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St. James's, December 26.

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, a Procession was made from thence to the Great Council-Chamber in the following Order:

Marquis of Rockingham,
 Earl of Northumberland,
 Earl of Cardigan,
 Earl of Winchelsea and Nottingham,
 Duke of Rutland,
 Duke of Newcastle,
 His Royal Highness the Duke of Gloucester;
 His Royal Highness the Duke of York,
 Garter King of Arms,
 The Prelate,

The SOVEREIGN.

The Sovereign and Knights Companions being seated, Garter acquainted His Majesty, that Sir Francis Molineux attended at the Door, and humbly prayed Admittance to take the Oath of Office, as Gentleman Usher of the Black Rod of that most Noble Order; who, being in his Mantle, was conducted to the Sovereign by Garter, carrying the Ensigns of Black Rod's Office; and, kneeling down, the Oath was administered to him by the Prelate: Garter then presenting the Chain with the Badge to the Sovereign, and afterwards the Rod, His Majesty was pleased to put the Chain about Black Rod's Neck, and to deliver him the Rod; and having kissed His Majesty's Hand, he withdrew to his Place.

Garter then acquainted the Sovereign, that the Dean of Windsor attended at the Door, and humbly prayed Admittance to be sworn as Register; whereupon being brought in by Garter and Black Rod, he was sworn, and invested with the Ensigns of the Register's Office in like Manner.

The Register then signified to the Chapter the Sovereign's Pleasure for filling up the three vacant Stalls; and as by the Statutes none but a Knight can be elected, his Royal Highness the Prince of Wales was knighted by His Majesty with the Sword of State. The Chapter then proceeding to the Election, his Royal Highness was declared duly elected. Garter then presenting the Garter to the Sovereign, His Majesty delivered it to the two senior Knights, who buckled it on the Prince's Left Leg, the Register reading the Admonition: Garter then presented the Ribbon with the George; and the Prince kneeling down, His Majesty, with the Assistance of the Knights, put it over his Shoulder, the Register pronouncing the Admonition.

The Chapter then proceeded to the next Election; and his Serene Highness the Hereditary Prince of Brunswick was declared duly elected: His Highness was thereupon received at the Door of the Chapter Room, by the two junior Knights; and conducted between them to the Sovereign, being preceded by Garter, carrying the Ensigns on a Cushion, and Black Rod; and his Serene Highness was invested with the Garter, Ribbon and George, in the same Manner as the Prince of Wales.

The Earl of Albemarle was then brought in by Garter and Black Rod, and knighted with the Sword of State; being afterwards elected, and invested with the Ensigns of the Order, as the Princes had been.

Garter then calling over the Knights, a Procession was made back in the Order as before, except that the Register went next before the Prelate, between Garter on his Right Hand and Black Rod on his Left.

St. James's, December 27.

This Day His Majesty was pleased to fill up another of the vacant Stalls of the most Honourable Military Order of the Bath.

The Sovereign having put on the Ribbon with the Symbol of the Order hanging to it, Mr. Hill, the Gentleman Usher, bearing the Scarlet Rod, and habited in the Mantle of the Order, introduced William Draper, Esq; a Gentleman Usher daily Waiter carrying the Sword of State, which was delivered to the Sovereign by the Earl Delawar, a Knight of the Order; Mr. Draper kneeling was knighted with the Sword of State: Then the Earl Delawar having received the Ribbon, with the Badge of the Order, from Mr. Whitehead the Register, (in the Absence of Mr. Hersey, Bath King of Arms) presented the same to the Sovereign, who put the Ribbon over the new-made Knight's Right Shoulder; then he had the Honour of kissing His Majesty's Hand; which done, he rose up and retired.

The Ceremony was performed after the Levee, in His Majesty's Closet, several Great Officers of the Court being present.

Constantinople, November 16. The Captain Pasha, returned lately with his Fleet into this Port, brought in Prisoners the Crew of a Felucca, who have for some Time past exercised their Piracies in these Seas. Their Commander, named Stavicanò, a Cardiot by Birth, and one of the Ringleaders in the Scheme for carrying off the Turkish Capitana some Years ago, was hanged on the 4th Instant, and the Rest of the Crew, most of them Mainots, condemned to the Gallies.

Naples,

