

At Government House in Lagos, Queen Elizabeth and the Duke of ^{Edin}Edinburgh joined ~~twelve~~ ^{fifteen} hundred guests in one of the most colourful ~~xxxxxxxxxx~~ occasions of the Nigerian tour..... a garden party on the broad lawns of the official residence, in the shade of mango and palm trees.

To meet their Sovereign, chiefs had travelled many hundreds of miles.....chiefs and emirs in their splendid robes --- representatives of more than thirty million West African subjects. ~~They~~ They were introduced by ~~the~~ ^{Oba}Oba Adedeji II.

Accompanying the Queen was Standard Bearer ex-^Regimental-Sergeant Major Zinder. ^

On the following day, the Federal House of ^Representatives was the central scene. ~~Thaxxxxxxxxx~~ Government and Opposition speakers referred to Nigeria's future status of self-Government. And from both sides of the House came pledges that Nigeria would remain within the British Commonwealth. One of the most prominent of the Ministers present was the straw-hatted Minister of Labour.

Her Majesty's gown for this impressive occasion was of ivory satin, embroidered with ~~xxxxxx~~ pearls and gold, with the sash of the Order of the Garter. The Duke of Edinburgh wore the tropical uniform of Admiral of the Fleet. ~~the~~ building in which Nigeria holds her ~~parliament~~ was opened four

Later on the same day, a procession of judges and other lawyers through Lagos marked the occasion of the inauguration of the new Law Courts.

With the Queen's arrival in the forecourt ^{Comeo} ~~came~~ the big moment in the life of the small son of a Federal Judge, Mr Justice Jibowu. He has the job of presenting the bouquet. But he spots the cameras ; and this --- he mustn't miss!