PRINCESS OPENS SAILORS' HOME

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A Merchant Seamen's Home in Aberdeen is opened by Princess Elizabeth.

"My Lord Prevost, Ladies and Gentlemen.

It gives me great pleasure to come here to-day to open the Aberdeen Sailers' Home. This splendid building has been brought up-to-date through the care and enterprise of the British Sailers' Society which has done so much for the welfare of seamon.

I am so glad that Aberdeen, the seapert of North-East Scotland so famous for its fishing and its trade in peacetime, will have such a beautiful Home, and one worthy of the men who go down to the sea in ships; the men on whom our very existence depends.

I have now much pleasure in declaring the Aberdeen Sailors' Home open."