

Duke at Covent Garden:

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The Duke of Edinburgh arrives at Covent Garden's Floral Hall for ~~an~~ auction in aid of the National Playing Fields Association, of which he is patron. Conducting the auction of four hundred pounds worth of fruit, was comedian Alfred Marks.

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Yes, there were plenty of laughs ^{plenty of} and bids, and this ten gallon hat was knocked down to the Duke himself for fifty guineas. A royal contribution to a grand total of £3,500, which was raised in a busy forty minutes.

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