THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA. CANBERRA.

No. 20.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

REPRESENTATIVES.

THURSDAY, 14TH MARCH, 1929.

- 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 Paper was presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor-General— Development and Migration Commission-Tasmania-Investigation into present position-Fifth Interim Report (Internal Transport), with Appendices (in substitution for the Report tabled on the 13th February, 1929).

Ordered to lie on the Table, and to be printed.

The following Paper was presented, pursuant to Statute-

Science and Industry Research Act-Second Annual Report of the Council for Scientific and Industrial Research, for year ended 30th June, 1928.

Ordered to be printed.

3. Australian Soldiers' Repatriation Bill (1929).—Sir Neville Howse (Minister in charge of Repatriation) moved, pursuant to notice, That he have leave to bring in a Bill for an Act relating to the Establishment of Appeal Tribunals to deal with Appeals relating to War Pensions.

Question—put and passed.

Sir Neville Howse 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.

Sir Neville Howse moved, by leave, That the Bill be now read a second time.

Mr. Coleman 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.

4. Message from the Governor-General.—Supply Bill (No. 1) 1929-30.—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor-General was presented, and the same was read by Mr. Speaker STONEHAVEN,

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 grant and apply a sum out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund for the service of the year ending the thirtieth day of June, One thousand nine hundred and thirty.

Canberra, 13th March, 1929.

Ordered—That the foregoing Message be referred to the Committee of Supply forthwith.

5. Supply Resolution—Supply Bill.—The Order of the Day having been read for going into the Committee of Supply-

Question—That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair—put and passed.
Whereupon Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.

(In the Committee.)

Supply Bill (No. 1) 1929-30.

Mr. Earle Page (Treasurer) moved, That there be granted to His Majesty for or towards defraying the services of the year 1929-30 a sum not exceeding £5,705,573.

Question—put and passed.

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

The House resumed; Mr. Mackay reported accordingly.

Resolved-That the House will, at a later hour this day, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

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- 6. Suspension of Standing Orders.—Mr. Earle Page (Treasurer) moved, pursuant to contingent notice, That the Standing Orders be suspended to enable the remaining stages to be passed without delay. Question—put and passed.
- 7. Supply Resolution.—The Resolution reported from the Committee of Supply was read, and, on the motion of Mr. Earle Page (Treasurer), was adopted by the House.
- 8. Ways and Means Resolution.—The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Ways and Means.

(In the Committee.)

Supply Bill (No. 1) 1929-30.

Mr. Earle Page (Treasurer) moved, That, towards making good the Supply granted to His Majesty for the services of the year 1929-30, there be granted out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund a sum not exceeding £5,705,573.

Question—put and passed.

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

The House resumed; Mr. Mackay reported accordingly.

Resolved—That the House will, at a later hour this day, again resolve itself into the said Committee. The Resolution reported from the Committee was read, and, on the motion of Mr. Earle Page, was adopted by the House.

Ordered—That Mr. Earle Page and Mr. Bruce do prepare and bring in a Bill to carry out the foregoing

Resolution.

9. Supply Bill (No. 1) 1929-30.—Mr. Earle Page (Treasurer) then brought up a Bill intituled "A Bill for an Act to grant and apply a sum out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund for the service of the year ending the thirtieth day of June One thousand nine hundred and thirty," and moved, That it be now read a first time.

Question—put and passed.—Bill read a first time.

Mr. Earle Page moved, That the Bill be now read a second time.

Debate ensued.

Mr. Roland Green addressing the House, and not having concluded his speech—the House ordered that the honorable Member 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 the next sitting.

10. Message from the Senate.—Financial Agreement Validation Bill.—Mr. Speaker announced the receipt of the following Message from the Senate:—

MR. SPEAKER,

Message No. 8

The Senate returns to the House of Representatives the Bill for "An Act to validate an Agreement made the twelfth day of December One thousand nine hundred and twenty-seven between the Commonwealth of Australia of the first part and the States of New South Wales, Victoria, Queensland, South Australia, Western Australia and Tasmania of the second, third, fourth, fifth, sixth and seventh parts respectively," and acquaints the House that the Senate has agreed to the Bill without amendment.

John Newlands,

President.

The Senate, Canberra, 14th March, 1929.

11. ADJOURNMENT.—Mr. Bruce (Prime Minister) moved, That the House do now adjourn. Question—put and passed.

And then the House, at eleven o'clock p.m., adjourned until to-morrow at eleven o'clock a.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT.—All Members were present (at some time during the sitting) except—Mr. Jackson, Mr. W. Maloney, Mr. Thompson, and Mr. Watt.

E. W. PARKES, Clerk of the House of Representatives.