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*St. James's, April 23.*

**A** Chapter of the most Noble Order of the Garter having been summoned to meet this Day, the Knights Companions, with the Officers of the Order hereafter mentioned, all in their Mantles, attended the Sovereign in his own Apartment; and being called over by Garter King of Arms, a Procession was made from thence to the Great Council Chamber, in the following Order :

Earl of Bute.  
Earl of Cardigan.  
Earl of Lincoln.  
Duke of Bedford.  
Duke of Leeds.

His Royal Highness Prince William.  
Black Rod.—The Deputy Register.—Garter.  
The Chancellor of the Order.

## The SOVEREIGN.

The Sovereign and Knights Companions being seated, the Chancellor signified to the Chapter, the Sovereign's Pleasure for filling up the two vacant Stalls.

The Knights Companions then proceeded to Election; and the Suffrages being collected by the Chancellor, and presented to the Sovereign, his Serene Highness the Duke of Mecklenburgh Strelitz was declared duly elected.

Garter and Black Rod were then sent to introduce the Earl of Halifax, who being knighted by His Majesty, with the Sword of State, withdrew.

The Chapter then proceeded to the other Election, and the Earl of Halifax was declared duly elected: His Lordship was thereupon received at the Door of the Chapter Room by the two junior Knights Companions, and conducted between them to the Sovereign; being preceded by Garter King of Arms, bearing the Ensigns on a Cushion, and Black Rod.

Garter presenting the Garter to the Sovereign, His Majesty delivered it to the two Senior Knights, who buckled it upon his Lordship's Left Leg, the Chancellor reading the Admonition.

Garter then presented the Ribbon with the George; and his Lordship kneeling down, the Sovereign, with the Assistance of the two Knights, put it over his Shoulder, the Chancellor in the mean Time pronouncing the Admonition; and having kissed His Majesty's Hand, and severally saluted all the Knights present, he withdrew.

Garter then calling over the Knights, a Procession was made back to His Majesty's Closet, in the same Order it came from thence.

*Petersburg, March 27.* The Crew of an English Ship, which was wreck'd in the Neighbourhood of Cola, having been ill treated by some Officers who commanded there, the Empress immediately, upon

the first Representation made by the Consul, dispatched an Officer of the Guards to take Cognizance of the Affair and punish the Offenders.

*Leghorn, April 6.* The 3d Instant, in the Afternoon, his Royal Highness the Duke of York, arrived hence from Florence, attended by Sir William Boothby, Colonel St. John, and Sir Horace Mann: Mr. Dick, the British Consul, and the Factory, had the Honour to meet his Royal Highness about four Miles from hence, with a Train of about Twenty Coaches. A Detachment of Dragoons was placed to escort his Royal Highness into the Town, at a small Distance from which the Governor waited to receive him; and the Duke was pleased to take him into his Coach. On his Approach towards the Ramparts, his Royal Highness was saluted by three Rounds of twenty-four Cannon; and, on crossing the Parade, found the whole Garrison under Arms; and his Royal Highness lodging at the Consul's House, he found there a Guard of a Company of Grenadiers, which he ordered to be dismissed.

The Factory had the Honour to be presented; and he afterwards received the Governor, accompanied by all the Military and Civil Officers; and, in the Evening, the principal People of both Sexes were presented to him, and passed the Evening there.

The next Morning his Royal Highness visited the Port, the Mole, Lazaretto, &c. and was afterwards pleased to permit the Governor, some of the first People in the Town, and many of the Gentlemen of the Factory, to have the Honour to dine with him. In the Evening there was an Assembly at the Governor's.

The next Day his Royal Highness accepted of a Hunt in the Wood of St. Rosori, ten Miles from hence, (a Place always reserved for the Great Duke's own Hunting) where the Governor had prepared a most magnificent Entertainment under a large Tent. At the first Table there were Fifty Covers, and at another contiguous, Twenty more.

This Day after Dinner his Royal Highness sets out for Pisa; and proceeds from thence To-morrow after Dinner for Lucca; and the next Day his Royal Highness will return to Florence.

*Franckfort, April 10.* This Morning the Emperor, accompanied by the King of the Romans; and the Archduke, set out for Vienna. His Imperial Majesty was saluted at his Departure, by a Discharge of Two Hundred Cannon.

Soon after the Elector of Cologne embarked on Board his Yacht for Bonn. One Hundred and Twenty Five Pieces of Artillery, were fired on his sailing, and the same Number on the Departure of the Elector Palatine, who set out much about the same Time for Manheim.

*Bonn, April 12.* At Nine last Night, the Elector landed here from Franckfort. In his Passage on the Mayn and Rhine, his Electoral Highness was saluted by the Cannon of the Fortresses and Towns on those Rivers. His Arrival was announced by a Triple Dis-

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