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ROYAL VISIT TO LANGASHIRE - - H.R.H. The Princess Royal spends a busy day at Lancaster and Manchester.

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Lord Derby escorts the Princess Royal to the platform. The occasion is the laying--

--of the foundation stone of the final extensions of the Royal--

--Lancashire Infirmary. The work, which has been--

--in progress for some time is now approaching completion. Her Royal Highness declares the stone well--

--and truly laid. Purses containing forty-five thousand, five--

--hundred pounds were presented to the Princess Royal for hospital purposes.

At Manchester, the Princess, who wears the uniform of Chief Commandant, Voluntary--

--Aid Detachments, inspects the East Lancashire Branch, V.A.D.--

--of the British Red Cross Society. Manchester's Lord Mayor attends with the--

--Royal Commandant as she takes the salute at the march-past.

A convincing demonstration is staged. The dummy gasmeter explodes, and Red Cross nurses, some in gas-masks, prove bypractical work--

--on the stricken field their efficiency and skill in the noble calling.