

QUEEN MOTHER IN FORFAR.

Queen Elizabeth the Queen Mother pays a visit to Forfar, and is received by Provost A.C. Smyth at the Town Hall.

The Queen Mother inspects the guard of honour, from the 4th/5th Battalion, the Black Watch. Forfar's royal associations are very ancient; it was created a royal burgh by David I. Today, weaving is an important local industry and a visit to the Strathmore Woollen Factory is on the Queen Mother's programme. She watches the girls at work making tartans.

This lass is working on a length of Dress Stewart. The Queen Mother pauses at the loom to have a word with its operator.

But the chief purpose of the Queen Mother's visit to Forfar, is to receive the Freedom of the Burgh, at the Reid Hall. Her Majesty comes on to the platform for the freedom ceremony.

The Provost presents the scroll to his royal guest.

For the Queen Mother, this visit to the valley of Strathmore - linked through history with the name of Bowse-Iyon is no mere State occasion; it is a pleasant homecoming.