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TH*Hague, July 31, N. S.*
E Sovereign of the most Noble Order of the Garter having constituted the Honourable William Finch, Esq; his Majesty's Plenipotentiary to the High and Mighty Lords the States-General of the United Provinces, and John Anstis, Esq; Garter Principal King of Arms, to be his Plenipotentiaries for investing his Highness William-Charles-Henry-Frifo, Prince of Orange and Nassau, lately elected a Companion of that Order, with the Garter, George, and the other Ensigns and Habits thereof; Mr. Anstis landed at Rotterdam upon Friday the 17th Day of July, N. S. in the Evening, and next Morning hastened to the Hague, where attending upon Mr. Finch, they in the Afternoon had a private Audience of his Highness, to whom Mr. Finch made the proper Salutations, and then they delivered their Credential Letters sign'd by the Sovereign, and sealed with the Signet of the Order; which his Highness having perused, was pleased to declare, that he was very sensible of the great Honour his Majesty design'd for him: Garter then taking the Book containing the Statutes of the Order, attested under the Great Seal, enclosed in a Silver Box whereon the Arms of the Sovereign were engraven, and having kissed it, delivered the same to Mr. Finch, who presented it to his Highness, that he thereby might be fully apprized of such Engagements as would be required from him upon his Acceptance of this Order. To which his Highness replied, That he would take the first Opportunity to examine every Article of them.

Upon Wednesday the 22d following, his Highness declared his Readiness to accept these Statutes under some Reservations, which were reduced into Writing in the following Words: *Quatenus observari possint, ac debeant, dum verbo Dei & professe a Nobis Religioni non adversarentur, & quatenus iuribus & privilegiis Sacri Romani Imperii, & iuribus & privilegiis Reipublice Federati Belgii inferioris, sive in particulari earum Provinciarum quarum sumus Gubernator, aut juramentis quibus eisdem ascripti sumus, nullatenus derogarent.*

The Plenipotentiaries agreed to allow all these several Conditions and Reservations; whereupon his Highness having signed and sealed an Instrument, certifying his Reception of the Order in that Manner, Garter King of Arms then delivered the Garter (the chief Ensign of the Order, which was adorned with 545 Brilliant Diamonds) to Mr. Finch, which they forthwith buckled upon the Left Leg of his Highness, in his House at the Hague; Garter then reading the usual Ad-

monition in the English Language, which his Highness understands, and speaks very distinctly.

Then they placed over the Left Shoulder of his Highness the Blue Ribbon with the George pendant thereto, bringing that Ribbon athwart under his Right Arm, Garter then reading the accustomed Admonition; and the irradiated Star, or Glory, was fixed upon the Left Side of his Highness's Coat, pursuant to a Dispensation granted under the Seal of the Order for that special Purpose.

It being agreed, that the remaining Rites of the Investiture should be performed in his Highness's House, called the House in the Wood, distant a Mile and half from the Hague, which was built by the Princess Amelia de Solms, Relict of Frederick-Henry, Prince of Orange, and Knight of this Order; Preparations were made for that Purpose in the Salon there, call'd the Salon d' Orange, because it is adorned with the Representations of the heroidal Exploits of the same Fredrick-Henry, painted by the greatest Masters.

The upper Part of this Room was upon this Occasion raised two Steps, and rail'd in, and covered with Turkey Carpets; in the Middle whereof a Stall was erected with a Canopy for the Sovereign, in which Stall, above the Chair, his Royal Arms and Titles were fixed; and at some Distance, on the Left Side of it, another Stall was erected, with a Canopy, for his Highness, having an Escutcheon of his Arms, inscribed with his Styles, set up likewise over the Chair: Which two Stalls were placed conformable to the Situation of them in the Chapel at Windsor. On the Right and Left Sides of those Rails Spaces were left, wherein Chairs were placed for the Reception of the Deputies of the States of Guelderland, Friseland, and Groningen, and for Ladies, Noblemen, and Persons of great Distinction. On the Sides of this Salon there were Scaffolds built for other Spectators, covered with Cloth. During the Time that these Preparations were making in that House, his Highness was pleased to demand from Garter, whether the Knights Elect, when they came to receive their Installations at Windsor, were not apparelled in some particular Under Habits, which they wore upon their Introductions into the Chapter-house there? Whereunto Garter returned Answer, That King Charles the Second, in the Year 1661, observing, that the Companions at that Time appeared in Under-Habits made of different Materials, and of different Fashions; therefore thought fit to ordain, that for the future all Knights Companions should wear under their Surcoats, a Doublet with the ancient Trunk Hose, or Breeches, made

the Solemnities of Installations, and the Celebrations of St. George's Feast (which two Ceremonies are tied down by the Statutes to be performed at Windsor locally.) So that this Decree hath always been understood not to comprehend the Investitures of Foreign Princes solemnized beyond Sea; insomuch, that no such Under-Habits have ever been prepared by the Officers of the Sovereign's Wardrobe by any Warrant upon such Occasions. His Highness thereon said, that though this Decree, in the Strictness of its Terms, might not extend to this his Case, yet being resolved to observe every Article or Custom used by any Companions elected, how minute soever, he would give Order that such Under-Habits should be provided.

Upon Saturday the 25th of July, the Day appointed for completing the Investiture, his Highness came to his House in the Wood, having under his ordinary Apparel the Doublet and Trunk-Hose, both of Cloth of Silver, together with Shooes and Gloves made in the same Form and Materials with those commonly worn by the Companions at Windsor; and retired into an inner Chamber, where after some Repose, the Plenipotentiaries disrobed him of the Ribbon and George thereto pendant, and of his Upper Habit, and took off his Sword (which was worn by Garter King of Arms during the Residue of these Ceremonies.)

His Highness being thus in his Under-Habits, with the Diamond Garter about his Leg, such Rites were performed in that Place, as would have been done, in case his Highness had been introduced into the Chapter-House at Windsor; that is, Garter took up the Surcoat of the Order, and delivered it to Mr. Finch, wherewith they jointly invested his Highness, Garter then reading the Admonition in English given upon such Occasions; and then these Plenipotentiaries girded upon his Highness the Sword of the Order, hanging to a Crimson Velvet Girdle, or Belt, over the Surcoat.

Which being done, a Procession was regularly made to the Salon d' Orange, through the Chambers (which are all hung with the richest Tapestry in distinct Pieces, each of them representing one of the Ancestors of the Prince of Orange, in the direct Male Line, from Adolphus of Nassau Emperour of Germany, with Draughts of their famous Military Achievements, and having the Effigies of their respective Consorts, whose Names and Arms are inscribed thereon, down to King William the Third and Queen Mary inclusive.)

The Gentlemen and Officers of his Highness begun it, going by Pairs in Breast,

Two Barons de Sloet, Gentlemen of his Highness,

Count Maurice of Nassau, Gentleman of his Highness, Lieutenant of Foot in the Service of the Republick of the United Provinces, having on his Right Hand the Baron of Patkul, another Gentleman of his Highness, Captain of Foot in the same Service.

M. Bigot, another Gentleman of his Highness, Captain of Foot in the same Service, having on his Right Hand the Count de Kilmanseck, Gentleman likewise to his Highness

The Count Henry de Nassau, another Gentleman to his Highness, and Captain of

publick of the United Provinces, having on his Right Hand M. de Saumaise, Gentleman to his Highness, Captain of Foot in the same Service.

The Baron of Grovesteins, another Gentleman to his Highness, and Captain of Horse in the same Service, having on his Right Hand the Count de Nassau Beverwoerd, another Gentleman to his Highness, Major of a Regiment of Horse in the same Service.

The Baron of Aylva, Great Master of the Horse to his Highness, Grand Bailiff of the Town and County of Buren, and Colonel of a Regiment of Foot in the Service of the Republick of the United Provinces, having on his Right Hand the Baron de Lynden, Lord of Parck, Great Master of the Household of his Highness, Brigadier General, and Colonel of a Regiment of Horse in the same Service.

Mr. Pomfret, Pursuivant, by the Title of Rouge Croix, habited in the Tabart or Coat of Arms of the Sovereign, carried the Cap with Plumes of Ostrich Feathers with the Hern Top; the Front of the Bever, or Brim, of this Cap was enriched in the Middle with a Diamond of an extraordinary Size, weighing 40 Carats, and at some Distance from it several other Diamonds were placed, each of them weighing from 11 to 14 Carats. The Edge of this Bever was adorned with 37 very large Oriental Pearls, and round the Cap many other Diamonds were placed in the Manner of an Hatband.

Mr. Antis, jun. in the Coat of a King of Arms, with the Collar of SS, having the Badge belonging to him as an Officer of the most Honourable Order of the Bath, pendant to a red Ribbon, carried in a Case of red Velvet the great Collar of the Order, to which the George, cut upon an Onyx Stone, and surrounded with 13 large Brilliant Diamonds was pendant; and so hung as to appear to the View of all Persons present.

Garter King of Arms, habited in his proper Mantle, and wearing his Badge or Medal hung to a Chain of Gold, carried upon a crimson Velvet Cushion fringed with Gold the Sovereign's Commission, the Mantle and Tassels, the Hood of the Order, with the Book containing the Statutes.

Mr. Finch proceeded singly.

His Highness the Prince of Orange in his Surcoat girded with the Sword.

Immediately upon the Entry into the Salon, the Gentlemen and Officers of his Highness thus proceeding by Pairs, made their Obeisances jointly towards the Stall of the Sovereign, and repeated the same in the Middle, and again upon their ascending the Haut-pas; as all others, who afterwards entered single, made their three Obeisances in the like Manner towards the Sovereign's Stall.

The Pursuivant and King of Arms deposited the Ensigns carried by them upon a Table placed near to the Stall of his Highness, and retiring stood by the Rails, and then Garter laid down the Cushion with the Ensigns upon the same Table; Mr. Finch in the mean time came near to an Elbow Chair upon the Right, and Garter then went near to another Elbow Chair upon the left Side of the Prince's Stall; while his Highness took his Chair

Chair under the Canopy of his Stall, where being pleased to sit down, the Plenipotentiaries did the same in their several Chairs.

The Musick played for some Time, and when it ceased, Mr. Finch arose and made an Obedience towards the Sovereign's Stall, which was likewise done at the same Time by Garter, who both turning themselves to the Prince, then also standing up, Mr. Finch made a Speech in English, setting forth the Antiquity and Dignity of this most noble Order, wherein, among other Particulars, he observed, that several Princes of Orange of the most illustrious Family of Nassau, had been Companions of it, and that one of them had been the Sovereign: That his Majesty the King of Great Britain maturely considering the Splendour of this Family, and the personal Merits of his Highness, had sent to him all the Ensigns, Habits and Ornaments of it (pointing to them lying on the Table) as the first Mark and Testimony of his great Affection and Esteem. To which his Highness return'd a suitable Answer.

Garter then making his Obedience towards the Sovereign's Stall, took up the Commission, and having kissed it, delivered the same to Mr. Finch, who presenting it to the Prince, his Highness forthwith delivered it to M. Arnoldi, his Counsellor and Secretary, to be read aloud; during which Time all Persons stood up, and the Secretary with the greatest Submission returning it to the Prince, his Highness gave it to Garter, to be preserved in the Archives of the Order.

The Musick then played again for some Time, while his Highness repused himself in his Stall, and the Plenipotentiaries late in their Chairs. Garter then arose, and made his Obedience towards the Sovereign's Stall, and his Reverence also to the Prince, and taking from the Table the Mantle of the Order, delivered it to Mr. Finch, who, assisted by Garter, invested his Highness therewith, Garter reading the Admonition prescribed.

In the same Form the Hood was delivered and fixed upon the Right Shoulder of his Highness.

Garter then took up the great Collar of the Order, with the George embellished with Diamonds thereto appendant, and having kissed it, presented it to Mr. Finch, who jointly with Garter placed it upon the Shoulders of his Highness, over the Surcoat and Hood, Garter then pronouncing the proper and accustomed Admonition.

The Plenipotentiaries then presented to his Highness the Book containing the Statutes of the Order, and his Highness then delivered to them authentick Letters under his Hand and Seal, certifying his Reception of the Order, with his Promise to observe the Statutes under the Reservations formerly express'd and stipulated.

The Cap with the Feathers was then presented by the Plenipotentiaries to his Highness, who after making an Obedience to the Sovereign's Stall, put it on, and sat down in his Stall, as did the Plenipotentiaries in their Chairs.

After a short Repose Garter arose, and making his Obedience to the Sovereign's Stall, and his Reverence to the Prince, proclaimed the Styles of the Sovereign, and also of the Prince, in the Latin Tongue, because Persons

of different Languages were there present; during which Proclamations the Prince stood up, holding his Cap with the Feathers in his Hand.

This Proclamation of the Styles being made, the Trumpets sounded and Kettle Drums beat.

Mr. Finch then congratulated his Highness in a short Speech, to which his Highness returned a proper Answer.

The Musick then played, and the Investiture being thus perfected, a Return was made from the Salon with the same Ceremonies as had been observed upon the Entry into it, with this Addition, that a Reverence was made to the Prince, as long as he continued in his Stall; and that when his Highness descended from the Haut pas, four of his Pages (who stood near the Rails) bore the Train of his Mantle.

His Highness being thus in the full Habits of the Order, was pleased to shew himself, by walking upon the Pavement below the Portal, to a great number of Persons then without the House, who expressed their Rejoicings by loud Acclamations.

His Highness retired into the inner-Chambers, and the Stalls, Canopies, Haut pas, and scaffoldings being removed, a Table was placed in the Salon; and the first Messes being set upon it, his Highness being then in his Surcoat only, with the great Collar over it (according to the Practice at Windsor in hot Days) entred, and sat down in the Middle of the Table on the Right Side thereof, having Mr. Finch on his Right, and Garter, wearing his Mantle, on his Left hand; all other Persons who dined at that Table indiscriminately and promiscuously seating themselves in the Chairs that chanced to be next to them, without any Regard to Precedency. These were the Deputies of the States of Guelderland, Friseland, and Groningen. There dined likewise at this Table M. d' Ayrolle, the King of Great Britain's Minister, M. Sporken, his Majesty's Minister as Elector, his Grace the Duke of Queensberry, and the Right Honourable the Earl Grahme.

The Prince's Cap, by reason of the Heat, was held behind his Chair by a Page during the greatest Part of the Dinner: But when the Desert had remained some Time upon the Table, his Highness put it on, and after a little Interval arose and took it off, and was pleased to drink Health to the King of Great Britain Sovereign of the most Noble Order of the Garter; which was pledged by every one at the Table standing, having Glasses of Wine ready fill'd for that Purpose, the Trumpets sounding and Drums beating during that Time. His Highness then named the Health of the Queen of Great Britain, next the Healths of the Prince of Wales and Duke of Cumberland, Companions of the Order, and then the Healths of all the other Companions: The Health of the Princess, Royal of Great Britain, and lastly, the Healths of the Four Princesses; which were all severally pledged with the like Ceremonies.

Mr. Finch then drank the Health of his Highness the Prince of Orange; next that of the Princess Mother of his Highness, and then, Prosperity to the Republick of the United Provinces.

His Highness then drank Prosperity to the three Provinces of Guelderland, Friesland, and Groningen.

Afterwards, the Deputies of these States drank a lasting Union and good Harmony betwixt the King of Great Britain and the Republick of the United Provinces. All which were separately drank in like Manner.

A Table was provided for several English Gentlemen, and others, in another Room. And a great Number of Persons were entertained in the Wood with Plenty of Wine, who made loud Shouts of Joy.

The whole was performed with the greatest Magnificence, Splendour, and Regularity.

Hague, July 31, N. S. Yesterday the States of Holland took into Consideration the Affair of the Delivery of the Effects of the late King William claimed by the Prince of Orange; and it is believed they will come to a final Resolution upon it the next Week. The Grand Pensionary has consented to hold his Employment for some Time longer. The Duke and Dutchess of Queensberry set out for the Spa on the 29th Instant.

Admiralty Office, July 13, 1733.

His Majesty having been graciously pleased by his Warrant under his Royal Sign Manual, dated the 10th of June past, to establish certain Rules and Orders for the better Government of the Charity for Relief of poor Widows of Commission and Warrant Officers of the Royal Navy; These are to give Notice to all such Widows as aforesaid, whose Husbands died on or since the 30th of August 1732, that Copies of the said Rules and Orders are lodged with the Commissioners of his Majesty's Navy at Chatham, Portsmouth, and Plymouth, and also with the Clerks of the Cheque at Deptford and Woolwich, and the Naval Officers at Harwich, Deal, and Kinsale, where they may be informed of all Particulars which entitle such Widows to the Benefit of the said Charity, and receive the proper Certificates for that Purpose: But such Widows as live at too great Distance from the Places above-mentioned, may apply by Letter to Mr. Corbett, at the Admiralty Office, who will send them all necessary Information. And the Court of Assistants for Management of the said Charity do hereby give Notice, that they will meet at the Admiralty Office on Tuesday the 11th of September, at Eight of the Clock in the Morning, to receive the Claims of such Widows as shall be qualified according to the said Rules and Orders.

Victualling Office, July 27, 1733.

The Commissioners for Victualling his Majesty's Navy give Notice, That on Wednesday the 15th Day of August next, in the Forenoon, they will be ready to receive Proposals in Writing, seal'd up, at their Office on Tower-hill, from all such Persons as are willing to serve his Majesty's Navy with Butter, Suffolk and Cheshire Cheese, for the Year ensuing, ending at Michaelmas, 1734.

The Cashiers appointed by the Bank to receive the Contributions for the Lottery for 500,000*l.* for the Relief of the Sufferers in the Charitable Corporation give Notice, That they will be ready to take in Subscriptions, and receive Contributions, on Wednesday Morn-

ing, being the First Day of August, 1733, and that Receipts for the same shall be got ready with all convenient Speed.

South Sea House, London, July 27, 1733.

The Court of Directors of the South Sea Company give Notice, that a General Court of the said Company will be held at their House in Threadneedle-street on Thursday next, being the Second of August, at Eleven in the Forenoon, in order to consider of and declare a Dividend on the Capital Stock of the said Company for the Half Year ended at Midsummer last.

South Sea House, London, July 27, 1733.

The Court of Directors of the South Sea Company give Notice, That in pursuance of the Act of the last Session of Parliament, for dividing the Capital Stock of the said Company into New South Sea Annuities, and a Trading Stock, the Transfer Books of such Trading Stock will be open'd on Monday the 13th Day of August next; and that the Transfer Books of the said New South Sea Annuities will be open'd on Tuesday the 14th of the same Month. Also, That the Transfer Days of the said Trading Stock will be Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays, from Nine in the Morning till One each Day; and that the Transfer Days of the said New South Sea Annuities, will be Tuesdays, Thursdays, and Saturdays, between the same Hours on each of those Days. Holidays excepted.

Advertisements.

York, July 20, 1733.

MR. Oldfield having left the Star Inn in Stonegate, it is now kept by a Son of Mr. Bulman's; where Gentlemen and Others may have Entertainment for Man and Horse, and the best of Wines of all sorts; Pymount, Bath, and Bristol, and German Spaw Waters. Tho. Bulman.

TO be Sold to the best Bidder or Bidders, in the Whole or in Parcels, before Samuel Burroughs, Esq; one of the Masters of the High Court of Chancery, at his Chambers in Chancery-lane, pursuant to a Decree of the said Court, the several Manors and Lands of Inheritance following (that is to say) the Manors of Northaller, and Lands of Inheritance thereunto belonging, lying within the several Parishes of Southmolton, George-Nympton, and Bishop-Nympton, in the County of Devon; as also, the Manor of Chalarcombe Rawleigh, and the Manor of Washford Pyne, in the said County of Devon, late the Estate of John Hacche, Esq; deceased. Particulars may be had at the said Master's Chambers.

THE Creditors of Henry Monger, late of Lead-lane, London, Broker, against whom a Commission of Bankrupt is awarded, are desired to meet the Assignees on Thursday next, being the 2d Day of August, at Batson's Coffee-house in Cornhill, London, at Eleven of the Clock in the Forenoon, to consider and agree in what Manner the Assignees shall dispose of a capital Picture said to be of great Value, and done by Julio Romano, being Part of the Bankrupt's Effects.

THE Creditors of William Backshell, senior, deceased, are desired to meet on Tuesday the 7th of August next, at Three of the Clock in the Afternoon, at the Fleecce Tavern in Cornhill, on special Affairs.

Whereas a Commission of Bankrupt is awarded against Theophilus Clayton, of the City of Norwich, Upholster, and he being declared a Bankrupt, is hereby required to surrender himself to the Commissioners on the 6th and 11th of August next, and on the 6th of September following, at Three in the Afternoon, at the House of John Burroughs, call'd the Goat and Kid Tavern in Norwich, and make a full Discovery of his Estate and Effects; when and where the Creditors are to come prepared to prove their Debts, and at the first Sitting will chuse Assignees.

THE Commissioners in a Commission of Bankrupt awarded against Leodegery Wiscard, of the City of Norwich, Haberdasher of Hats, intend to meet on the 24th of August next, at Three in the Afternoon, at the House of John Barnby, being the Vine Tavern in the Parish of St. Andrew, in the said City of Norwich, in order to make a Dividend of the said Bankrupt's Estate; when and where the Creditors who have not already proved their Debts, are to come prepared to do the same, or they will be excluded the Benefit of the said Dividend.