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THURSDAY last being appointed by His Majesty's Proclamation to be observed as a Day of General Thanksgiving to Almighty God for the signal Interposition of His good Providence, in removing from His Majesty the late Illness with which He had been afflicted, His Majesty was pleased, for the greater Solemnity of the Day, to go to the Cathedral Church of St. Paul, accompanied by the Queen, their Royal Highnesses the Prince of Wales, the Duke of York, the Princess Royal, the Princess Augusta, the Princess Elizabeth, the Duke of Gloucester, and the Duke of Cumberland, and his Highness Prince William; and attended by both Houses of Parliament, the Great Officers of State, the Judges, and other public Officers, to return Thanks to God for His great Mercies and Blessings.

The Procession was begun at Eight o'Clock in the Morning by the House of Commons, in their Coaches, followed by their Speaker, in his State Coach. Next came the Masters in Chancery, the Judges, and after them the Peers, in the Order of Precedency, as they were marshalled by the Officers of Arms at Westminster, the youngest Baron going first, and the Lord Chancellor, in his State Coach, closing this Part of the Procession. Such of the Peers as were Knights wore the Collars of their respective Orders.

Afterwards came the Royal Family, in order of Precedency, with their Attendants, escorted by Parties of the Royal Regiment of Horse Guards.

Their Majesties set out from the Queen's Palace soon after Ten o'Clock, in a Coach drawn by Eight Cream-coloured Horses, (in which were also Two of the Ladies of Her Majesty's Bed-Chamber) followed by their Royal Highnesses the Princesses, and proceeded through the Gate at the Stable Yard, along Pall Mall, and through the Strand, amidst the loyal Acclamations of a prodigious Concourse of People.

The Streets were lined, as far as Temple Bar, by the Brigade of Foot Guards, the Grenadier Companies, of which were posted in St. Paul's Church, and in the Church-yard, and patrolled by Parties of the Royal Regiment of Horse Guards. The Avenues into the Streets through which the Procession passed were guarded by the Queen's Light Dragoons. From Temple Bar to the Church the Streets were lined by the Artillery Company and the Militia of the City; the Peace-Officers attending both within and without the City to preserve Order.

At Temple Bar His Majesty was met by the Lord Mayor, in a Gown of Crimson Velvet.

The Sheriffs in their Scarlet Gowns, and a Deputation from the Aldermen and Common Council; being all on Horseback, when the Lord Mayor surrendered the City Sword to His Majesty, who having returned it to him, he carried it bare-headed before the King to St. Paul's.

His Majesty being come to St. Paul's, was met at the West Door by the Peers, the Bishop of London, the Dean of St. Paul's (Bishop of Lincoln) the Canons Residentiary, and the Kings and other Officers of Arms, the Band of Gentlemen Pensioners, and the Yeomen of the Guard attending.

The Sword of State was carried before His Majesty by the Marquis of Stafford into the Choir, where the King and Queen placed themselves under a Canopy of State, near the West End, opposite to the Altar.

The Peers had their Seats in the Area, as a House of Lords, and the Commons in the Stalls. The upper Galleries were allotted to the Ladies of Her Majesty's Bedchamber, the Maids of Honour, and such other Ladies of Distinction as attended on this Occasion. The Foreign Ministers were placed in the two lower Galleries, next to the Throne; and the Lord Mayor and Aldermen in the lower Galleries near the Altar.

The Prayers and Litany were read and chaunted by the Minor Canons. The *Te Deum* and Anthems composed for the Occasion were sung by the Choir, who were placed in the Organ Loft, and were joined in the Chorus, as also in the Psalms, by the Charity Children, in Number about Six Thousand, who were assembled there previous to Their Majesties Arrival. The Communion Service was read by the Dean and Residentiaries, and the Sermon preached by the Lord Bishop of London.

Divine Service being ended, Their Majesties returned with the same State to the Queen's Palace at about half an Hour after Three o'Clock. The Guns at the Tower and in the Park were fired three Times, first upon the King's setting out, secondly at the singing of *Te Deum*, and thirdly upon His Majesty's Return; after which the Brigade of Foot Guards fired a *Feu de Joie* in St. James's Park, being drawn up in the Front of the Queen's Palace.

The public Demonstrations of Joy and Loyalty by the Inhabitants of London and Westminster, on the Occasion of His Majesty's first Appearance in public since His happy Recovery, exceeded all Expression; and Yesterday Evening the Illuminations in all Parts of this Metropolis surpassed in Splendor and Magnificence all former Exhibitions.