

as possible, we have arranged for the special excursion announced in the present number. Our tourists will have good quarters on a magnificent ship, and we can guarantee that they will be made as comfortable as circumstances will permit and will be well looked after and taken care of. We shall hope to see them off ourselves in Montreal, and on their arrival they will be met by Mr. Cole, the well-known and highly esteemed agent of the Homes in Liverpool. We shall, in fact, do everything we can for them; but again we give those thinking of making the trip Punch's advice to those about to marry, "Don't!"

### Our Royal Guests.

WE must be permitted to join in the general outburst of loyal and cordial welcome

that is everywhere throughout the Dominion greeting the presence of the heir to the throne and his gracious and amiable consort. Their visit to Canada cannot, we imagine, fail to strengthen that golden link of the Crown which forms the chief connecting bond between the mother country and the young and vigorous

commonwealth across the Atlantic that still owes her allegiance, while our august visitors must, we think, carry away with them a deep and lasting impression of the richness of the country's resources, the vastness of its area, the magnificent possibilities of its future development, the activity of its commercial life, the progressive conservatism—if we may use the term—that governs the spirit of our public administrations and the strenuous loyalty of the people to their own country first, but scarcely less to the Empire of which we form a part and from which we have received the heritage of our civil and religious liberties. The presence of the Duchess of York has an especial interest for our boys and girls, since as Princess May of Teck she was intimately associated with her noble mother, the Duchess of Teck, in the formation and early history of the Young Helpers' League, which for several years past has been so valuable and fruitful a source of support to the Homes, and still holds the office of Vice-President of the League and maintains a warm interest in the work of the Homes.

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