

ROYAL VISIT TO ALDERSHOT .

When the King and Queen visited Aldershot, it wasn't exclusively a day of guns and bombs and tanks. ~~There are other sides to Army life besides drilling and fighting, you know.~~ ~~And~~ All these little children enjoyed the privilege of being photographed with Her Majesty. ^{But} Perhaps they were too young to appreciate the honour --- when you're very small even a Queen is just a new Auntie.

The King went to Hawley Lake, where a demonstration of Bridge building was given by Royal Engineers. His Majesty walked across the folding-boat bridge after it was completed. And then their Majesties sat together at Chobham ^{split} Ediges while the Army's newest guns ~~shattered~~ the air with sound, ~~and the ground shuddered with the crash of explosives.~~

After all that smell and smoke it must have been quite a relief to go into the kitchens. With a good cook there's no smoke and only the best of smells. Queen Elizabeth then walked through the cookhouse at Buller Barracks --- although cookhouse to-day is really a dignified Dining Hall. The Queen had no need to ask the usual question --- "Any Complaints?" As you have seen, she had watched the food being cooked. If any further proof were needed, it is here in the hearty manner with which Tommy Atkins consumed it. . . . the noise was ~~terrific~~ terrific. Thus ended the day which King George and Queen Elizabeth spent with thr troops --- ~~officers and rank and file.~~ And they left Aldershot with the cheers of the Army ringing in their ears.