

PRINCESS MARINA ARRIVES.

WARM WELCOME TO BRITAIN.

Out of the mist off Dover comes the good ship "Canterbury", particularly----

---good to-day, for she carries the beautiful bride of the Duke of Kent ----

-----Princess Marina of Greece. On the quay waits---

----the Duke, showing subdued signs of lover-like impatience

----Their glances meet; and gladness leaps into their eyes. The change is quite marked and there is no doubt about it. The Princess's father, Prince Nicholas of Greece assists his daughter down the steep gangway. To me, the simple scene is extraordinarily moving. The gaze of the Duke is broken only to salute his bride's mother and then it return to Princess Marina whom he takes in his arms and kisses - a mark of affection which is understood equally by King's son and commoners lad. Thereafter, general greetings between members of the Royal Families----

---the Mayor of Dover is presented to the Princess Marina and the Mayoress asks her acceptance of a bouquet, made up, I think of English roses-----

----the simple ceremonial is over and the Royal Party moves toward the train for London. One is forcibly reminded of the arrival----

--- of another Prince's bride from over the sea, from Denmark, who became Queen Alexandra and the mother of our King George the Fifth----

On arrival at Victoria, the first greeting to the Princess is from our London fog. But simultaneously Queen Mary embraces Princess Marina. A word or two of greeting and the Princess cutsseys to her Royal father-in-law to be. Despite the heavy fog the smiles of everyone distinctly brighten the picture.

The raw chill of November fails miserably in competition with the radiance of the royal welcome. Amid all this thrill--

---of Royal kisses and handshakes, I occasionally catch remarks on the

---Princess's dress "what a ducky hat that is" and so on. On

On enquiry I find the hat is of stitched beige silk with
tiny ostrich feathers peeping over the brim. But the thing
that matters is that our new Princess is safely here for
her wondrous wedding day.
