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Government Dinner  
in honour of  
M. Léon Blum and Mmme. Blum  
~~Country-Club~~ Laurier House  
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Great honour in welcoming to the capital  
of Canada one of the distinguished  
figures of contemporary France;

twice Prime Minister in the last  
year of peace (1938) before world war,

President of one of the principal  
political parties,

an author of distinction,

during the dark years of Nazi  
occupation one of the stalwart  
figures in the Resistance Movement,

which in France became a vibrant  
symbol of the character of a people  
whose history is eloquent in  
proclaiming the virtues of liberty.

During war years had pleasure of welcoming  
many valiant men of France to Canada  
on missions of importance in the  
winning of victory for the United  
Nations;

visits helping to bring alive in our  
midst the spirit of France,

present mission of Mr. Blum to help  
in winning the peace and enabling  
France to have her full part in the  
upbuilding of a world community