### THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA.

#### No. 2.

## VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

# HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

#### FRIDAY, 27th FEBRUARY, 1920.

- 1. The House met, at eleven o'clock a.m., pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair, and read Prayers.
- 2. Member Sworn.-Mr. McDonald made and subscribed the Oath required by law.
- 3. Suspension of Standing Orders—Supply.—Mr. Hughes moved, That the Standing Orders be suspended in order to enable the Committees of Supply and Ways and Means to be appointed before the Address in Reply to His Excellency the Governor-General's Opening Speech has been agreed to by the House, and to enable all other steps to be at once taken to obtain Supply, and to pass a Supply Bill through all its stages without delay.

Question—put and passed, with the concurrence of an absolute majority of the Members of the House.

4. CHAIRMAN OF COMMITTEES.—Mr. Atkinson moved, That the honorable Member for Riverina (the Honorable John Moore Chanter) be appointed Chairman of Committees of this House.

Mr. Blakeley moved, as an amendment, That the words "Riverina (the Honorable John Moore Chanter)" be omitted, and that in place thereof the words "Dalley (Mr. William George Mahony)" be inserted.

Debate continued.

Question—That the amendment be agreed to—put.

The House divided-

Ayes, 22	<b>3.</b>	Noes, 42.	
Mr. Blakeley	Mr. Parker Moloney	Mr. Atkinson	Mr. Kerby
Mr. Brennan	Mr. Nicholls	Mr. Bamford	Mr. Lamond
Mr. Cunningham	Mr. Riley	Mr. Bayley	Mr. Lister
Mr. Fenton	Mr. Ryan	Mr. Bell	Mr. Livingston
Mr. Gabb	Mr. Stewart	Sir Robert Best	Mr. Mackay
Mr. Hill	Mr. Tudor .	$\mathbf{M}$ r. Bowden	Mr. Marks
Mr. Lavelle	Mr. Watkins	Mr. Bruce	Mr. Charles Marr
Mr. Lazzarini	Mr. West	Mr. Donald Cameron	Mr. Maxwell
Mr. Hugh Mahon		Mr. Austin Chapman	Mr. McWilliams
Mr. Makin	Tellers:	Sir Joseph Cook	Mr. Earle Page
Mr. W. Maloney	Mr. Mathews	Mr. Corser	Mr. Poynton
Mr. McDonald	Mr. James Page	Mr. Fleming	Mr. Prowse
		Mr. R. W. Foster	Mr. Rodgers
		Mr. Francis	Sir Granville Ryrie
		Mr. Gibson	Mr. Laird Smith
•		Mr. Greene	Mr. Watt
		Mr. Gregory	Mr. Wienholt
		Mr. Groom	Mr. Wise
	i	Mr. Hay	
		Mr. Hughes	Tellers:
		Mr. Jackson	Mr. Burchell
	c	Mr. Jowett	Mr. Story

And so it was negatived. F.255.

Question—That the honorable Member for Riverina (the Honorable John Moore Chanter) be appointed Chairman of Committees of this House—put.

The House divided-

Ayes, 43.		Noes, 20.		
Ayes, 43.  Mr. Atkinson Mr. Bamford Mr. Bayley Mr. Bell Sir Robert Best Mr. Bowden Mr. Bruce Mr. Donald Cameron Mr. Austin Chapman Sir Joseph Cook Mr. Corser Mr. Fleming Mr. R. W. Foster Mr. Francis Mr. Gibson Mr. Greene Mr. Gregory	Mr. Lamond Mr. Lister Mr. Livingston Mr. Mackay Mr. Marks Mr. Charles Marr Mr. Maxwell Mr. McWilliams Mr. Earle Page Mr. Poynton Mr. Prowse Mr. Rodgers Sir Granville Ryrie Mr. Laird Smith Mr. Stewart Mr. Watt Mr. Wienholt	Noes, 20 Mr. Blakeley Mr. Brennan Mr. Cunningham Mr. Gabb Mr. Lavelle Mr. Lazzarini Mr. Hugh Mahon Mf. William Mahony Mr. Makin Mr. W. Maloney Mr. Mathews	Mr. McDonald Mr. Parker Moloney Mr. Nicholls Mr. Riley Mr. Ryan Mr. Watkins Mr. West  Tellers: Mr. Fenton Mr. James Page	
Mr. Gibson	Mr. Stewart	,		
Mr. Gregory Mr. Groom Mr. Hay	Mr. Wienholt Mr. Wise			
Mr. Hay Mr. Hill Mr. Jackson	Tellers ;			
Mr. Jowett Mr. Kerby	Mr. Burchell Mr. Story		•	

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Whereupon Mr. Chanter made his acknowledgments to the House, and was congratulated by Sir Joseph Cook and Mr. Watt.

5. Supply.—Mr. Watt moved, That the House do now resolve itself into a Committee to consider the Supply to be granted to His Majesty.

Mr. Ryan, 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 Wednesday next.

6. ADJOURNMENT.—Mr. Hughes moved, That the House do now adjourn. Question—put and passed.

And then the House, at three minutes to one o'clock p.m., adjourned until Wednesday next, at three o'clock p.m.

Members Present.—All Members were present (at some time during the sitting) except—Mr. Anstey, Mr. Blundell, Mr. J. H. Catts, Mr. Charlton, Mr. Considine, Mr. Robert Cook, and Mr. Fowler.

WALTER A. GALE, Clerk of the House of Representatives.