

azure, three imperial crowns, one and two or, having in the centre, between the three crowns, the cyphers or letters *OG* surrounded with the circle and motto of the Order, and surmounted by an imperial crown.

Thirtieth.—It is ordained, that the King of Arms shall be nominated by Us, Our Heirs and Successors, and shall be denominated Bath King of Arms; that he shall sedulously attend the service of this Order, shall superintend the erection or removal of the plates of arms of the Knights Grand Cross and the plates of the Knights Commanders and Companions in the collegiate church of Saint Peter, at Westminster. And further it is ordained, that in all ceremonies of the Order, he shall be habited in a mantle like to that of the Genealogist of the Order, and wear around his neck, pendant to a gold chain, an escocheon of gold, enamelled on a field azure, three imperial crowns, one and two or, impaling the arms of the Sovereign, surrounded with the circle and motto of the Order, and surmounted by an imperial crown; that he shall carry the White Rod of this Order, which shall have on the two greater squares the arms of the Order, azure, three imperial crowns, one and two or, impaled with those of the Sovereign, and on the lesser squares the arms of the Order, the whole surmounted by an imperial crown; that at all coronations he shall precede the Knights Grand Cross, and shall carry and wear a crown, as our other Kings of Arms are accustomed to do, which chain, badge, rod, and crown shall all be of the same materials with those used and borne by Our Garter Principal King of Arms; and that in all other ceremonials and assemblies he shall have place and precedence among Our Kings of Arms, next to and immediately after Norroy King of Arms, and before the King of Arms of Our Most Distinguished Order of Saint Michael and Saint George.

Thirty-first.—It is ordained, that the Registrar shall be appointed by Us, Our Heirs and Successors, that he shall carefully record all proceedings connected with this Most Honorable Order, in a register to be appropriated for that purpose; that in all ceremonies of the Order he shall be habited in a mantle like unto that assigned to the King of Arms, and wear around his neck, pendant to a chain of gold, an escocheon, enamelled on a field azure, three imperial crowns, one and two or, having in the centre the representation of a book bound gules, the leaves thereof or, the whole surrounded with the circle and motto of the Order, and surmounted by an imperial crown.

Thirty-second.—It is ordained, that the Secretary shall be nominated by Us, Our Heirs and Successors; that he shall sedulously attend to the service of the Order, and shall, according to the directions of the Great Master, prepare all War-

rants and other Instruments to be passed under the seal of the Order, and engross the same; that he shall deliver, or cause to be delivered, a copy of these Statutes to every Knight Grand Cross and Knight Commander, at or immediately after his investiture, if he be invested, or with the Insignia and Warrant of Dispensation, if that ceremony be dispensed with; and shall likewise deliver, or cause to be delivered, a copy of these Statutes to every Companion of this Most Honorable Order, immediately after his nomination; that he shall summon the Knights Grand Cross to attend the Sovereign at all investitures of this Order; that it shall also be the duty of the Secretary to obtain from every person, nominated a Member of this Order, a written undertaking, covenant, or promise, respecting the return of insignia, and whereof the form is prescribed in the twenty-third article of these Statutes; that he shall immediately after the investiture of any Member of this Order, present to him, ready for execution, the aforesaid instrument, and shall require him to sign, and the Gentleman Usher or other Officer of this Order to attest the same, whensoever investiture takes place before the Sovereign. It shall further be the duty of the Secretary, when the period arrives for the fulfilment of the aforesaid undertaking, covenant, or promise, to use every exertion in enforcing compliance therewith, and having received the badges and other insignia of deceased, promoted, or degraded Members of this Order, he shall deposit the same with the Chamberlain of Our Household; further, it is ordained, that in all ceremonies of the Order, he shall be habited in a mantle like unto that assigned to the Registrar of this Order, and shall wear around his neck, pendant to a chain of gold, an escocheon of gold, enamelled on a field azure, three imperial crowns, one and two or, having in the centre two pens saltier-wise argent, the whole surrounded by the circle and motto of the Order, and surmounted by an imperial crown.

Thirty-third.—It is ordained, that the Gentleman Usher of the Scarlet Rod of this Most Honorable Order shall be appointed by Us, Our Heirs and Successors; that he shall have the custody of the door of the Chapter-room, and whensoever the Sovereign shall determine to degrade a Member of this Order, the said Gentleman Usher shall remove the escocheon or plate of such Knight or Companion; that he shall attest the instrument respecting the return of the insignia, more particularly referred to in these Statutes, when investiture takes place before the Sovereign; that in all ceremonies of the Order, he shall be habited in a mantle like unto that appointed for the Secretary, and wear around his neck, pendant to a chain of gold, an escocheon of gold, enamelled on a field azure, three imperial crowns, one and two or, surrounded with the circle and motto of the Order, and surmounted by an imperial crown; and that he shall carry the Scarlet Rod of this Order, having at the top an escrol, thereon the motto of the Order, surmounted by three imperial crowns, all gold.