

ELECTION OF HIS ROYAL HIGHNESS PRINCE FREDERIC  
WILLIAM NICHOLAS CHARLES OF PRUSSIA INTO THE  
MOST NOBLE ORDER OF THE GARTER AND INVESTITURE WITH THE  
ENSIGNS THEREOF.

*At the Court at Windsor Castle, January 28, 1858.*

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 Guard Chamber; viz.: His Royal Highness the Duke of Cambridge, the Marquis of Exeter, the Duke of Richmond, the Duke of Buccleuch, the Marquis of Lansdowne, the Duke of Cleveland, the Marquis of Abercorn, the Marquis Camden, the Earl of Clarendon, Earl Fortescue, Viscount Palmerston, Earl Granville, and the Marquis of Westminster, attended by the Officers of the Order following, in their mantles, chains, and badges; viz.: the Lord Bishop of Winchester, Prelate; the Lord Bishop of Oxford, Chancellor; the Honourable and Reverend the Dean of Windsor, Register; Sir Charles George Young, Knight, Garter Principal King of Arms; and James Pulman, Esquire; Yeoman Usher of the Black Rod, officiating by especial permission in the absence of Sir Augustus William James Clifford, Baronet, Gentleman Usher of the Black Rod. At three o'clock, the Knights Companions were severally called over by Garter in St. George's Hall, and proceeded into the Grand Reception Room. The Sovereign, His Royal Highness the Prince Consort, and His Royal Highness the Duke of Saxe Coburg and Gotha, having passed into the Throne Room, the Knights Companions, with the Officers of the Order, proceeded into the presence of the Sovereign.

The Sovereign being seated in her Chair of State, the Knights Companions took their respective seats at the table, the Prelate standing on the right hand of the Sovereign and the Chancellor on the left hand, the Register, Garter, and Black Rod standing at the bottom of the table.

The Chancellor then, by command of the Sovereign, signified Her Majesty's Royal will and pleasure that the Chapter should proceed to the Election of a lineal descendant of King George the First, in the person of His Royal Highness Prince FREDERIC WILLIAM NICHOLAS CHARLES OF PRUSSIA.

The Knights then proceeded to the Election, and the Suffrages being collected by the Chancellor were by him presented to Her Majesty, who commanded him to declare, and he accordingly declared, that His Royal Highness Prince Frederic William Nicholas Charles of Prussia had been duly elected a Knight of the Most Noble Order of the Garter.

Then by the Sovereign's command, His Royal Highness was conducted from St. George's Hall by Earl Granville and the Marquess of Westminster, the two junior Knights Companions, to the Chapter Room, preceded by Garter, bearing the Ensigns upon a velvet cushion, and by the Yeoman Usher of the Black Rod.

The Prince kneeling on the right hand, near the Sovereign, Garter on his knee, presented the Garter, and Her Majesty, assisted by His Royal Highness the Prince Consort and His Royal Highness the Duke of Cambridge, the two Senior Knights Companions present, buckled it on His Royal Highness's left leg, the Chancellor pronouncing the Admonition.

Garter next presented in like manner the Riband and George, when Her Majesty, assisted as before, put the same over His Royal Highness's left shoulder, the Chancellor pronouncing the Admonition.

The Prince then kissed her Majesty's hand, and having received the congratulations of each of the Knights Companions, retired from the Chapter Room.

Garter then, by Her Majesty's command, called over the Knights Companions, who with the Officers of the Order, retired from the presence of the Sovereign with the usual reverences.

The Yeomen of the Guard were stationed in the Vestibule, and a Guard of Honour, of the Scots Fusilier Guards, was mounted in the Great Quadrangle of the Castle during the Chapter.