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Ottawa, November 17th, 1948.

CABINET CONCLUSIONS

Meetings of the Cabinet were held in the Privy Council Chamber on Wednesday, November 17th, 1948, at 11 a.m. and 3 p.m.

Present:

The Prime Minister (Mr. St. Laurent),  
in the Chair,  
The Minister of Agriculture (Mr. Gardiner),  
The Minister of Mines and Resources  
(Mr. MacKinnon),  
The Minister of Labour (Mr. Mitchell),  
The Minister of Public Works (Mr. Fournier),  
The Postmaster General (Mr. Bertrand),  
The Minister of National Defence  
(Mr. Claxton),  
The Solicitor General (Mr. Jean),  
The Minister of Finance (Mr. Abbott),  
The Minister of National Revenue  
(Dr. McCann),  
The Minister of Veterans Affairs (Mr. Gregg),  
The Minister of Fisheries (Mr. Mayhew).

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The Secretary to the Cabinet (Mr. Heeney),  
The Assistant Secretary (Mr. Baldwin).  
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1. The Minister of Agriculture reported that it was proposed to introduce a bill to amend the Livestock Pedigree Act at the next session to prevent, among other things, misuse of the powers of livestock associations with regard to registration of stock or transfer of stock.

An explanatory note had been circulated.

(Departmental memorandum, undated, Cabinet document 785).

2. The Prime Minister suggested that the object indicated by Mr. Gardiner might be attained by setting forth in the proposed bill the specific grounds upon which registration or transfer could be refused.

3. The Minister of Mines and Resources reported on the following proposed legislation

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