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The Royal Tour

It is 12 years since Their Majesties, King George VI and Queen Elizabeth toured Canada and the visit of Her Royal Highness, Princess Elizabeth and the Duke of Edinburgh is an event eagerly awaited by all Canadians.

While it is with genuine pleasure that we look forward to the visit of the Royal couple, the details involving such an event demand particular care on the part of those whose responsibility it is to see that no unpleasantness or untoward incidents of any sort mar an otherwise joyous occasion. Charged with the security of the tour and of the Princess and her husband, the Force has played an important part in shaping protective plans. To this end the experience gained during the Royal Tour of 1939 has been of value.

Nothing remains now but for Dame Nature to play her part. In the crisp, bright days of early autumn, the Canadian countryside presents a kaleidoscope of colors, a wonderland of beauty to match the brilliancy of an Oriental carpet; rolling hills, swirling rivers, picturesque lakes, prairies, deep forests and craggy towering snow-capped peaks of the Rockies all add up to an exciting tour for the Royal sight-seers. And while much of their time will be charted for them for public and state ceremonies, nevertheless they are still tourists. It remains for all Canada to put forward our utmost to see that as with all visitors, their stay with us is a happy one.