker took the Chair, and read Prayers.

2. ELECTORAL DIVISIONS OF NEW SOUTH WALES-PROPOSED DISTRIBUTION.-Sir William Lyne moved, pursuant to notice, That this House disapproves of the proposed distribution of the State of New South Wales into twenty-six Divisions, named East Sydney, West Sydney, Went-worth, South Sydney, Lang, Dalley, Parkes, Ashfield, North Sydney, Parramatta, Illawarra, Macquarie, Werriwa, Eden-Monaro, Robertson, Newcastle, Hunter, Hume, Bland, Cowper, Canobolas, New England, Gwydir, Clarence-Richmond, Darling, and Riverina, and shown on the maps laid upon the Table of the House of Representatives on the 7th August instant. Debate ensued.

Mr. Thomson moved, as an amendment, That the words "in order that a fresh distribution may be proposed by the Commissioner of the State " be inserted after the word "That." Debate continued.

- Sir William McMillan, addressing the House, and not having concluded his speech, the House ordered that he have leave to continue his speech when the debate is resumed.
- Ordered-That the debate be now adjourned, and that the resumption of the debate be made an Order of the Day for Tuesday next.
- 3. JUDICIARY BILL.-SENATE'S MESSAGE No. 14.-The Order of the Day for the consideration in Committee of the whole House of the Senate's Message No. 14 having been read, 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, and that he was directed to ask, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved-That the House will, on Tuesday next, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

- 4. ADJOURNMENT.-Sir Edmund Barton moved, That the House do now adjourn. Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
- And then the House, at two minutes to four o'clock p.m., adjourned until Tuesday next at half-past two o'clock p.m.
- MEMBERS PRESENT.—All Members were present except—Sir Edward Braddon*, Mr. Brown, Mr. Cameron, Mr. Winter Cooke, Mr. Cruickshank, Mr. R. Edwards, Mr. Glynn, Mr. A. C. Groom, Mr. Harper, Mr. Macdonald-Paterson, Mr. McColl, Sir Malcolm McEacharn, Mr. Skene, and Mr. Bruce Smith.

* On leave.

C. GAVAN DUFFY,

Clerk of the House of Representatives.

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