

are then continued to bells in the reading room, wardrobe, and corridor on the ground floor, in all four division bells placed on this current.

The arrangement for the other bells are similar to those on the Commons' side, with the exception, that the messengers' room (in which the principal indicating box is situated) is on the ground floor, instead of the basement. This box is arranged for 62 indicators, of which 32 are in use.

There is also a box with seven indicators for the Gentleman Usher of the Black Rod, and one with five indicators for the House-keeper.

DEPARTMENTAL BUILDINGS.

Eastern Block.—For this Block there are two batteries, situated in the attic, near the main tower, each of these being formed of ten jars.

One set is used for throwing out the indicators, and the other for the purpose of keeping the bells in motion, on the improved system before described.

From the first battery, wires branch off to the north and east ends of the Block (the positive wire being connected with the call buttons), with return wires to the several indicating boxes and bells, and leading to the negative pole of the battery.

From the second battery a pair of wires is carried through the indicating boxes and bells.

The indicating boxes have been fitted up in this Block, as follows, viz:—

Finance Minister's Department,	one Box,	13	Indicators.
Customs Branch, do	do	8	do
Provincial Registrar, do	do	5	do
Receiver General's, do	do	8	do
Bureau of Agriculture, ground floor,	do	2	do
do first floor,	do	10	do
Provincial Secretary's Department,	do	12	do
Attorney and Solicitor General West,	do	5	do
Governor General's rooms,	do	6	do
Attorney and Solicitor General East,	do	4	do
Executive Council,	do	7	do

Western Block.—The batteries for this Block are situated in the attic, over the south centre entrance. They are formed of a like number of jars, and the connections throughout are similar to those of the eastern Departmental Building.

Indicating boxes have been provided and fitted as follows, viz:—

Post Office Department,	one Box,	7	Indicators.
Indian, do	do	7	do
Militia, do	do	9	do
Public Works, do	do	20	do
		(13 in use)	
Crown Lands, do	do	16	do

Electric bells have also been provided for the entrance doors to all the Buildings. These are connected with the batteries in the respective Blocks.

For bell service there has been used about sixteen and a half miles of wire.

WATER SUPPLY.

As the best means of supplying the Buildings with water, appeared to be by pumping from the river in their immediate vicinity, it was decided, after a careful examination of