

the Chevalier de Araujo Ribeiro, Envoy Extraordinary and Minister Plenipotentiary from the Emperor of Brazil, had audiences of His Majesty to deliver letters from their respective Sovereigns:

To which audiences they were respectively introduced by his Grace the Duke of Wellington, His Majesty's Principal Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, and conducted by Sir Robert Chester, Knt. Master of the Ceremonies:

*At the Court at St. James's, December 20, 1834.*

A CHAPTER of the Most Noble Order of the Garter having been summoned for this day, the following Knights Companions, in their mantles and collars, assembled in the Entrée-room, viz.: His Royal Highness the Duke of Sussex, the Marquess Camden, the Earl of Lonsdale, the Duke of Wellington, the Duke of Dorset, the Duke of Devonshire, the Marquess of Exeter, and the Duke of Norfolk, attended by the under-named Officers of the Order, in their mantles, chains, and badges, viz. the Lord Bishop of Winchester, Prelate of the Order, the Honourable and Reverend the Dean of Windsor, Register of the Order; Sir William Woods (Clarenceux King of Arms), Deputy to Sir Ralph Bigland, Knt. Garter Principal King of Arms; and Sir Augustus-William-James Clifford, Knt. Gentleman Usher of the Black Rod.

At half past two o'clock, the Knights Companions were called over by Deputy Garter, and, with the Officers of the Order, proceeded into the presence of the Sovereign, in the Throne-room.

The Sovereign being seated in the chair of state, the Knights Companions, by the Sovereign's command, took their respective seats at the table according to the order of their stalls, the Prelate stood on the right hand of His Majesty, and the Register, Deputy Garter, and Black Rod stood at the bottom of the table.

The Prelate then signified to the Chapter, the Sovereign's royal will and pleasure, that one of the vacant stalls in the Royal Chapel of St. George at Windsor be filled; and as by the statutes none but a Knight can be elected, his Grace George-Henry Duke of Grafton was introduced by Deputy Garter and Black Rod, and knighted by His Majesty with the sword of state.

The Knights Companions then proceeded to the election, and the suffrages having been collected by the Prelate, were by him presented to the Sovereign, who was pleased to command him to declare, and he accordingly declared, that the Most Noble George-Henry Duke of Grafton had been duly elected a Knight of the Most Noble Order of the Garter.

Then, by the Sovereign's command, his Grace was received at the door of the Chapter-room by the Marquess of Exeter and the Duke of Norfolk, the two Junior Knights Companions present, preceded by Deputy Garter (bearing the ensigns of the Order upon a crimson velvet cushion) and by Black Rod. The Duke of Grafton, kneeling near the Sovereign, and Garter presenting on his knee the Garter, His Majesty, assisted by His Royal Highness the Duke of Sussex and the Marquess Camden, the two Senior Knights Companions present, buckled it on

his Grace's left leg, the Prelate pronouncing the usual admonition.

Deputy Garter then presented, in like manner, the ribband with the George, and His Majesty, with the assistance of the said two Senior Knights Companions, put the same over the Duke of Grafton's left shoulder, the Prelate reading the admonition; after which his Grace had again the honour to kiss the Sovereign's hand, and having received the congratulations of each of the Knights Companions, withdrew.

The Chapter being ended, Deputy Garter again called over the Knights Companions, and a procession was made to the Royal Closet.

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The King, as Sovereign of the Most Noble Order of the Garter, has been graciously pleased, by letters patent under His royal sign manual and the great seal of the Order, bearing date this day, to dispense with all the statutes and regulations usually observed in regard to installation, and to grant unto the Most Noble George-Henry Duke of Grafton, Knight of the said Most Noble Order, and duly invested with the ensigns thereof, full power and authority to exercise all rights and privileges belonging to a Knight Companion of the Most Noble Order of the Garter, in as full and ample a manner as if his Grace had been formally installed, any decree, rule, or usage to the contrary notwithstanding.

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*CEREMONIAL of the Investiture of the Right Honourable Gilbert Earl of Minto, and of Lieutenant-General Sir William-Henry Pringle, with the Ensigns of Knights Grand Crosses of the Most Honourable Military Order of the Bath; and of Major-General Sir Alexander Woodford with the Ensigns of a Knight Commander of the said Most Honourable Military Order.*

THE following Knights Grand Crosses, in their mantles and collars of the Order, assembled at St. James's-Palace, viz. his Grace the Duke of Wellington, K. G.; Lord Viscount Strangford; Lord Hill; Lord Cowley; the Honourable Sir Edward Paget; the Honourable Sir Galbraith-Lowry Cole; the Right Honourable Sir George Murray; Sir William-Henry Clinton; the Honourable Sir Charles Colville; the Right Honourable Sir James Kempt; Sir George-Townsend Walker; Sir Thomas Hislop, Bart.; the Earl of Rosslyn; Lord Farnborough; the Right Honourable Sir Charles Bagot; Sir George Martin; the Right Honourable Sir Stratford Canning; the Right Honourable Sir Robert Gordon; Sir James-Hawkins Whitshed, Bart.; Sir Edward Barnes; the Honourable Sir Robert Stopford; the Honourable Sir William Lumley; Sir Thomas-Masterman Hardy, Bart.; Sir Pulteney Malcolm; Sir George Anson; Sir Thomas Dallas; the Right Honourable Sir Charles Mannors Sutton; Sir Herbert Taylor; Sir John Wells; and Lord Robert-Edward-Henry Somerset; attended by Walter Aston Blount, Esq. (Chester Herald), Genealogist of the