

Anſtis arrived here from England the 5th of laſt Month.

The Commiſſioners having Yeſterday delivered to his Highneſs their Credential Letters and the Book of Statutes at the Houſe in the Wood, where the Ceremony was performed, and received an Inſtrument under the Hand and Seal of her Royal Highneſs the Princeſs Governante, wherein ſhe promiſes that ſhe will endeavour that the Prince her Son, when he comes to a more mature Age, ſhall obſerve every Article of them not contrary to the Religion to be profeſſed by him, or be derogatory to the Rights and Privileges of the Holy Roman Empire, or the Rights and Privileges of the Republick of the United Provinces, whereof he is Hereditary Stadtholder, or to the Oaths that he ſhall, in Conſequence thereof, hereafter take.

Which Reſervations being allowed, the Ceremony of the Inveſtiture was appointed to be performed this Day in the Salon d'Orange. The upper Part of the Room was upon this Occaſion raiſed two Steps, and railed in and covered with Turkey Carpets.

In the Middle was a Stall with a Canopy, and the Sovereign's Arms affixed above the Chair; on the left Side another for the Prince, with his Highneſs's Arms placed in like Manner. On the oppoſite Side was a Place allotted for the Deputations of their High and Noble Mightineſſes, under a Canopy, and Chairs placed for them. A Chair was likewiſe placed near the Rails for the Princeſs Caroline.

The Plenipotentiaries arrived at Court about Noon, and were received at the Coach Door by the Great Officers, Gentlemen, and Aids de Camp of her Royal Highneſs, the Guards beating a March. Upon the Top of the Stairs, which were lined with Halbertiers of his Highneſs's Guard, they were received by his Serene Highneſs, and conducted by him into an Apartment, where the Enſigns of the Order were placed upon a Table.

The Deputies of their High and Noble Mightineſſes were received in the ſame Manner, and were immediately ſeated under the Canopy in the Place erected for them.

The Proceſſion was ordered in the following Manner.

Their Royal and Serene Highneſſes Gentlemen and Aids de Camp, Two and Two.

The Prince's Chamberlains.

Major General Bigot, Chamberlain to her Royal Highneſs.

Thomas Thornbery, Eſq; Windſor Herald, carrying the Cap and Feather richly adorned with Pearls and Diamonds.

Garter King of Arms, carrying upon a Crimson Velvet Cushion, fringed with Gold, the Commiſſion, Garter, Ribon and George, Surcoat, Sword, Mantle and Taſſells, Hood, Collar, and Book of Statutes.

Mr. Yorke proceeded ſingly.

His Serene Highneſs the Prince having on his right Hand Baron Burmania, General of Foot in the Service of their High Mightineſſes, and Great Maſter of his Highneſs's Houſhold; and on his Left Baron of Groveſteins, Maſter of the Horſe to his Highneſs, and Lieutenant

General, followed by the Officers in Waiting of his Highneſs's Horſe-Guards and Halbertiers.

Immediately upon the Entry into the Salon, the Gentlemen and Officers of his Highneſs, thus proceeding by Pairs, made their Obeſances jointly towards the Stall of the Sovereign, and repeated the ſame in the Middle, and laſtly at the Places allotted for them.

Garter having depoſited the Cushion with the Enſigns upon a Table, Mr. Yorke proceeded to an Elbow Chair upon the Right, and Garter then went to another on the Left Side of the Prince's Stall.

His Highneſs the Prince, having alſo made the like Reverences, aſcended into his Stall.

The Muſick played for ſome Time, and when it ceaſed, the Prince and Plenipotentiaries roſe. Mr. Yorke making his Obeſance to the Sovereign's Stall, briefly acquainted his Highneſs, that his Maſteſty having choſen him into the Order of the Garter, had granted a Commiſſion for his Inveſtiture, which he deſired might be read.

Garter made his Obeſance to the Sovereign's Stall, and gave the Commiſſion to Mr. Yorke, who preſented it to the Prince; his Highneſs delivered it to one of his Secretaries to be read aloud, during which every Body ſtood up. The Secretary having read it, returned it to the Prince, who gave it to the King of Arms to be preſerved among the Archives of the Order.

The Muſick played again, during which Time his Highneſs repoſed himſelf in his Stall, and the Plenipotentiaries ſat down.

After which the King of Arms, making a Reverence to the Stall and to the Prince, gave the Garter to Mr. Yorke, and they jointly inveſted the Prince therewith, Garter reading the Admonition.

Then the Blue Ribon with the George was put over the Prince's Left Shoulder, and brought athwart under his Right Arm, Garter reading the Admonition.

The Surcoat, Sword, Mantle and Taſſells, Hood, Collar, Book of Statutes, Cap and Feathers, were delivered to his Highneſs with the accuſtomed Admonitions.

Mr. Yorke then ſet forth in a Speech the Antiquity and Dignity of the Moſt Noble Order into which his Highneſs was elected, and complimented him thereupon.

Baron Burmania answered in his Highneſs's Name.

Laſtly, Garter King of Arms proclaimed the Stiles of the Sovereign and his Highneſs, during which Proclamation the Prince and all Perſons preſent ſtood up.

The Proclamation of the Stiles being made, the Muſick played while the Ceremony returned in the Manner it proceeded.

After the Inveſtiture, the Prince was pleaſed to ſhew himſelf to a great Number of People gathered without the Houſe, who expreſſed their Rejoycings by loud Acclamations.

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A grand Entertainment was prepared upon this Occaſion, to which the Deputations of their High and Noble Mightineſſes, ſeveral

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