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DOCK GATE LAUNCHED : 1,700-tons gate
intended for Southampton Dock launched at
the Furness Yard, Middlesbrough.

-G. Durham-

Picture. :-

This is a new one on me ! It is the launching--
--of the world's largest dock-gate, and the launch--
--is performed in the usual maritime way. Blocks and
struts are knocked--
--away and the floating steel box which has neither--
--bow nor stern takes the water.

(EFFECTS OVER THIS AND NEXT SHOT).

The structure is really a colossal floating
gate to keep--
--the sea out of the huge dry-dock, which is part
of Southampton's--
--thirteen-million pounds dock scheme. Seventeen-
hundred tons it weighs,--
--and will shortly be towed from the Teeside to
its home at Southampton.