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THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH.

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VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.'

FRIDAY, 8TH DECEMBER, 1905.

- 1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair, and read Prayers.
- 2. Manufactures Encouragement.—Sir William Lyne moved, pursuant to notice, That the House do now resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole for the purpose of considering the desirability of introducing a Bill for an Act to encourage Manufactures in Australia by altering the provisions for bringing into operation Part VIa. of the Schedule to the Customs Tariff 1902.
 - Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

 Mr. Speaker thereupon left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole.

 Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Salmon reported that the Committee had agreed to the following resolution:—
 - Resolved—That it is expedient to encourage manufactures in Australia by altering the provisions for bringing into operation Part VIA. of the Schedule to the Customs Tariff 1902.
 - And the said resolution was, on the motion of Sir William Lyne, adopted by the House. Ordered, after debate—That Sir William Lyne and Mr. Deakin do prepare and bring in a Bill tocarry out the foregoing resolution.
- 3. Manufactures Encouragement Bill (No. 3).—Sir William Lyne then brought up a Bill intituled "A Bill for an Act to encourage Manufactures in Australia by altering the provisions for bringing into operation Part VIA. of the Schedule to the Customs Tariff 1902," and moved—That it be now read a first time.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a first time.

Ordered—That the second reading be made an Order of the Day for the next day of sitting.

4. Electoral Bill (1905).—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.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a second time.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole.

- Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Salmon reported that the Committee had made progress in the Bill, and that he was directed to ask, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.
- Resolved—That the House will, at its next day of sitting, again resolve itself into the said Committee.
- 5. Postponement of Orders of the Day.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day Government Business, Nos. 2, 3, and 4 be postponed until the next day of sitting.

- 6. AGREEMENT WITH EASTERN EXTENSION COMPANY.—SENATE'S MESSAGE, No. 25.—The Order of the Day having been read for the consideration in Committee of the whole House of the Senate's Message, No. 25.—Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole.
 - Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Salmon reported that the Committee had considered the Message of the Senate, and had concurred in the resolution transmitted therewith, which is as follows:—
 - "That the Senate ratifies an agreement entered into between the Government of the Commonwealth and the Eastern Extension Company, copy of which was laid on the Table of the Senate, 19th August, 1903, but only upon the following condition, namely, that instead of article 25 of the agreement, the following shall be article 25 thereof, that is to say:—
 - '(25) This agreement shall be in substitution for the two agreements and the provisional arrangement mentioned in the fourth recital of this agreement. This agreement shall expire on the 31st day of December, 1915.'

provided further that the company shall within three months from the 1st January, 1906, execute the agreement as so amended."

On the motion of Mr. Chapman the House, after debate, adopted the Report.

Ordered—That a Message be transmitted to the Senate acquainting them with the concurrence of the House with the resolution.

- 7. DISCHARGE OF ORDER OF THE DAY—MANUFACTURES ENCOURAGEMENT BILL (No. 2).—The Order of the Day for the resumption of the debate on the second reading of this Bill was read and discharged.
- 8. ALTERATION OF DAY OF NEXT MEETING.—Mr. Deakin moved, That the House, at its rising, adjourn until Monday next at half-past two o'clock p.m.

 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
- 9. Adjournment.—Mr. Deakin moved, That the House do now adjourn. Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
- And then the House, at three minutes past three o'clock p.m., adjourned until Monday next at half-past two o'clock p.m.

Members Present.—All Members were present except—Sir Langdon Bonython, Mr. Brown, Mr. Cameron, Mr. Conroy, Mr. G. B. Edwards, Mr. Fowler, Sir Philip Fysh, Mr. Gibb, Mr. Glynn, Mr. Harper, Mr. Hughes, Mr. Kennedy, Mr. Kingston, Mr. Mahon, Mr. Phillips, Sir John Quick, Mr. Reid, Mr. Bruce Smith, Mr. Sydney Smith, Mr. Thomas, Sir George Turner, and Mr. Willis.

C. GAVAN DUFFY, Clerk of the House of Representatives.