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Flag

Matter discussed in Cabinet briefly January 21.

- general opinion that matter should not be re-introduced at present session, and private members asked at caucus to refrain from presenting any motion on bill
- reason being that committee of Parliament has already reported, and
- public reaction on report indicates that general approval with steps already taken re red ensign
- public opinion greatly divided -the flag bearing the Union Jack and some flag without the Union Jack
- impossible for committee to agree on a distinctive flag other than one-with- red ensign