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Durham-- There was a real warm-hearted Northern welcome for the Queen and the Duke of Edinburgh, when they arrived at Stockton for a visit to industrial Teeside.

Her Majesty's first engagement was the unveiling of a commemorative plaque on the north wall of the Town Hall. ~~At~~ A number of ~~presentations~~ ~~representations~~ were made before an eight-mile tour of the town began.

On Stockton racecourse, the Queen, accompanied by her husband, ~~travelling~~ (travelling in a Land Rover), reviewed 500 officers and men of the 1st Battalion the Loyal Regiment (North Lancashire), of which she is Colonel-in-Chief. ~~and she~~ ~~delivered~~ ~~the~~ ~~words~~ ~~of~~ ~~encouragement~~ ~~on~~ ~~their~~ ~~arrival~~

THEN ROYAL WORDS OF ENCOURAGEMENT

~~and~~ (Sound)-

The arrival in Middlesborough was ~~then~~ the signal for another great outburst of loyal affection. And before lunching at the Town Hall, ~~there~~ ~~was~~ ~~a~~ ~~wave~~ ~~for~~ ~~the~~ ~~crowd~~

WAS A WAVE FOR THE CROWD

The last part of the visit included a tour of the new Lackenby steel works, where Her Majesty and the Duke saw the various processes which go to make up the finished product- so vital to British industry.

The short tour of Teeside was over- and ~~on board~~ <sup>on board</sup> the Royal Yacht "Britannia", the Queen and the Duke sailed away into the evening sun- their course <sup>set</sup> ~~eastwards~~ for Stockholm, where the 3 day State Visit to Sweden begins.