

greeted the King with the words: "Welcome, Sir, to Your Majesty's realm of Canada." And to the Queen, he added: "Welcome, Ma'am, to Canada."

After a brief chat during which Their Majesties expressed their regret at the delay in their arrival, photographs were snapped. Then the Canadian ministers, taking leave of the Sovereigns, returned to the quay and stood at the end of the gangway. A few minutes later, having sent a message to the Skeena and Saguenay, thanking officers and men for their convey of the royal yacht, the King and the Queen came to the head of the gangway and shook hands with the ship's officers.

Then from the deck two Marine buglers sounded a flourish of trumpets and Their Majesties walked down the gangway, the King wearing the blue and gold uniform of an Admiral of the Fleet with the blue ribbon of the Order of the Garter, and the Queen, a pearl grey crêpe-de-chine ensemble. At exactly 10.34 A.M., just a fraction of a second ahead of the Queen, George VI, King of Great Britain and the Dominions overseas, stepped off the gangway on Canadian soil, the first reigning British Monarch to set foot in America. At once, a royal salute of twenty-one guns began to boom from the Citadel, while His Majesty with Mr. Mackenzie King