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THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH.

No. 33.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

TUESDAY, 7TH OCTOBER, 1913.

1. The House met, at three o'clock p.m., pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair, and read Prayers.
2. PAPERS.—Sir John Forrest presented, pursuant to Statute—
Telegraphs and Telephones Special Works Account Act—Transfers of Moneys (dated 17th September, 1913).
Mr. W. H. Irvine presented, pursuant to Statute—
Public Service Act—Appointment of A. C. Brown, N. L. Shiels, and D. J. Wilkie, as Assistant Examiners, Class F, Professional Division, Patents and Trade Marks Branch, Attorney-General's Department.
Mr. Kelly presented, pursuant to Statute—
Defence Act—Regulations amended (Provisional)—
Military College—
Statutory Rules 1913, Nos. 248, 249.
Military Forces—
(Regulations)—Statutory Rules 1913, No. 246.
(Financial and Allowance)—Statutory Rules 1913, No. 244.
Universal Training—Statutory Rules 1913, No. 245.
3. ELECTORAL BILL (1913).—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—
Debate resumed.
Mr. McDonald addressing the House, and not having concluded his speech, the House ordered that he have leave to continue his speech when the debate is resumed.
Ordered—That the debate be now adjourned, and that the resumption of the debate be made an Order of the Day for a later hour this day.
4. EXCISE TARIFF [SUGAR] BILL (1913).—The Order of the Day having been read for the third reading—Mr. Groom moved, That the Bill be now read a third time.
Debate ensued.
Question—put and passed.—Bill read a third time.
5. MESSAGE FROM THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL.—TASMANIA GRANT BILL (1913).—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor-General was presented, and the same was read by Mr. Speaker :—

DENMAN,

*Governor-General.**Message No. 11.*

In accordance with the requirements of section fifty-six of the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Australia, the Governor-General recommends to the House of Representatives that an appropriation of revenue be made for the purposes of a Bill for an Act to grant and apply out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund the sum of Four hundred thousand pounds for the purposes of further financial assistance to the State of Tasmania.

Government House,
Melbourne, 7th October, 1913.

Ordered—That the consideration of the foregoing Message in Committee of the whole House be made an Order of the Day for to-morrow.

7th October, 1913.

6. MESSAGE FROM THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL.—LOAN BILL (1913).—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor-General was presented, and the same was read by Mr. Speaker :—

DENMAN,

*Governor-General.**Message No. 12.*

In accordance with the requirements of section fifty-six of the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Australia, the Governor-General recommends to the House of Representatives that an appropriation of moneys be made for the purposes of a Bill for an Act to authorize the raising and expending of the sum of Three million and eighty thousand pounds for certain purposes.

Government House,
Melbourne, 7th October, 1913.

Ordered—That the consideration of the foregoing Message in Committee of the whole House be made an Order of the Day for to-morrow.

7. MESSAGE FROM THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL.—INVALID AND OLD-AGE PENSIONS BILL (1913).—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor-General was presented, and the same was read by Mr. Speaker :—

DENMAN,

*Governor-General.**Message No. 13.*

In accordance with the requirements of section fifty-six of the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Australia, the Governor-General recommends to the House of Representatives that an appropriation of revenue be made for the purposes of a Bill for an Act relating to sections seven and eight of the *Invalid and Old-age Pensions Act 1912*, relating to claims made for Invalid and Old-age Pensions by persons who are unfit to be intrusted with pensions, relating to payment of Invalid and Old-age Pensions in respect of periods during which pensioners are inmates of benevolent asylums or hospitals, and relating to payments on the decease of Invalid and Old-age Pensioners.

Government House,
Melbourne, 7th October, 1913.

Ordered—That the consideration of the foregoing Message in Committee of the whole House be made an Order of the Day for to-morrow.

8. MESSAGE FROM THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL.—PUBLIC DEBTS BILL.—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor-General was presented, and the same was read by Mr. Speaker :—

DENMAN,

*Governor-General.**Message No. 14.*

In accordance with the requirements of section fifty-six of the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Australia, the Governor-General recommends to the House of Representatives that an appropriation of revenue be made for the purposes of a Bill for an Act relating to Public Debts.

Government House,
Melbourne, 7th October, 1913.

Ordered—That the consideration of the foregoing Message in Committee of the whole House be made an Order of the Day for to-morrow.

9. ADJOURNMENT.—Mr. Joseph Cook moved, That the House do now adjourn.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and passed.

And then the House, at one minute past 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. Abbott, Mr. Bamford, Sir Robert Best, Mr. Carr, Mr. Catts, Mr. Chapman, Mr. Fleming, Mr. Hannan, Mr. Howe, Mr. Hughes, Mr. W. Maloney, Mr. Mathews, Mr. Orchard, Mr. Pigott, Mr. Sharpe, Mr. Laird Smith, Mr. Stumm, and Mr. West.

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