

Opening

~~The banana is back...~~

Steamer

The Steamship Tilapa docks at Avonmouth with the first cargo of its kind to reach this country for five years.

The crew were generous with their personal stocks.

~~of fruit and~~ <sup>Lucky</sup> youngsters on the quayside were the first to sample the strange fare. Obviously, this <sup>new fruit</sup> ~~sample~~ made a good impression.

To see the unloading of eight million bananas from the vessel's holds came the Lord Mayor of Bristol. He was given a grandstand view of the job but 'nary a taste of banana, being over the age to eat such things. The whole of <sup>7 ft</sup> the cargo is reserved for young folks under eighteen living in the Midlands, South Wales and the West of England.

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Coming straight from refrigerated holds, the fruit <sup>was</sup> ~~was~~ mostly

<sup>as</sup> as green as when it left Jamaica. Any stems which show <sup>ad</sup> signs of premature ripening <sup>were</sup> ~~are~~ removed. The

bulk <sup>is cast into</sup> ~~is cast into~~ steam heated vans for quick ripening.. <sup>7</sup> ~~and~~ quicker eating, ~~we~~ <sup>by long</sup> imagine.