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THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA.

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VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

FRIDAY, 4TH SEPTEMBER, 1925.

1. The House met, at eleven o'clock a.m., pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker (the Right Honorable W. A. Watt) took the Chair, and read Prayers.
2. DISCHARGE OF ORDER OF THE DAY.—The following Order of the Day (General Business)—*Shipping Service between Hobart and Melbourne—Resumption of debate (Mr. O'Keefe) upon the following motion of Mr. O'Keefe:—That, in the opinion of this House, provision should be made by the Commonwealth Government, without delay, for the establishment of an adequate shipping service for both passengers and cargo between Hobart and Melbourne,* was, by leave, called on, and on the motion of Mr. O'Keefe, was discharged.
3. PAPERS.—The following Paper was presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor-General—*League of Nations—Agenda of the Sixth Session of the Assembly.*
Ordered to lie on the Table, and to be printed.
The following Paper was presented, pursuant to Statute—*Tariff Board Act—Tariff Board—Annual Report to 30th June, 1925.*
Ordered to be printed.
4. SUPPLY BILL (No. 2) 1925-26.—The Order of the Day having been read for the further consideration of this Bill in Committee of the whole House—Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole.

(In the Committee.)

Schedule—

Part I.—

- “ II.—The Prime Minister's Department, £34,390 ” debated and agreed to.
- “ III.—The Department of the Treasury, £106,910 ” agreed to.
- “ IV.—The Attorney-General's Department, £24,185 ” debated and agreed to.
- “ V.—The Home and Territories Department, £52,370 ” debated and agreed to.
- “ VI.—The Department of Defence, £757,775 ” debated and agreed to.
- “ VII.—The Department of Trade and Customs, £148,300 ” debated and agreed to.
- “ VIII.—The Department of Works and Railways, £19,440 ” agreed to.
- “ IX.—The Department of Health, £24,145 ” agreed to.
- “ X.—The Department of Markets and Migration, £15,710 ” agreed to.
- “ XI.—Miscellaneous Services, £2,180 ” agreed to.
- “ XII.—War Services, £155,890 ” debated and agreed to.

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Part 2.—

“I.—Commonwealth Railways, £132,930 ” agreed to.

“II.—The Postmaster-General's Department, £1,588,890 ” debated and agreed to.

Part 3.—

“Northern Territory, £31,385 ” agreed to.

“Papua, £15,635 ” debated and agreed to.

“Norfolk Island, £450 ” agreed to.

“Refunds of Revenue, £200,000 ” agreed to.

Preamble agreed to.

Title agreed to.

Bill to be reported without amendment.

The House resumed ; Mr. Bayley reported accordingly.

On the motion of Mr. Earle Page (Treasurer), the House adopted the Report, and (the Standing Orders having previously been suspended, see page 121) the Bill was read a third time.

5. ADJOURNMENT.—Mr. Bruce (Prime Minister) moved, That the House do now adjourn.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and passed.

And then the House, at five minutes past four 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—Sir Austin Chapman, Mr. Robert Cook, Mr. Gabb, Mr. Albert Green, Mr. Hughes, Mr. Jackson, Mr. Killen, Mr. Lacey, Mr. Lambert, Mr. Manning, Mr. Sealbrook, Mr. Stewart, and Mr. West.

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