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OUTTY SARK'S LAST HOME.

Two and a half years ago the Outty Sark seemed doomed to die. But now, the Duke of Edinburgh, the patron of the Outty Sark Preservation Society, arrives at Greenwich for a ceremony which ensures that the famous tea clipper will be preserved for many years to come. Close by Greenwich Pier the Outty Sark will end her days in a specially-built dry berth.

The Duke operates a valve which controls a pile driver. The last twin piles which form the key to the berth are thus driven home. The new berth is expected to be completed by the autumn. It is about 263 feet long and 60 feet wide. With a long mallet made of the Outty Sark's timbers, the Duke lays a stone commemorating his visit.

The Outty Sark is probably the most famous of the old clippers which brought tea from China to Britain. About a year ago, the Duke of Edinburgh formally received the ship for which about £170,000 has been contributed. Now she is being prepared for her last, short voyage to her permanent home.

