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TWENTY-SIXTH YEAR

BALFOUR'S MAJORITY SIXTY-THREE DISSOLUTION PROSPECTS NOW SLIM

Lord Hugh Cecil, Son of the Late Lord Salisbury, Makes a Fine Oratorical Effort, Tho Opposed to Chamberla n's

London, Feb. 17 .- By a majority of 63 government last night defeated the indment to the speech from the throne. The vote was 311 to 243. and there is now no immediate prospect on of parliament.

The real event of the night's debate

The real event of the night's debate was the brilliant speech delivered by Lord Hugh Cecil, which is admitted both by friends and opponents to have been his finest oratorical effort, and one of the best speeches delivered in the house of commons since the Gladstone-Salisbury period, and as placing Lord Hugh in the forefront of possible leaders of the Conservative party.

Lord Hugh Cecil is the leader of the Conservative free traders, and the Liberals had placed their hopes in him to turn out the government. He disillusioned them by contending that the free trade cause would gain by kceping the present government in office still longer and while he pulled to pieces mercifessly his cousin Balfour's attitude on liscal questions, he declined to vote for the Asquith amendment. The majority of Conservative free traders will follow Lord Hugh Cecil's lead, and apart from the pressibility of some unexpected snap division, the government's position is

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GOVERNMENT WINS FIRST MOVE.

London, Feb. 17.-H. H. Asquith's amendment to the reply to the speech from the throne was defeated in the house of common night by a vote of 311 to 248. This amendment declared that the varnight by a vote of 311 to 248. This amendment declared that the various aspects of the fiscal question had been thoroly debated, and that the question should be submitted to the people without delay. The majority of 63, by which Mr. Asquith's amendment was rejected, is regarded as giving the government the first move in the political game, and as finally disposing of any present prospect of dissolution of parliament. In his reference to the colonial conference and the opposition's statement that British members of the conference should be instructed, Mr. Chamberlain in his speech yesterday asked whether the opposition thought the men from the colonies would come to talk until black in the face knowing all the time that Great Britain's representatives had a mandate in their pockets not to give anything that was asked.

Content to Trust His Political For- Commander of British Vessel Blinded

ance, Twenty-five factories, among them some of the largest in Lodz, to day paid off their men, numbering 40,000, and closed indefinitely. Some other milit, which previously had closed refused to be due to them. At one mill which thus refused yesterday, the think refused yesterday, the offices.

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**London, Feb. 17.—The Daily Telegraph's Shanghai correspondent reports that Gen, Stakelberg and three Russian infantry colones were wounded in the fighting on the Hun River.

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U.S. SENATE REPROVED

Agricultural Appropriation Bill Sent Back and Secretary Shaw Will Pay Refund on Canadian Wheat Imported by Millers.

Washington, D.C., Feb. 16 .- (Special.) The house of representatives was practically unanimous in returning to the senate to-day the agricultural apamendment relating to the foreign wheat drawback. Only five members, all Republicans and from the northwest, Messrs. Adams, Wisconsin; Davis and Volstan, Minnesota; Marshall, North Dakota, and Jones of Washington, voted against the declared policy of the majority of the house.

The Republican members who voted the register of the house did so

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Had Trusted Him.

To-Day.

The probable outcome of the matter will be that the senate will withdraw the amendment. The senate has repeatedly done this, in the past, a notable instance being during the civil war when the question was raised by Thad Stevens, a member of the house, when three are in a critical condition, was the house this afternoon on the fiscal amendment. A dissolution of parliament the British submarine boat "A-5," in

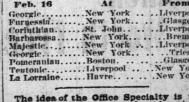
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New York, N.Y., Feb. 16.—(Special.)—The meeting of the board of directors of the Equitable Life Assurance Co. this afternoon resulted in a complete victory for James H. Hyde, for whose head the forces of President James W. Alexander have been clamoring for some time. The entire set of officers, including Alexander and Hyde, were reelected, and a plan of mutualization adopted, but it was not the original Alexander plan. When the plan was submitted Hyde's friends, acting under his direction, made certain amendments which were not pleasant to the Alexander faction, but which they had to swallow to spare themselves the ignominy of complete defeat.

The directors were in session two hours. Before the meeting certain of the older directors went to James M. Hyde and advised him not to push his advantage too far. Mr. Hyde expressed himself as willing to be generous if he could have his own way.

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E. H. Harriman and others of his friends, however, were not disposed to be so lenient, and soon after the meeting began it is said that Mr. Harriman took the floor and began a bitter attack on Presi-

dent Alexander.

Several directors favorable to Alexander jumped to their feet to protest, and when Sepator Chauncey M. Depew, in a peacemaking speech restored order, the voting was taken, one candidate at a time,

CONCERNS 20,000 WORKERS EMPLOYE'S FATHER SUES

Gase Will Be Carried to Court of Highest Jurisdiction Against G.T.R. and Its Insurance and Provident

Before Mr. Justice Anglin and a jury. Adamor Basso is suing the Grand Trunk Railway system for \$5000 dam-

ages for the death of his son. This case is one of unusual interest and will be fought by both sides to a finish. Its finish will be in the highest court of jurisdiction, the privy council. The decision will mean much to the 20,000 employes of the Grand Trunk, who are daily exposed to accidents which may result either seriously or

fatally.

Story of the Claim.

This is the story of the claim of the plaintiff. On May 22 last, Adamo Basso and his three sons were working as laborers for the Grand Trunk Company at Callander station. They were ordered by the foreman of the construction gang to unload a heavy wire cable from a car. While the men were exerting their utmost strength in their work, the foreman signalled the engineer of the train to move ahead. The unexpected and sudden starting of the train threw Francesco Basso, Adamo's son, from the car. His skull was fractured and he died shortly afterwards.

Company's Defence is that the decased joined the company's Insurance and provident society. One of the bylaws of the society provides that in consideration of the company subscribing to the fund of the society now member shall have any claim against the company on account of injury or death from accident.

When a laborer enters into the employ of the Grand Trunk system, he is compelled to join the insurance and provident society, subscribing to that clause, which the company pays into the society annually in cash 318,500. The burgiar who shot and just missed murdering Sergt. Abe Nash of the Windsor police force, Jan, 6, was sentenced to twenty years in the Kingston, Ont.,

What Company Would Do.

In this case, the company is willing. fatally ..

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DEATHS.

ENGLISH—At Sierra Madre, California, on February 7th. Robert M. English, the dearly beloved son of Rachel English, Funeral from No. 7 Montague-place, on

Friday, February 17th, inst., at 2 o'clock p.m., to St. James' Cemetery. HAZELTON On Feb. 16, 1905, at the Old seph Hazelton, sr., a resident of Toron-to for the past 57 years.

Funeral Monday, at 3 p.m., to Mount Pleasant Cemetery, All friends invited, Greatest wish, no flowers. LAWRIE-At her residence, lot 21, con. 10, Markham, on Wednesday, Feb. 15, Jane Patton, beloved wife of James Lawrie. Funeral from above address on Friday at 2 p.m., to St. Andrew's Cemetery,

McCAGUE-On Feb. 15th, 1905, Wm. A McCague, in his 45th year. Funeral on Saturday, Feb. 18th, 1905, at 9.30 a.m., from the residence of Chas. Helmkay, 1168 Queen-street, west, 40 Richmond Hill vault, arriving at 1.

PARKER-On Tuesday, Feb. 14th, at 73
Baldwin-street, Philip B., infant son of Edward H. and Frances Parker, aged 8 months and 4 days.

Funeral private. The F. W. Matthews Co., Undertakes