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## **No. 3**.

### PROCEEDINGS VOTES AND

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#### REPRESENTATIVES. HOUSE ()F

## FRIDAY, 18TH SEPTEMBER, 1908.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.-Mr. Speaker took the Chair, and read Prayers.

2. Address in Reply to His Excellency the Governor-General's Speech.-The Order of the Day having been read for the resumption of the debate on the question-That the following Address in Reply to the Speech of His Excellency the Governor-General be agreed to by this House :--

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY-

We, the House of Representatives of the Parliament of the Commonwealth of Australia, in Parliament assembled, beg to express our loyalty to our Most Gracious Sovereign, and to thank Your Excellency for the Speech which you have been pleased to address to Parliament.-

Debate resumed.

Mr. Frazer 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.

3. PAPERS .--- Mr. Deakin presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor-General-

Exhibition Bureau—Letter from Mr. H. J. Scott, recommending the establishment of an Exhibition Bureau as a branch of the proposed Intelligence Department of the Commonwealth.

Ordered to lie on the Table.

Mr. Hume Cook presented, pursuant to Statute-

Census and Statistics Act-

Official Year-Book of the Commonwealth-No. 1-1901 to 1907.

Australian Commonwealth-Its Resources and Production.

Official Bulletins-

No. 16.—April, 1908.

No. 17.—May, 1908. No. 18.—June, 1908.

Population and Vital Statistics-

No. 6.—Quarter ended 31st December, 1907. No. 7.—Summary of Commonwealth Demography, 1901 to 1907.

No. 8.—For 1907.

- 4. ADJOURNMENT.-Sir William Lyne moved, That the House do now adjourn. Question-put and resolved in the affirmative.
- And then the House at four minutes to four o'clock p.m., adjourned until Tuesday next at three o'clock p.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT.-All Members were present (at some time during the sitting) except-Mr. Batchelor, Mr. Tilley Brown, Mr. Thomas Brown, Mr. Carr, Mr. Edwards, Mr. Fairbairn, Mr. Fuller, Mr. Glynn, Mr. Hall, Mr. Harper, Mr. Hughes, Mr. Hutchison, Mr. Hans Irvine, Mr. Livingston, Mr. McDougall, Mr. Poynton, Sir John Quick, Mr. Reid, Mr. Roberts, Mr. Sampson, Mr. Bruce Smith, Mr. Webster, and Mr. Wilson.

C. GAVAN DUFFY,

Clerk of the House of Representatives.

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