

The poor Knights entering the Guard Chamber, filed off on each Side, for the Proceſſion to be made between them, as did alſo the Prebendaries in like manner.

The Officers of Arms proceeded into the Prefence Chamber, and there filed off on each Side in like manner; the Purſuivants ſtanding next to the Door whereby they entered; and then the Knights Companions filed off in the like manner, ſtanding on each ſide according to the Situation of their Stalls; thoſe Companions in the higheſt Stalls neareſt to the State. The Sovereign having the Officers of the Order before him, paſſed through, while the Companions made their Reverences to him, and the Officers of the Order having diſpoſed themſelves outside the Knights near the State; the Sovereign ſtanding under the State, ſaluted the Companions by putting off his Cap and Feather, and then retired into the Privy Lodgings until Dinner-time.

The Lord Chamberlain, or Vicechamberlain gave Order to the Gentlemen Uſhers, to give warning to the ſeveral Officers concerned, to prepare Dinner according to their reſpective Duties.

When the firſt Service had been placed both on the Sovereign's Table, and on the Tables of the Knights, the Sovereign, having the Officers of the Order going before him, (who waited at the Door coming from the Privy Lodgings for that Purpoſe,) entred again the Prefence Chamber, where the Knights having ranked themſelves in the former manner according to their Stalls, his Maſteſty ſaluted them, and a Proceſſion was thence made into St. George's Hall, in this manner.

Officers of Arms, two and two.

The Knights ſingle, or by Pairs according to their Stalls, the Juniors going firſt, all in their full Robes and Enſigns.

His Royal Highneſs the Duke.

His Royal Highneſs the Prince of Wales.

The Black-Rod and Garter in breáſt.

The Prelate alone, the Sovereign having diſpen- ced with the Abſence of the Chancellor.

The Sovereign.

The Officers of Arms ſtood at the lower End of the Hall upon their Entrance into it; the Seniors neareſt to the State.

The Knights Companions paſſed up beyond them, and ſtood each above the other according to their Seniority, (the Seniors neareſt the State,) and continued all in a Line or Row on the Right-hand Side of the Hall.

The Officers of the Order coming up before the Sovereign, at the Haut-pas, retired on the Right-hand at the Top of the Hall, ſtanding behind the Knights.

The Duke and the Prince of Wales ſtopt at the Haut-pas until the Sovereign had aſcended, and placed himſelf under the State, and then the

Prince of Wales and the Duke aſcended the Haut-pas, and ſtood at the Right and Left End of the Sovereign's Table.

As the Sovereign paſſed through to the Haut-pas, all the Knights Companions took off their Caps and Feathers, bowing to him as he paſſed, who being under the State, there ſtanding ſaluted the Knights: And Grace being then ſaid by the Prelate, the Sovereign ſat down in his Chair placed in the middle of the Table, and then the Prince of Wales at the right, and the Duke at the left End thereof.

Then all the Knights put on their Caps, who according to their Seniorities were conducted from the Places where they ſtood, by the Officers of Arms, to the Inſide of the Table, where they all ſat in a Row or Line, one below the other, according to their Seniorities in this Order.

Towards the latter End of this firſt Courſe, a large gilt Cup with Wine was brought to the Sovereign by the Nobleman who waits Cup-bearer, with the uſual Ceremonies.

The Sovereign then was pleaſed to drink to the Companions, while the Prince of Wales, the Duke, and all the Companions ſtood up uncovered; and a Glaſs of Wine being brought to every Companion, they altogether thus ſtanding up uncovered, pledged the Sovereign, and then ſat down and put on their Caps.

The ſecond Courſe was then brought in the following Manner to the Sovereign's Table.

Four Serjeants at Arms, with their Maces, going two and two.

Comptroller and Treafurer of the Houſhold in Breáſt, with their white Staves.

The Sewer.

Gentlemen Penſioners bearing the Diſhes:

Two Clerks of the Green Cloth:

Two Clerks Comptrollers:

A Clerk of the Kitchen.

The ſecond Courſe was then ſerv'd to the Table of the Knights Companions by the Yeomen of the Guard.

Garter in his Mantle bearing his Rod, and attended by all the Officers of Arms following him in their Degrees, made his Obeifance at the lower End of the Hall, and again in the middle thereof, and laſtly at the Foot of the Haut-pas, and then aſcended the loweſt Step thereof, and having there thrice cried *Largeſſe*, proclaimed the Sovereign's Style in Latin.

Then he, with the Officers of Arms (who continued under the Haut-pas) making another Reverence, proclaimed the Style in *French*.

And again, after the like Reverence, proclaimed the Style in *Engliſh*.

Then Garter, and all the other Officers cried *Largeſſe* thrice.

Garter