THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH.

No. 55.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

WEDNESDAY, 12TH SEPTEMBER, 1906.

- 1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair, and read Prayers.
- 2. Mr. W. P. HALLAM: SERVICES IN REGARD TO TELEPHONE SYSTEMS.-Mr. G. B. Edwards moved, pursuant to notice, That there be laid upon the Table of the House a Return showing the nature and extent of any special services rendered by William P. Hallam, telegraph operator at Hobart, in connexion with-
 - (a) The telephone system of Western Australia;
 - (b) The telephone system of Queensland;

Also what recognition these services have received in promotion or otherwise. Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

- 3. Time of Meeting on Wednesdays and Thursdays.—Mr. Deakin moved, pursuant to notice, That, unless otherwise ordered, the hour of meeting of the House on each Wednesday and Thursday for the remainder of the Session shall be half-past ten o'clock in the morning. Debate ensued.
 - Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
- 4. PAPER.—Mr. Ewing presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament.

Defence Acts 1903-1904-

Military Forces-Financial and Allowance Regulations-Compensation in case of permanent injury or death. Paragraphs 131 and 135—Statutory Rules 1906, No. 67.

- 5. Ways and Means.—The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Ways and Means.
 - Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. McDonald reported that the Committee had made progress, and that he was directed to ask, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved — That the House will, to-morrow, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

6. Adjournment.—Mr. Deakin moved, That the House do now adjourn. Debate ensued.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

Members Present.—All Members were present (at some time during the sitting) except—Mr. Bamford, Mr. Batchelor, Mr. Conroy, Mr. Fowler, Mr. Fuller, Mr. Gibb, Mr. Hutchison, Mr. Kingston, Mr. Liddell, Sir William Lyne, Mr. Phillips, Mr. Reid, Mr. Skene, Mr. Sydney Smith, Mr. David Thomson, and Mr. Watkins.

. On leave.

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