

cost the Government £1,000 a day or £30,000 a month. Mr. Holmes does not suggest that the Honorary Minister used the words he made use of regarding private enterprise. The hon. member was merely quoting the position regarding private enterprise in amplification of what he said.

Hon. J. J. HOLMES: If I have said anything that I should withdraw, I withdraw it. I have nothing further to add. I do not know whether the Honorary Minister wishes to move an amendment. Obviously it is not a matter for me to say when the House shall meet; that is for the Minister.

The HONORARY MINISTER: Shall I be in order if I move an amendment so that the extension of time will be to the next sitting of the House? I quite see the point raised by Mr. Holmes, and I am prepared to meet him to that extent.

The DEPUTY PRESIDENT: I shall interpret the remarks by Mr. Holmes as a personal explanation and not as having been uttered in reply to the debate. In those circumstances, I can accept an amendment from the Honorary Minister.

The HONORARY MINISTER: I move an amendment—

That the motion be amended by striking out "Wednesday next the 31st January" and inserting the words "Thursday the 25th January" in lieu.

Hon. J. J. Holmes: I presume it is understood that the select committee have no hope of reporting to-morrow.

The DEPUTY PRESIDENT: The House is aware of that. If members agree to the amendment, it will in no way bind the House, and to-morrow we can start anew. If the report of the select committee is not ready, there is nothing to prevent a further extension of time being granted.

Amendment put and passed; the question, as amended, agreed to.

### ADJOURNMENT.

**THE CHIEF SECRETARY** (Hon. J. M. Drew—Central) [5.54]: I move—

That the House do now adjourn.

Question put and a division called for.

Hon. A. THOMSON: I voted with the "Noes" and called for a division.

The DEPUTY PRESIDENT: Mr. Bolton also voted with the "Noes." Therefore there were two voices.

Hon. A. THOMSON: I am not in a position to criticise a previous vote of the House, but it seemed to me so absurd for members to meet and then adjourn again. Members have to come from the country—

The DEPUTY PRESIDENT: Order! In conformity with our own Standing Orders, the custom is that when there is no further business, the Leader of the House moves the adjournment. The time when the hon. member could have taken the business out of the hands of the Government and moved an amendment, has gone by and, therefore, the House stands adjourned.

*House adjourned at 5.55 p.m.*

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### QUESTION—EAST PERTH POWER HOUSE, EXTENSION.

*As to Raising Local Loan.*

Mr. SAMPSON asked the Premier: In view of the fact that considerable funds are available in this State for investment purposes, will he make representations to the next meeting of the Loan Council whereby a local loan may be raised for the extension of the East Perth Electric Power Station and the extension of cables and reticulation of current in the outer suburban districts?

The PREMIER replied: The whole question has already been fully discussed at the Loan Council. It is not desirable to raise the required money in Australia because

nearly all the machinery will have to be purchased in England and exchange on transferring the money would add approximately £100,000 to the cost.

### LEAVE OF ABSENCE.

On motion by Mr. North, leave of absence for two weeks granted to Mr. Welsh (Pilara) on the ground of urgent public business.

*Sitting suspended from 4.35 p.m. to 5.58 p.m.*

*House adjourned at 5.58 p.m.*

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The DEPUTY PRESIDENT took the Chair at 4.30 p.m. and read prayers.

### FINANCIAL EMERGENCY BILL SELECT COMMITTEE.

The DEPUTY PRESIDENT: Circumstances that have arisen out of the report of the select committee warrant my leaving the Chair for a brief, but indefinite period, before the chairman of the select committee is asked for his final report. Therefore I will leave the Chair. Members will be notified of the meeting of the House by the bells ringing in the usual way.

*Sitting suspended from 4.35 to 4.44 p.m.*

#### *Extension of Time.*

On motion by Hon. J. J. Holmes ordered: That the time allotted to the select committee on the Financial Emergency Bill for bringing up its report be extended until Wednesday, the 31st inst.

### ADJOURNMENT—SPECIAL.

**THE CHIEF SECRETARY** (Hon. J. M. Drew—Central) [4.47]: I move—

That the House at its rising adjourn till Wednesday, the 31st January, at 2.30 p.m.

Question put and passed.

*House adjourned at 4.48 p.m.*

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The SPEAKER took the Chair at 4.30 p.m., and read prayers.

### ADJOURNMENT—SPECIAL.

**THE PREMIER** (Hon. P. Collier—Boulder) I move—

That the House at its rising adjourn till Wednesday, the 31st January, at 4.30 p.m.

Question put and passed.

*House adjourned at 4.32 p.m.*