

At the Court at St. James's-Palace, May 17, 1837.

CEREMONIAL of the Investiture of Lieutenant-General Sir Thomas Makdougall Brisbane, Bart. with the Ensigns of a Knight Grand Cross of the Most Honourable Military Order of the Bath; and of Major General the Right Honourable Lord Downes and Colonel Sir Robert Gardiner, with the Star of the second Class 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, Lord Viscount Strangford, Lord Viscount Beresford, Lord Hill, Lord Cowley, Lord William Henry Cavendish Bentinck, the Honourable Sir Galbraith Lowry Cole, the Right Honourable Sir George Murray, the Honourable Sir Charles Colville, the Right Honourable Sir James Kempt, Sir George Townsend Walker, Bart., the Earl of Effingham, the Right Honourable Sir Charles Bagot, Sir George Martin, Sir Harry Neale, Bart., the Right Honourable Sir Stratford Canning, the Right Honourable Sir Robert Gordon, Sir Thomas Byam Martin, Sir James Hawkins Whitshed, Bart., Sir William Hbustoun, Bart., Sir Edward Barnes, Lord Strafford, the Honourable Sir Robert Stopford, the Right Honourable Sir Robert Adair, Sir Thomas Williams, the Honourable Sir William Lumley, Sir James-Willoughby Gordon, Bart., Sir Thomas-Masterman Hardy, Bart. Lord Viscount Palmerston, Sir Davidge Gould, Sir Pulteney Malcolm, Sir George Anson, Sir Thomas Dallas, Lord Viscount Canterbury, Sir Herbert Taylor, the Earl of Minto, Sir William Henry Pringle, Lord Aylmer, and Sir Lawrence William Halsted, attended by the under-named Officers of the Order, in their mantles, chains, and badges, viz. Algernon Greville, Esq. Bath King of Arms; Captain Michael Seymour, R. N. Register and Secretary; and George Frederick Beltz, Esq. Gentleman Usher of the Order.

At two o'clock, the Knights Grand Crosses were called over by Bath King of Arms; and, with the Officers of the Order, proceeded into the presence of the Sovereign in the Throne-room, with the usual reverences.

Then, by His Majesty's command, Lieutenant-General Sir Thomas Makdougall-Brisbane, Bart. was introduced into the royal presence, preceded by the Gentleman Usher and by Bath King of Arms, and was conducted to the right hand of the Sovereign.

The sword of state being thereupon delivered to the Sovereign by his Grace the Duke of Wellington (the senior Knight Grand Cross present), the Lieutenant-General, kneeling, was knighted therewith, after which he had the honour to kiss His Majesty's hand, and retired.

By the Sovereign's command, Sir Thomas Makdougall-Brisbane was then received at the entrance of the Throne-room by Lord Aylmer and Sir Lawrence William Halsted, and conducted between them to His Majesty, preceded by Bath King of Arms (bearing the ensigns of the Order upon a crimson velvet cushion), and by the Gentleman Usher of the Order.

His Grace the Duke of Wellington having received from Bath King of Arms the ribbon and

badge, presented them to the Sovereign, and Sir Thomas Makdougall-Brisbane, kneeling, His Majesty was graciously pleased to put the same over the Lieutenant-General's right shoulder; Sir Thomas Makdougall-Brisbane, rising, had again the honour to kiss His Majesty's hand, and, having received from the Sovereign the star of a Knight Grand Cross, retired.

Then, by command of the Sovereign, Major-General the Right Honourable Lord Downes was conducted, with the usual reverences, to His Majesty, preceded by Sir William Woods (the Officer of Arms attendant upon the Knights Commanders), bearing upon a crimson velvet cushion the star of a Knight Commander of the Order; the sword of state being thereupon delivered to the Sovereign by his Grace the Duke of Wellington, the Major-General, kneeling, was knighted therewith, after which he had the honour to kiss His Majesty's hand.

The Officer of Arms, on his knee, then presented to the Sovereign the star of the second class of the Order, and His Majesty was graciously pleased to invest his Lordship therewith, after which the Major-General had again the honour to kiss the Sovereign's hand, and retired.

Colonel Sir Robert Gardiner was introduced, with the like ceremonies, and invested by His Majesty with the star of the second class of the Order.

The Knights Grand Crosses were then, by His Majesty's command, again called over, and, with the Officers of the Order, retired from the presence of the Sovereign, with the accustomed reverences.

Crown-Office, May 19, 1837.

MEMBERS returned to serve in this present PARLIAMENT.

Town and Port of Hythe.

William Hugh Elliott, commonly called Viscount Melgund, in the room of Stewart Marjoribanks, Esq. who has accepted the Chiltern Hundreds.

Borough of Bridgwater.

Henry Broadwood, Esq. in the room of John Temple Leader, Esq. who has accepted the Chiltern Hundreds.

War-Office, 19th May 1837.

3d Regiment of Light Dragoons, Lieutenant-Colonel Joseph Thackwell, from the half-pay Unattached, to be Lieutenant-Colonel, vice Charles Stisted, who exchanges, receiving the difference. Dated 19th May 1837.

Captain Henry Bond, from the 11th Light Dragoons, to be Captain, vice Levett, who exchanges. Dated 19th May 1837.

11th Regiment of Light Dragoons, Captain Theophilus Levett, from the 3d Light Dragoons, to be Captain, vice Bond, who exchanges. Dated 19th May 1837.