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ROYAL GARDEN PARTY.  
THOUSANDS OF GUESTS.

Picture. :- Over ten-thousand guests are invited to Buckingham Palace

for the last of the  
Silver Jubilee functions, the Royal Garden Party.

Perfect 'King's weather' prevails. .... One of the  
happiest people here is  
little Princess Elizabeth, who accompanies her mother the Duchess  
of York,

while her father, The Duke, chats with some  
of the guests. .... The Prince of  
Wales is here too. .... Many guests  
from overseas are present. .... A thrill passes  
through the assembly as the King and Queen appear on  
the lawn. Their Majesties greet many of  
their guests personally, pausing here and there for a chat. ....

Their Majesties must be shaking hands with hundreds of  
their guests, particularly  
when receiving privileged visitors beneath the famous scarlet  
and gold durbar canopy. .... Everybody remarks how well the  
King looks, considering the great strain of the numerous Jubilee  
Functions. ....

Now it is teatime, though some prefer  
an icecream on the sunlit sward.

Six o'clock means that the party is at an end,  
and the guests form an avenue through  
which Their Majesties walk back to the Palace.

So another Royal Garden Party becomes just history.