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SIR JOHN SIMON HAS BEEN SAID BY AUTHORITATIVE SOURCES TO BE DESIROUS OF AVOIDING A CONSTITUTIONAL CRISIS THROUGH TOO STRONG REPRESENTATIONS AGAINST THE KING'S ACTIONS BY HIS MINISTERS.

LORD ROTHERMERE, PUBLISHER AND BROTHER OF THE LATE LORD NORTHCLIFFE, IN THE LONDON EVENING NEWS ASSERTED A "CONCERTED EFFORT" WAS BEING MADE TO HURRY THE KING FROM THE THRONE AND ADDED:

"NO GOVERNMENT WHICH ON THIS MATTER OF SUPREME IMPORTANCE RUNS COUNTER TO THE WISHES OF THE PEOPLE OF ENGLAND CAN SURVIVE.

"YOU CANNOT SHUGGLE THE GREATEST LIVING ENGLISHMAN OFF THE THRONE OF ENGLAND DURING THE WEEKEND. TIME MUST BE GIVEN FOR A SOLUTION TO THIS MATTER. THE PRESENT HASTE IS INDECENT AND IS GIVING RISE TO UNPLEASANT RUMORS AFFECTING HIGH POLITICAL AND OTHER PERSONAGES."

A GROUP OF CONSERVATIVES, IT WAS LEARNED, MET FRIDAY IN THE SMOKING ROOM OF THE HOUSE OF COMMONS TO BAND TOGETHER ON BEHALF OF THE KING, AND AGREED ON A PERSONAL LETTER TO THE KING TO CONVEY THEIR PLEDGE OF SUPPORT.

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