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FRIDAY, APRIL 2, 1847.

At the Court at Buckingham-Palace, the 26th day of March 1847.

Chapter of the Most Noble Order of the Garter.

CHAPTER of this Most Noble Order having been summoned for this day, the Knights Companions hereafter named, in their mantles and collars, assembled in the Green Drawing-room, viz.-

His Royal Highness the Duke of Cambridge, the Duke of Wellington, the Marquess of Anglesey, the Marquess of Exeter, the Duke of Beaufort, the Marquess of Salisbury, Earl De Grey, and the Marquess Camden, attended by the following Officers, viz —
The Lord Bishop of Winchester, Prelate;

the Lord Bishop of Oxford, Chancellor; the Honourable and Reverend George Neville-Grenville, Dean of Windsor, Register; Sir Charles George Young, Knt. Garter Principal King of Arms; and Sir Augustus William James Clifford, Bart. Gentleman Usher of the Black Rod.

At half-past one o'clock the Knights Companions were called over by Garter, when (Her Majesty and His Royal Highness the Prince Albert having passed into the Throneroom) they proceeded with the Officers of the Order from the Green Drawing room into the Throne-room, the Register remaining at the door, not having been sworn.

The Sovereign being seated in Her chair of state, and His Royal Highness Prince Albert at the table on the right hand of Her Majes-

ty, the other Knights Companions took their respective places at the table; the Prelate standing on the right hand of the Sovereign, the Chancellor on the left hand, and Garter and Black Rod at the bottom of the table.

The Chancellor then signified to the Sovereign that the Honourable and Reverend George Neville-Grenville, Dean of Windsor, attended at the door, and humbly prayed to be admitted to take the oath of office as Register of this Most Noble Order, whereupon by Her Majesty's command, the Register, wearing his mantle, was introduced be-tween Garter and Black Rod, the former carrying on a velvet cushion the gold chain and badge. The Register kneeling on the left hand of the Sovereign, and holding in his hand the Holy Gospels, the oath was administered to him by the Chancellor; the Register was then invested by the Sovereign with the gold chain and badge, and, having had the honour to kiss Her Majesty's hand, retired to his place at the bottom of the table.

The Chancellor then signified to the Chapter Her Majesty's royal will and pleasure, that the vacant stall in the Royal Chapel of Saint George, at Windsor, be filled; and, as by the statutes none but a Knight can be elected, the Most Noble Francis Duke of Bedford was introduced by Garter and Black Rod, and knighted by Her Majesty with the sword of state; and his Grace, having kissed the Sovereign's hand, retired.

The Knights Companions then proceeded to the election, and the suffrages, having been collected by the Chancellor, were by him presented to the Sovereign, who commanded him to declare, and he accordingly did declare, that the Most Noble Francis Duke of Bedford had been duly elected a Knight of the Most Noble Order of the Garter.

Then, by the Sovereign's command, his Grace was received at the door of the Chapter-room by Earl de Grey and the Marquess Camden, the two Junior Knights Companions present, and conducted between them to Her Majesty, preceded by Garter (bearing the ensigns of the Order upon a crimson velvet cushion), and by Black Rod. The Duke of Bedford, kneeling near the Sovereign, Garter, Bedford, kneeling near the Sovereign, Garter, on his knee, presented the garter, and Her Majesty, assisted by His Royal Highness Prince Albert and his Royal Highness the Duke of Cambridge, the two senior Knights Companions present, buckled it on his Grace's left leg, the Chancellor pronouncing the usual admention

Garter next presented, in like manner, the ribband and George, and Her Majesty, assisted as before, put the same over his Grace's left shoulder, the Chancellor pronouncing the admonition. The Duke then again kissed Her Majesty's hand, and, having received the congratulations of each of the Knights Companions, retired.

The Chapter being ended, Garter, by Her Majesty's command, again called over the