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THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA,
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No. 193.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

FRIDAY, 31ST AUGUST, 1928.

1. The House met, at eleven o'clock a.m., pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker (the Honorable Sir Littleton Groom) took the Chair, and read Prayers.
2. PAPERS.—The following Papers were presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor-General—
 - International Copyright Conference at Rome, 1928—Report by Australian Delegate (Sir W. Harrison Moore).
 Ordered to lie on the Table, and to be printed.
 - Defence—Australian Military Forces—Report for the Inspector-General, by Lieut.-General Sir H. G. Chauvel, G.C.M.G., K.C.B. (Chief of the General Staff), Part I., 31st May, 1928.
 Ordered to lie on the Table.
3. CONSTITUTION ALTERATION (STATE DEBTS) BILL (1928).—Mr. Bruce (Prime Minister) moved, pursuant to notice, That he have leave to bring in a Bill for a Proposed Law to alter the Constitution by inserting therein further Provisions relating to the public debts of the States and the borrowing of money by the Commonwealth and the States.
 - Question—put and passed.
 - Mr. Bruce then brought up the Bill accordingly, and moved, That it be now read a first time.
 - Question—put and passed.—Bill read a first time.
 - Ordered—by leave, That the second reading be made an Order of the Day for a later hour this day.
4. SUPPLY—ESTIMATES—ADDITIONS, NEW WORKS, BUILDINGS, ETC., 1928-29.—The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.

(In the Committee.)

ADDITIONS, NEW WORKS, BUILDINGS, ETC., 1928-29.

Parts 1, 2, and 3, £383,785, further debated.
Progress to be reported, and leave asked to sit again.

The House resumed ; Mr. Mann reported accordingly.
Resolved—That the House will, at a later hour this day, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

5. CONSTITUTION ALTERATION (STATE DEBTS) BILL (1928).—The Order of the Day having been read for the second reading—Mr. Bruce (Prime Minister) moved, That the Bill be now read a second time.
 - Mr. Scullin moved, That the debate be now adjourned.
 - Question—That the debate be now adjourned—put and passed.
 - Ordered—That the resumption of the debate be made an Order of the Day for the next sitting.
6. SUPPLY—ESTIMATES—ADDITIONS, NEW WORKS, BUILDINGS, ETC., 1928-29.—The House, according to Order, again resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.

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ADDITIONS, NEW WORKS, BUILDINGS, ETC., 1928-29.

Parts 1, 2, and 3, £383,785, further debated.

Progress to be reported, and leave asked to sit again.

The House resumed ; Mr. Hurry reported accordingly.

Resolved—That the House will, at the next sitting, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

7. ADJOURNMENT.—Mr. Bruce (Prime Minister) moved, That the House do now adjourn.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and passed.

And then the House, at four o'clock p.m., adjourned until Tuesday next at three o'clock p.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT.—All Members were present (at some time during the sitting) except—Mr. Bayley, Mr. Malcolm Cameron, Mr. Grosvenor Francis, Mr. Albert Green, Mr. Roland Green, Mr. Gregory, Mr. Hughes, Mr. Jackson, Sir Elliot Johnson, Mr. Lacey, Mr. Lazzarini, Mr. Mackay, Mr. Makin, Mr. Marks, Mr. Nelson, Mr. Nott, Mr. Prowse, Mr. Watkins, and Mr. Watt.

E. W. PARKES,

Clerk of the House of Representatives.