THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA. CANBERRA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

REPRESENTATIVES. HOUSE OF

No. 8.

THURSDAY, 28TH APRIL, 1938.

- 1. The House met, at half-past two o'clock p.m., pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker (the Honorable G. J. Bell) took the Chair, and read Prayers.
- 2. PAPERS.—The following Papers were presented, by command of His Excellency the Administrator-Aeronautical Research-Report, dated 21st December, 1937, by H. E. Wimperis, on the Inauguration of Aeronautical Research in Australia.

Secondary Industries Testing and Research—Extension of activities of Council for Scientific and Industrial Research-Report (February, 1937) of Committee appointed to report thereon

Severally ordered to lie on the Table, and to be printed.

The following Papers were presented, pursuant to Statute-

Commonwealth Bank Act-Treasurer's Statement of combined accounts of Commonwealth Bank and Commonwealth Savings Bank, at 31st December, 1937; together with certificate of the Auditor-General.

Lands Acquisition Act—Land acquired at Bullsbrook, Western Australia—For Defence purposes.

3. Public Works Committee—Reference of Work—Community Hospital, Canberra.—Mr. Cameron (Acting Minister for Health) moved, pursuant to notice, That, in accordance with the provisions of the Commonwealth Public Works Committee Act 1913-1936, the following proposed work be referred to the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Public Works for investigation and report :- Canberra, Federal Capital Territory—Erection of a Community Hospital.

Mr. Cameron having laid on the Table plans, &c., in connexion with the proposed work-Question—put and passed.

4. ASHMORE AND CARTIER ISLANDS ACCEPTANCE BILL 1938.—Mr. McEwen (Minister for the Interior) moved, pursuant to notice, That he have leave to bring in a Bill for an Act to amend the Ashmore and Cartier Islands Acceptance Act 1933.

Question--put and passed.

Mr. McEwen 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—That the second reading be made an Order of the Day for the next sitting.

- 5. PASSPORTS BILL 1938.—Mr. McEwen (Minister for the Interior) moved, pursuant to notice, That he have leave to bring in a Bill for an Act relating to Passports. Question—put and passed.
- 6. Therapeutic Substances Bill 1938.—Mr. Cameron (Acting Minister for Health) moved, pursuant to notice, That he have leave to bring in a Bill for an Act to amend the Therapeutic Substances Act 1937.

Question—put and passed.

Mr. Cameron 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—That the second reading be made an Order of the Day for the next sitting.

7. LOAN BILL 1938.—The Order of the Day having been read for the resumption of the debate on the question, That the Bill be now read a second time-

Debate resumed.

Mr. Cameron (Acting Minister for Commerce) 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.

8. Adjournment.—Mr. Casey (Treasurer) moved, That the House do now adjourn.

Debate ensued. Question—put and passed.

And then the House, at twenty-one minutes to eleven o'clock p.m., adjourned until to-morrow at half-past

MEMBERS PRESENT.—All Members were present (at some time during the sitting) except—Mr. Blain, Mr. Fadden, Mr. Green, Mr. Hunter, Mr. Menzies, Mr. Mulcahy, Sir Earle Page, Sir Frederick Stewart, and Mr. White.

> F. C. GREEN, Clerk of the House of Representatives.