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THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH

No. 15.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

THURSDAY, 8TH JULY, 1909.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair, and read Prayers.
2. PRINTING COMMITTEE—FIRST REPORT FROM.—Mr. Willis, for the Chairman, brought up the First Report from the Printing Committee (sitting in Conference with the Printing Committee of the Senate).
The Report was read by the Clerk, and is as follows :—

REPORT.

The Printing Committee have the honour to report that they have met in Conference with the Printing Committee of the Senate.
The Joint Committee, having considered the undermentioned Petitions and Papers presented to Parliament, make the following recommendations with respect to such of them as were not ordered by either House to be printed :—

Subject of Paper.	Recommendation of Committee.	Remarks.
Petitions—		
Abolition of State Governments and Parliaments —From certain electors, praying that referendum may be taken on subject. (Two petitions)	No recommendation	
Papers—		
Audit Acts—		
Statutory Rules 1908, Nos. 131 and 134 ...	"	Already in print and circulated to Members
Transfers, Financial Year, 1908-9—Dated—19th December, 1908; 8th January, 1909; 9th February, 1909; 5th March, 1909; 1st April, 1909; 23rd April, 1909; 5th June, 1909	"	
Bounties Act—Statutory Rules 1909, No. 49 ...	"	Already in print and circulated to Members
Census and Statistics Act—		
Statutory Rules 1909, No. 60 ...	"	"
Official Year-Book of Commonwealth, No. 2—1901 to 1908	"	"
Railways, Government, Report on Desirability of Improved Statistics	"	"
Trade and Customs and Excise Revenue, 1907	"	"
Official Bulletins—		
Finance—No. 2 ...	"	"
Population and Vital Statistics—Nos. 9, 10, 11, and 12	"	"
Production—No. 2 ...	"	"
Trade, Shipping, Oversea Migration, and	"	"
Finance—Nos. 20 to 27	"	"
Transport and Communication—No. 2 ...	"	"
Commerce (Trade Descriptions) Act—Statutory Rules 1908, No. 127	"	"
Conciliation and Arbitration Act—Rule of Court—Statutory Rules 1909, No. 61	"	"
Contract Immigrants Act—Return for year 1908	To be printed	
Customs Act—Statutory Rules 1909, Nos. 14, 65; and 1908, No. 126	No recommendation	Already in print and circulated to Members
Defence—		
Imperial Naval and Military Conference—Further correspondence	"	
War and Peace Establishments of Military Forces	"	

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REPORT—continued.

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<i>Papers—continued.</i>		
Defence Acts—Statutory Rules 1908, Nos. 128, 129, and 130; and 1909, Nos. 3, 4, 7, 8, 9, 10, 12, 13, 16, 17, 22, 23, 25, 28, 31, 33, 34, 35, 39, 40, 46, 51, 52, 53, 54, 55, 59, 62, 63, 64, 66	No recommendation	Already in print and circulated to Members
Electoral Acts—Statutory Rules 1909, No. 18 ...	"	" "
Electoral Acts and Tasmanian Electoral Act—Statutory Rules 1909, No. 29	"	" "
Excise Act—Statutory Rules 1909, Nos. 27 and 58	"	" "
Exports to German Possessions in South Seas—Return	"	" "
Kalgoorlie to Port Augusta Railway—Survey of Route—Report by H. Deane, M.I.C.E.	To be printed	
Immigration Restriction Acts—Return for year 1908	"	
Invalid and Old-age Pensions Act—Statutory Rules 1909, No. 47	No recommendation	Already in print and circulated to Members
Lands Acquisition Act—		
Notifications of land acquired at—Adelong, Coff's Harbor, Enoggera, Kyamba, Maryborough, Newcastle, Singleton, Wentworth Falls, Yass	"	Published in <i>Gazette</i>
Notification of land leased at Shark's Bay	"	" "
Manufactures Encouragement Act—Statutory Rules 1909, Nos. 15 and 48	"	Already in print and circulated to Members
Meteorology Act—Statutory Rules 1909, No. 5 ...	"	" "
Naturalization Act—Return showing number of persons granted certificates during 1908	To be printed	
Papua—		
Ordinances of 1908—Nos. 12 to 18 } ...	"	
Ordinances of 1909—Nos. 1 and 2; } ...	"	
Sago; Land	"	
Lands privately held—Return ...	"	
Progress of Territory—Reports by Hon. Staniforth Smith—		
Dated 25th February, 1909 ...	No recommendation	
Dated 3rd April, 1909 ...	"	
atents Acts—Statutory Rules 1909, Nos. 2 and 19	"	Already in print and circulated to Members
Post and Telegraph Act—Statutory Rules 1908, No. 117; 1909, Nos. 24, 37, 38, 42, and 70	"	" "
Public Service—		
Accidents to Commonwealth Employés ...	"	
Employés receiving salaries of £300 and over ...	To be printed	
Public Service Act—		
Statutory Rules 1908, No. 125; 1909, Nos. 6, 26, 44, 45, 50, and 68	No recommendation	Already in print circulated to Members
List of Permanent Officers, 1st January, 1909 ...	"	Published in <i>Gazette</i>
Recommendations <i>re</i> Appointments or Promotions, in cases of—P. C. Barnes, T. G. Brent, D. W. Crawford, J. H. Durant, A. S. Higgs, P. Howe, H. J. Huffer, H. R. Jupp, J. A. S. Kayser, J. H. R. King, G. Lightfoot, C. E. McKenzie, G. H. Morgan, R. S. Orr, T. Oxenham, B. T. Paton, J. C. T. Vardon, H. C. O. Willgerodt, F. C. Williams, C. Woodland	"	
South African Union—		
Message of felicitation to the people of South Africa	"	
Reply to message of felicitation ...	"	
Sugar Bounty Act—Statutory Rules 1909, No. 43	"	Already in print and circulated to Members
Vessels trading to or from Australia—Accidents to Propellers, from 1st January, 1901.—Return	To be printed	

Committee Room,
8th July, 1909.

HENRY WILLIS,
For Chairman.

Mr. Willis moved, by leave, That the Report be adopted.
Debate ensued.
Question—put.

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The House divided—

Ayes, 32.		Noes, 27.	
Mr. Archer	Mr. Johnson	Mr. Bamford	Mr. McDonald
Mr. Atkinson	Mr. Mauger	Mr. Batchelor	Mr. McDougall
Mr. Bowden	Mr. McWilliams	Mr. Thomas Brown	Mr. O'Malley
Mr. Joseph Cook	Mr. Palmer	Mr. Carr	Mr. Page
Mr. Coon	Sir John Quick	Mr. Catts	Mr. Poynton
Mr. Deakin	Mr. Reid	Mr. Chanter	Mr. Storrer
Mr. Edwards	Mr. Salmon	Mr. Fisher	Mr. Thomas
Sir Thomas Ewing	Mr. Sampson	Mr. Foster	Mr. Tudor
Sir John Forrest	Mr. Sinclair	Mr. Frazer	Mr. Webster
Mr. Fowler	Mr. Dugald Thomson	Mr. Hall	Mr. Wise
Mr. Fuller	Mr. John Thomson	Mr. Hughes	
Sir Philip Fysh	Mr. Wilks	Mr. Hutchison	
Mr. Glynn	Mr. Willis	Sir William Lyne	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Groom		Mr. Maloney	Mr. Spence
Mr. Harper	<i>Tellers.</i>	Mr. Mathews	Mr. Watkins
Mr. Hedges	Mr. Hume Cook		
Mr. Hans Irvine	Mr. Crouch		

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

3. WANT OF CONFIDENCE IN THE GOVERNMENT.—The Order of the Day having been read for the resumption of the debate on the following motion of Mr. Fisher :—That the Government does not possess the confidence of this House—

Debate resumed.

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.

4. PAPER.—Mr. Deakin presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor-General—

Prickly Pear—Report on the Plant known as the Prickly Pear—by Senator James H. McColl.

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

5. ADJOURNMENT.—Mr. Deakin moved, That the House do now adjourn.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

And then the House, at a quarter 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. Chapman*, Colonel Foxton*, Mr. Knox, Mr. Liddell, Mr. Livingston, Mr. Bruce Smith, Mr. Watson*, and Mr. Wilson.

* On leave.

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