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WHATEVER THE KING'S EMISSARY HAD SHOWN THEM, IT EVIDENTLY WAS OF THE HIGHEST IMPORT FOR BALDWIN SHORTLY LEFT THE BUILDING WITH HIS SECRETARY AND HASTENED TO SEE QUEEN MARY.

THE PREMIER RETURNED AFTER HIS AUDIENCE WITH THE QUEEN MOTHER AND AGAIN TOOK UP DELIBERATIONS WITH HIS MINISTERS. THE MEETING FINALLY BROKE UP AT 12:35 P.M., AFTER 2 1/2 HOURS OF DISCUSSION, UNTIL TONIGHT'S SESSION AT 7:30

P.M.

AS THE CABINET MET THE PRESS ASSOCIATION HINTED AT "SURPRISE" DEVELOPMENTS, THAT THE SITUATION POINTED OMINOUSLY TO DISCUSSION OF ABDICATION AND THAT "SHREWD JUDGES OF THE SITUATION ARE CONVINCED THIS, LIKE OTHER SUPERFICIAL READING OF THE FACTS, IS A TOO OBVIOUS AND TRUE SOLUTION."

WEIGHT, HOWEVER, WAS ADDED TO THE VIEW PREPARATIONS WERE BEING MADE FOR ABDICATION BY CONFERENCES OF THE ARCHBISHOP OF CANTERBURY, GOVERNMENT OPPOSITION LEADERS AND BALDWIN'S CALL UPON QUEEN MARY.

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