

guard was mounted at the Ambassador's house at twelve o'clock.

The procession set out at half-past two, and proceeding along the south side of Berkely-Square, Hay-Hill, Dover-Street, Saint James's-Street, and Pall-Mall, arrived at Carlton-House a few minutes before three o'clock.

The Ambassador on alighting, was received by the Master of the Horse, and other Officers of the Household. His Excellency was shewn into the west anti-room, from whence, accompanied by the Lord in Waiting, the Master of the Ceremonies, the Mehmander, and the attendants, His Excellency was conducted by the Marquess of Hertford, Lord Chamberlain of His Majesty's Household, into the presence of the Regent, who received His Excellency standing under the canopy of the Throne in the state room; His Royal Highness was attended by Lord Viscount Castlereagh, His Majesty's Principal Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, and by His Royal Highness's Great Officers of State. On approaching the Regent, the Ambassador made three reverences, which His Royal Highness returned in the usual manner; and His Royal Highness descending from the steps of the Throne, advanced to receive the Ambassador; His Excellency then presented his credentials, and delivered a short speech, to which His Royal Highness made a most gracious reply. The audience being finished, the Prince Regent was pleased to conduct the Ambassador to the adjoining apartment, where the Presents were displayed, and where His Royal Highness conversed with His Excellency for some time. His Royal Highness then reconducted the Ambassador to the state room, where His Excellency expressed himself highly gratified by the gracious reception and affability of His Royal Highness, His Excellency upon withdrawing from His Royal Highness's presence made three reverences, and was conducted back by the Lord Chamberlain. The procession returned to the Ambassador's house in the same order in which it came.

At half-past three o'clock, His Excellency Aly Capirdan, Ambassador from His Serene Highness the Dey of Algiers, attended by A. Salame, Esq. His Majesty's Interpreter, had his first private audience of the Prince Regent, to deliver his credentials; to which he was introduced by Earl Bathurst, His Majesty's Principal Secretary of State for the Colonial Department, and conducted by Sir Robert Chester, Knt. Master of the Ceremonies.—His Excellency was conveyed to Carlton-House in a carriage of the Prince Regent, and presented four fine horses, richly caparisoned, and other valuable presents from the Dey of Algiers, which His Royal Highness was pleased to accept in the most gracious manner.

The Count de Ludolf, Envoy Extraordinary and Minister Plenipotentiary from His Majesty the King of the Two Sicilies, had also a private audience of the Prince Regent, to deliver letters from his Sovereign, announcing the marriage of Her Royal Highness the Princess Charlotte, His Sicilian Majesty's grand daughter, with His Royal Highness the Infant of Spain, Don Francis de Paula; the Count de Ludolf was introduced to the audience by

Lord Viscount Castlereagh, His Majesty's Principal Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, and conducted by Sir Robert Chester, Knt. Master of the Ceremonies.

Carlton-House, May 20, 1819.

This day His Royal Highness the Prince Regent, in the name and on the behalf of His Majesty, was pleased to invest the Right Honourable Charles Bruce, Earl of Ailesbury, with the ensigns of the Most Ancient and Most Noble Order of the Thistle.

The Prince Regent having signed the several instruments for that purpose, which were, previously to the ceremony, presented to His Royal Highness by Robert Quarme, Esq. Gentleman Usher of the Green Rod (in the absence of the Secretary), the Earl of Ailesbury was called into the Royal Presence, being preceded by the Earls of Galloway and Abergavenny, two of the Knights Brethren of the Order, and supported by the Duke of Atholl and the Earl of Aberdeen, the two Senior Knights present. Upon entering into the Royal Presence, with the usual reverences, the Earl of Ailesbury was presented by the said two Senior Knights, and, kneeling down, his Lordship was knighted by the Prince Regent with the sword of state; his Lordship having kissed His Royal Highness's hand, rose up, when the Gentleman Usher of the Green Rod administered the oath to his Lordship; then Green Rod kneeling, presented the ensigns of the Order upon a crimson velvet cushion to the Prince Regent, who put the ribband over the Earl's left shoulder; and his Lordship, having again had the honour of kissing His Royal Highness's hand, withdrew, with the usual reverences, in the same manner in which he had entered.

The ceremony was performed in His Royal Highness's closet, several of the Great Officers of State and of the Court being present.

Westminster, May 19, 1819.

THIS day, the Lords being met, a message was sent to the Honourable House of Commons by the Gentleman Usher of the Black Rod, acquainting them, that *The Lords, authorised by virtue of a Commission under the Great Seal, signed by the Prince Regent, in the name and on the behalf of His Majesty, for declaring His Majesty's Royal Assent to several Acts agreed upon by both Houses, do desire the immediate attendance of the Honourable House in the House of Peers to hear the Commission read; and the Commons being come thither, the said Commission, empowering the Lord Archbishop of Canterbury, the Lord High Chancellor of Great Britain, and several other Lords therein named, to declare and notify the Royal Assent to the said Acts, was read accordingly, and the Royal Assent given to*

An Act to repeal the duties on mineral alkali and on articles containing mineral alkali and other articles, and to impose other duties in lieu thereof.

An Act to continue, until the fifth day of July one thousand eight hundred and twenty-two, and