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THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH.

No. 5.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

THURSDAY, 14TH JUNE, 1906.

- 1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair, and read Prayers.
- 2. Papers.—Mr. Deakin presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor-General—

Preferential Trade with South Africa—Correspondence.

Federal Capital Site—Correspondence respecting the Resolutions passed by the New South Wales Parliament.

Conference of Commonwealth and State Premiers and Ministers—Report of Debates: together with Agenda Papers, Minutes of Proceedings, and Appendices. Sydney, April, 1906.

Sir William Lyne presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor-General-

Navigation Bill-Report of the Royal Commission.

Tobacco—Report of the Royal Commission.

Rabbit Destruction—Report by Mr. W. J. P. Giddings, Editor of Faulding's Medical Journal, on Dr. Danysz's proposed experiments.

Severally ordered to lie on the Table.

Mr. Deakin presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament—

Immigration Restriction Acts 1901-1905—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1906, No. 10.

Sir John Forrest presented, pursuant to the direction of an Act of Parliament-

Audit Act 1901—Transfers of amounts approved by the Governor-General in Council—Financial Year 1905-6 (dated 12th June, 1906).

- 3. Rabbit Destruction—Dr. Danysz's Experiments.—Mr. Hughes moved, pursuant to notice, That this House is of the opinion that, as the introduction of the microbes proposed by Dr. Danysz for the destruction of rabbits in the State of New South Wales may prove inimical to human and other animal life of Australia, it should not be permitted except for laboratory experiments. Debate ensued.
 - Mr. Frazer moved as an amendment, That the following words be added to the motion:—"until such time as Parliament or the Government, if Parliament is not in session, is satisfied, by the investigations of a duly appointed scientific committee approved by the Parliament, that outside experiments will be harmless."

Debate continued.

The time allowed for the precedence of General Business having terminated-

- 4. Postponement of Government Business.—Mr. Deakin, at half-past seven o'clock, moved, That the consideration of Government Business be postponed until nine o'clock this evening. Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
- 5. Rabbit Destruction—Dr. Danysz's Experiments.—The debate (interrupted as above) was resumed.

 Mr. Maloney moved, That the debate be now adjourned.

 Question—That the debate be now adjourned—put and resolved in the affirmative.

 Ordered—That the resumption of the debate be made an Order of the Day for to-morrow.
- 6. Postponement of Motion.—Ordered—That Notice of Motion, General Business No. 2, be a Notice of Motion for Thursday, 9th August next.

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7. CANTEEN BILL.—Mr. Mauger moved, pursuant to notice, That he have leave to bring in a Bill for an Act relating to Military Canteens.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

Mr. Mauger then brought up a Bill intituled "A Bill for an Act relating to Military Canteens," 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 Thursday, 19th July next.
- 8. Postponement of Motions,—Ordered—That Notice of Motion, General Business No. 4, be a Notice of Motion for Thursday, 12th July next; and that the Notices of Motion, Government Business, be Notices of Motion for to-morrow.
- 9. Paper.—Sir William Lyne presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor-General-Royal Commission on Customs and Excise Tariffs-
 - A Digest of Evidence given before the Commission in reference to-
 - (A) Spirits and the Distillation of Spirits.(B) The Wine Industry of Australia.

 - (c) Industrial Alcohol.

(Prepared for the use of the Chairman.)

- Ordered to lie on the Table, and to be printed in substitution for the Digest of Evidence presented to the House on Friday last.
- 10. Australian Industries Preservation Bill.—The Order of the Day having been read for the second reading of this Bill, Sir William Lyne moved, That the Bill be now read a second time.

Mr. Dugald Thomson moved, That the debate be now adjourned.

Question—That the debate be now adjourned—put and resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered—That the resumption of the debate be made an Order of the Day for Tuesday next.

11. Paper.—Sir William Lyne presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor-General-

Anti-Trust Legislation in the United States, and the Legislation of Canada and New Zealand for the Prevention of Dumping-Memorandum on.

Ordered to lie on the Table and to be printed.

- 12. Adjournment.—Mr. Deakin moved, That the House do now adjourn. Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
- And then the House, at twenty-two minutes to eleven o'clock p.m., adjourned until to-morrow at half-past ten o'clock a.m.

MEMBERS	PRESEN	vr.—All N	Members	were pres	ent	(at some	time	durin	g the	sittin	g) excep	t-N	fr. Cl	aapman,
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C. GAVAN DUFFY, Clerk of the House of Representatives.