

THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA.

No. 191.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

TUESDAY, 15TH NOVEMBER, 1921.

1. The House met, at three o'clock p.m., pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair, and read Prayers.
2. PARRAMATTA ELECTORAL DIVISION—ISSUE OF WRIT.—Mr. Speaker announced to the House that he had yesterday issued a Writ for the Election of a Member to serve for the Electoral Division of Parramatta, in the State of New South Wales, in the place of the Right Honorable Sir Joseph Cook, P.C., G.C.M.G., resigned. The dates appointed in the Writ were as follow :—
 

Date of Nomination	...	...	Wednesday, 30th November, 1921.
Date of Polling	...	...	Saturday, 10th December, 1921.
Date for Return of Writ	...	...	On or before Wednesday, 21st December, 1921.
3. MESSAGE FROM THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL.—ASSENT TO BILL.—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor-General was received, and the same was read by Mr. Speaker :—

FORSTER,

*Governor-General.*

*Message No. 67.*

A Bill intituled "*Loan Act 1921*", as finally passed by the Senate and the House of Representatives of the Commonwealth, having been presented to the Governor-General for the Royal Assent, His Excellency has, in the name and on behalf of His Majesty, assented to the said Act.

Melbourne, 11th November, 1921.

4. PAPER.—The following Paper was presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor-General—Imperial Shipping Committee—Rebates, &c.—Interim Report, and Correspondence with reference to.  
Ordered to lie on the Table, and to be printed.
5. SUPPLY—ESTIMATES—ADDITIONS, NEW WORKS, BUILDINGS, ETC., 1921-22.—The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.

*(In the Committee.)*

ADDITIONS, NEW WORKS, BUILDINGS, ETC., 1921-22.

Vote—"The Postmaster-General's Department £823,506"—

Debate resumed.

Vote agreed to.

Vote—"The Department of Health £40,000"—

Debate ensued.

Vote agreed to.

Postponed Vote—"The Department of Defence—Military £1,134,251"—

Debate resumed on the motion of Mr. Charlton, That the Vote be reduced by £500,000.

Progress to be reported, and leave asked to sit again.

The House resumed ; Mr. Chanter reported accordingly.

Resolved—That the House will, to-morrow, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

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

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

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MEMBERS PRESENT.—All Members were present (at some time during the sitting) except—Mr. Anstey, Mr. Bell, Mr. Blundell, Mr. Bowden, Mr. Burchell, Mr. J. H. Catts, Mr. Austin Chapman, Mr. Charlton, Mr. Robert Cook, Mr. Cunningham, Mr. Fenton, Mr. Hay, Mr. Jackson, Mr. Lambert, Mr. Lamond, Mr. Lavelle, Mr. Lazzarini, Mr. Livingston, Mr. Mahony, Mr. Marks, Mr. McDonald, Mr. McGrath, Mr. McWilliams, Mr. Nicholls, Mr. Stewart, Mr. Tudor\*, and Mr. Watkins.

\* On leave.

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