

The Sovereign rising made his Reverence at the Rails, at the Bottom of the Steps of the Altar, and again in the middle of the Choir, and ascended into his Stall, and making another Reverence therein, (all of them towards Altar only) then sat down.

All the Attendants in this Procession turned as the Sovereign did, made their Reverences in the same Manner without any Obeisances toward the Sovereign's Stall, his Majesty being in the Procession.

The Lord Chamberlain in his Return being come opposite to his Stall, made his Obeisances, and retired under his Banner.

The Knight who carried the Offering retired in like manner.

During this Time, the Officers of the Wardrobe removed the upper rich Carpet and Cushions, whereon the Sovereign kneeled, leaving the first Carpet laid over the Steps to remain, and placed two other Cushions near the Rails of the Altar for the Knights Companions to kneel upon.

In the mean time, the Usher of the Black Rod returned with the accustomed Obeisances, and stood before his Form.

All the Knights Companions thus standing under their Banners, Lion King of Arms and the eldest Provincial King of Arms join'd, came down from the Places where they stood, and making their Reverences, in the middle of the Choir, went towards his Royal Highness the Prince of Wales, and bowing to him, he then removed from under his Banner into the middle of the Choir, made his double Reverences, and was conducted by these Officers to the first Step ascending to the Altar, where the same Reverences were repeated, and at the Rails of the Altar to the Altar only, where his Royal Highness taking off his Cap and Feathers, kneeled down and put his Offering of Gold and Silver into the Basin held as before, and rising made his Reverence to the Altar singly, and repeated his double Obeisances at the lowest Step, and was thence conducted by those Officers thro' the Area of the Chapel, where after the accustomed Reverences he ascended into his own Stall, and there repeating his Reverences, sat down therein.

These Officers of Arms returned to their former Stations.

Then *Blanch Courrier* Herald to his Royal Highness the Duke, and after him the two Senior Officers of Arms, next to those who waited upon the Prince of Wales, in like manner went to the Duke, who made his Offering with the same Ceremonies, and returned to his own Stall in like manner.

The next two eldest Officers of Arms, in like manner conducted all the other Knights, either by Pairs when they were Fellows in opposite Stalls, or single when their Fellows were ab-

sent, with the like Solemnities; which Ceremonies were done to all the Knights present respectively, according to the Seniority of their Stalls.

The Sovereign and Knights being all thus in their Stalls, and the Officers of the Order placed upon their Forms, Divine Service proceeded, and being ended, the Prelate was conducted down to his Seat by the Serjeant of the Vestry, and the two Prebendaries by the Virger.

The Poor Knights standing at this time on both Sides near the Rails of the Altar, and the Officers of Arms next to them.

Garter then went into the middle of the Choir, and in the former manner summoned down the Knights from their Stalls, either by Pairs or single, who all retired under their Banners; with this only Distinction, that he began by summoning the Knights in the lower Stalls, and proceeded on according to the Juniority of the Knights in a Succession, who all descended with the usual Ceremonies and stood under their Banners respectively.

The Officers of the Order stood before their Forms.

The Poor Knights came down by Pairs, made their Reverences in a joint Body, and began the Procession out of the Chapel; and being passed by the Sovereign's Stall,

The Prebendaries immediately came out of their Seats by Pairs, and with the same Ceremonies followed the Poor Knights.

Then after the Prebendaries, all the Officers of Arms in like manner.

The Knights Companions then removed from under their Banners either by Pairs or single, the Juniors going first out of the Chapel: observing this Rule, that as soon as the Junior Knight was come opposite to the Sovereign's Stall, the next Junior or Juniors removed in like manner from under their Banners.

His Royal Highness the Duke.

His Royal Highness the Prince of Wales.

Then the Black Rod, Garter, and Register of the Order in breast.

The Chancellor and Prelate in breast.

The Sword of State, and Vice Chamberlain as before.

The Sovereign having made his Reverence to the Altar, descended from his Stall, repeated the same, and proceeded out of the Chapel, his Train born as before.

This Procession was made through the middle Isle, down to the West Door of the Chapel, and then up the South Isle, and out of the South Door, to the upper Castle, between the Castle Wall and the *Keep*, the Trumpets sounding all the way to the Stairs foot that lead up to the Chamber of Prefence, where the Drums and Fifes placed at the Foot of the Stairs did beat and sound.

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