

Resume

Monck, was supplied with details regarding the new Government House. The Government had paid \$127,946 for the site, and clearing and laying out were expected to cost \$69,000, of which \$52,557 had been spent. The estimated cost of the new building was \$100,000.

The House was again in committee, putting the barristers act and the solicitors act through that stage. Both are statute revisions containing only unimportant changes.

No Telephone Commissioner.

In response to questions put on the order paper by Mr. N. W. Rowell, K. C., Sir James stated that Hon. I. B. Lucas had not been appointed a Commissioner to investigate the question of Government ownership of telephones. He remarked that Mr. Lucas had considered various matters in connection with telephone systems with a view to seeing whether legislation was necessary.

Hon. Dr. Pyne introduced a bill to provide for the appointment of a Board of Governors for the Provincial Museum, which will henceforth be known as the Royal Ontario Museum.

Salary Increases.

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In addition to the lump sums which have been noted, every department of the Government shows a number of salary increases, ranging from \$50 to \$200 per year. In the highways branch of the Public Works Department the engineer gets an increase of \$250. The Deputy Registrar-General and Secretary of the Provincial Board of Health, Dr. J. S. W. McCullough, will receive \$200 per annum more. The new Assistant Deputy Minister of Agriculture will receive \$1,167. For the tuberculosis and public health exhibits \$1,000 each is granted. Thunder Bay district will have a Police Magistrate in connection with C. N. R. construction, who will receive \$1,200. Other salary increases in nominal sums go to Deputy Ministers, clerks, stenographers, inspectors, etc.
