

support of this Hospital, and that it was open to all classes, he recommended to Council, and an Order issued on 23rd September last, authorizing the entering into an agreement with the Hospital authorities at rates not exceeding \$5 per week for each patient, and an annual allowance of \$400, to provide medical attendance and medicine.

"An arrangement has accordingly been made on the terms stated, it being a condition that the Hospital shall be open to the inspection of Officers of this Department, friends of patients, and Clergymen of all denominations, and that the agreement may terminate at any time on six months' notice.

"As Dr. Taylor's services were not required under the new arrangement, he was advised on the 21st September last to that effect."

Mr. DAVIES. Will the hon. gentleman be good enough to bring down on Concurrence any representations which may have been made by Dr. Taylor as to the inconvenience that would result from this transfer of the sailors to the General Hospital?

346. Public Buildings—New Brunswick..... \$19,000.00

Sir HECTOR LANGEVIN. The first item is \$10,000 for a Post Office, Custom House, &c., at Bathurst. The total cost of the building will be \$20,000, exclusive, I believe, of the site. The next is \$9,000, for the Portland Post Office. This amount will cover what is required for this building.

347. Public Buildings—Quebec.....\$100,000.00

Sir HECTOR LANGEVIN. The first item is the Hull Post Office and Inland Revenue Office, \$4,790, which, I think, will complete that building. The next is Lévis Immigrant Buildings, \$15,000, which is required to complete building which will be erected this summer. Montreal Immigrant Buildings, \$15,000. The Minister of Agriculture has asked for such a building, as there is no suitable building in Montreal for that purpose. The next item is Montreal Custom House, \$3,000, for some improvements, and to repair a portion of the building which was damaged by fire. Improvements consist of heating apparatus, furnaces, and other items. The next item is Montreal Inland Revenue Building, \$11,260, which will be the last amount required for that building. This amount is made up of a number of small items varying from \$140 to \$2,600, the latter being for flagging the sidewalk.

Mr. SCRIVER. Is that the old Custom House?

Sir HECTOR LANGEVIN. Yes. The next item is \$45,000 for the Montreal Examining Warehouse. As I explained the other evening, the largest portion of this vote is for the construction of iron joists in the place of the wooden ones, which have become rotten, and for the construction of a stone shed for the storage of bar iron, &c. The next item is \$7,000 for the St. Vincent de Paul Penitentiary. This is to cover the extra expense of having stone quarried for completing the building.

Mr. BLAKE. Is it the case that a portion of the stone is being quarried by contract?

Sir HECTOR LANGEVIN. Yes; it is impossible to have it all done by convict labor. The convicts will have plenty to do in the yard, dressing the stone, and so on.

348. Public Buildings—Ontario..... \$131,200.00

Sir HECTOR LANGEVIN. The first item is \$6,000, the amount required this year for a Post Office at Orangeville. The next item is \$50,000 for a building in connection with the Toronto Examining Warehouse, which is represented by the proper authorities as being absolutely necessary. The whole building, when completed, will cost \$160,000, the intention being to complete it in three years. For this purpose we intend to ask for \$50,000 more next year, and the balance the year after. The next item, \$3,100, being the balance to complete the Belleville Post Office and Custom House. The next item is \$15,000 for a Post Office, Custom House, and Inland Revenue Office at Peterboro'. The land will, I think,

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be furnished by the locality, and the building, when completed, will cost \$20,000. A vote of \$20,000 is asked for the Berlin Post Office and Custom House. This amount is required for the year, and I think we shall require \$6,000 or \$7,000 more; the total cost will be \$27,500. The next item is \$17,000 to complete the work on the St. Catharines Post Office. The next item of \$8,000 for the Toronto Drill Shed is to provide additional accommodation for armories, &c., on the north side of the present shed. The next item of \$1,000 is to provide for alterations in the House of Commons Post Office that are required to give more accommodation in the way of boxes and better accommodation for the officers. The London Custom House, addition for Weights and Measures and Gas Inspection Office, \$5,000. This amount is required to pay for some legal expenses connected with the purchase of the lot there and also for some improvements in the building, and probably for the purchase of a small piece of land in rear of the building in order to isolate it further.

Mr. BLAKE. How much will the total of the Orangeville Post Office be, and how much for the site?

Sir HECTOR LANGEVIN. I do not know the exact amount. It may cost \$18,000 or \$20,000 without the site?

Mr. BLAKE. The sum for drill sheds seems large.

Sir HECTOR LANGEVIN. We may be obliged to build separately, and therefore I made the amount \$8,000 in order not to be out of funds should that be the case.

349. Public Buildings—Manitoba..... \$70,000.00

Mr. CASGRAIN. I think the expenses the Dominion is incurring on account of the Lieutenant-Governors of the Provinces generally is rather high. I know the expense is regulated by Statute, but this item is for buildings and stables. I do not know whether the Lieutenant-Governor of the Province of Manitoba desires, like the Lieutenant-Governor of Quebec, to have an extensive piggery. I think the attention of the Lieutenant-Governor might be directed to some more noble occupation, for though there is nothing degrading in raising pigs it is rather expensive for the Government to allow such a large sum for that object. I have here a list showing the different salaries paid to Governors in the States. I take some twelve States, the average of whose population is about those of Ontario and Quebec: from Indiana whose population is 1,187,000, to Alabama whose population is 1,262,000, the other States averaging about the population of Ontario and Quebec. The Governor of Georgia receives only \$3,000 a year; the Governor of Iowa, \$3,000; the Governor of Kentucky, \$5,000; the Governor of Massachusetts, \$5,000; the Governor of Michigan, which is rather a large State, \$1,000; the Governor of North Carolina, \$3,000; the Governor of Tennessee, \$4,000; the Governor of Texas, \$4,000; the Governor of the Territories, \$2,000; the Governor of Wisconsin, \$5,000. This statement shows that for a country like ours which is far from being so rich as the United States, we are paying too high salaries to our Lieutenant-Governors. If we take the State of Pennsylvania, which is the largest State in the Union as to population and wealth, we see that the Governor there received the largest amount, \$10,000. These Governors do not receive a vice-regal mansion. It is only the President who receives a large mansion. It is true that this year we may have a surplus to dispose of, but however large it may be that surplus comes from the pockets of the people, and if the people were to pay them in the same ratio as they do in the United States the whole Dominion would rejoice at it. Though this country is becoming prosperous, to a certain extent, the extravagant expenditure by those at the head of the Government is not an example that can do any good to the different Provinces. Under these circumstances I think that some suggestions of this kind ought to be well received by this House and carried into effect hereafter.