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My dear old Dad

I expect you would like to know how I got on at Windsor yesterday so I will endeavour to write a few lines about it, since it doesn't happen to me every day - or at least it hasn't so far.

I found Princess Alexandra very fresh & jolly & I soon got over any feelings of nervousness I may have had when being ushered in to her. The children

too were very jolly & just
like any others of course.
Prince Rupert aged 5, had to be
smeared by his old nurse &
he smeared her in return!
They rode a rocking horse
while the Princess read aloud
to them, incidentally mispronouncing
"Hesperides!" She also insisted
on sitting in one of their
little arm chairs & stuck
fast in it. so I had
to pull her up & pull it
off her afterwards!
Needless to say the children
were in great glee & she
herself nearly had hysterics.
I had lunch with her &
a lady of uncertain age,

whom I gathered was the
Chaplain's or Dean's daughter
brought in to chaperone us!
I noticed a fact that
might interest you. viz. that the
Princess wore patent leather
shoes which squeaked audibly!
The King & Queen were in
residence & were to have
paid a short call just after
I left. so they just missed
seeing me.
An interesting item of Court News
Prince John's box of bricks which
he had lost for several days
were found in the King's
sitting room yesterday -
I finished the drawings of
the little prince & princess to
their parents' satisfaction &

think. I also began one of
Princess Alexandra which I was
to have gone back to finish
tomorrow, but I have just
received a wire asking me
to postpone the sitting until
Tuesday.

Today I went to Slough
to draw a girl of about 15.
Which I did, & it was good
Hope the invalids are
progressing at Milton Villa.

Much love to all of you
It is pouring cats & dogs again
tonight.

Yours lovingly
Bryan
