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HELLO! GOODBYE!
REUNION AFTER PARTING.
FAMOUS REGIMENTS FLYING VISIT.

picture.:- This is not a Newcastle goods train,--
--but it is a train full of the goods. Or, it--
--will be after it is polished with oily rags,--
--and its decoration with clean coloured ones. It is a train--
--full of sweethearts and wives. I hope the wives--
--are still sweethearts, too. Mothers are going to see--
--their sons and wives their husbands after 2 1/2-years--
--absence in the West Indies, and now all--
--aboard for Southampton and the fighting menfolk.
(EFFECTS - 5 SHOTS).

From the troopship Dorsetshire men of the Northumberland--
--Fusiliers, the Fighting Fifth come ashore--
--for a short five hours only. The prosaic walls--
--of the customs shed hide the first thrilling moments of--
--reunion and romance. Four of these girls are re-meeting their
lovers, marrying, and parting from their husbands for three--
--years, and all in five hours. A full program. Full of
smiles--
--and tears. Yes, and wouldn't you do the same in his place. This--
--hurried reunion of loved ones is due to the--
--efforts of the Battalion Commander Lieutenant-Colonel Chevenix-
Trench--
--but four hours leave was all the War Office--
--could, or would, concede before the Regiment proceeded to Egypt--
--for another three-years' exile. There are many poignant moments
and--
--many sad farewells. Hearts are heavy as the men tear themselves

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--away from that short break of happiness. A few wives--
--and children on the strength embark with them

But many are left behind ! Not forgetting the
four brides--

--of less than a day. But the--

--mothers, wives, children and sweethearts give their
soldiers of the Fighting Fifth a last smile. A three-
years smile. The men are not close enough now to see
the tears.