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CONCENTRATED COMMERCIAL FEEDING STUFFS

OTTAWA, June 8, 1908.

W. J. GERALD, Esq.,
Deputy Minister of Inland Revenue,

SIR,—I beg to hand you a Report of work done upon so-called *Feeding Stuffs* for Cattle. The samples (142 in number) in question were collected, throughout the inspectoral districts of Canada, in December, 1907.

The immediate cause of this collection was a request made by Mr. M. Cumming, Secretary for Agriculture, Nova Scotia, dated August 16, 1907. In your letter of transmission to me, you ask if I am in a position to suggest a definition for Feeding Stuffs. I replied as follows:—

Referring to L. 44789, F. 94334, as regards the question of Cattle Foods, I beg to enclose for your information a memorandum on the subject, and would say:—

- (1) That I do not think the defining of any Standard for Cattle Food to be practicable.
- (2) The manufacturer must be required to guarantee a value for each brand of food; and we must make him live up to such guarantee.
- (3) The case seems to me quite analogous to that of Fertilizers; and I think the best way to meet the requirements will be to enact a Concentrated Food Stuffs Act, on similar lines to those which I have indicated in the case of Fertilizers.

Yours truly,

(sigd) A. MCGILL,
Chief Analyst.