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VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

TUESDAY, 19TH NOVEMBER, 1907.

- 1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair, and read Prayers.
- 2. Petitions.—Mr. John Thomson presented a Petition from fishermen, Cape Hawke, New South Wales, praying that the duties on fishing nets and cork floats may be remitted.

Petitions were presented as under from electors of South Australia, praying that the House will reduce the duties on agricultural implements and all articles of manufacture essential to cultivation, depasturing sheep and cattle, mining, and the general requisites for the development of natural resources—

By Mr. Hutchison-

Three petitions, with 30, 37, and 19 signatures respectively.

By Mr. Poynton-

Four petitions, with 41, 60, 37, and 5 signatures respectively.

Petitions severally received.

3. Papers.—Mr. Chapman presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor-General—

Excise Tariff (Agricultural Machinery) 1906—Judgment of Mr. Justice Higgins, President of the Commonwealth Court of Conciliation and Arbitration in the matter of the application of H. V. McKay, for an order in terms of section 2 (b).

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

Mr. Mauger presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor-General-

Mail Service to Europe—Statement showing amounts of the three lowest tenders.

Postage Stamps—Report of Board appointed to consider and report on the best methods to be adopted to secure a suitable issue of postage stamps.

Severally ordered to lie on the Table.

4. Commerce (Trade Descriptions) Bill (1907).—Mr. Chapman moved, pursuant to notice given by Mr. Groom, That he have leave to bring in a Bill for an Act to amend the Commerce (Trade Descriptions) Act 1905.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

Mr. Chapman then brought up a Bill intituled "A Bill for an Act to amend the Commerce (Trade Descriptions) Act 1905," 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 to-morrow.

- 5. Manufactures Encouragement Bill (1907).—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—
 - Mr. Fisher moved, as an amendment, That the following words be added to the motion:—"and the Committee on the Bill be instructed to incorporate in the Bill provision for the nationalization of the iron industry."

Debate continued.

Mr. Webster 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.

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6. Adjournment.—Sir William Lyne moved, That the House do now adjourn. Debate ensued.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

Members Present.—All Members were present (at some time during the sitting) except—Mr. Thomas Brown, Mr. Carr, Mr. Glynn, Mr. Hall, Mr. Johnson, Mr. Kelly*, and Mr. Kingston*.

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