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**Copenhagen, September 6.**  
**T**HE East-India Company's Sale, which was fixed for the 14th, is postponed to the 21st Instant.

**Dresden, September 7.** The Military Order, just instituted here, is not, as was first designed by the Administrator, the Restoration of the Order of St. Henry, but a new Distinction of the same Order in his own Name. The Ceremony in Fact of this new Institution was performed on Sunday last by his Royal Highness, who created Twenty-six Knights in the following Manner: The whole Electoral Family, excepting the young Princes and Princesses, Brothers and Sisters to the Elector, having been invited to appear at Pillnitz in Gala, the Administrator, in the private Apartment, first decorated his Brother Prince Charles, and the Marshal Chevalier de Saxe, with the Ensigns of the Great Cross. He then created Baron D'Ende, Chancellor; M. Heynitz, Treasurer; and M. Just, Secretary of the Order. After this, the Administrator, preceded by the Great Officers of the Court, and the Colonel of the Horse and Foot Guards, walked in Procession into a spacious Hall, where a Throne had been prepared on a Platform, ascended by three Steps, and surrounded by the Guards, and the Corps of the Gentlemen Cadets. He seated himself on the Throne with his Hat on, having his Brother Prince Charles on his Right, and Marshal Chevalier de Saxe on his Left, both seated on Chairs at the Foot of the Throne. Baron D'Ende stood to the Right on the first Step, and the Treasurer and Secretary were to the Left, standing on the Floor; the first holding the Seals, the second the Crosses and Ribbands, and the third the Statutes of the Order. The Chancellor began the Ceremony by a short Discourse, setting forth the Motives that had induced the Prince Administrator to institute this Order: He said, "That his Royal Highness having had in the late War, when he commanded the Saxon Troops, an Opportunity of observing the Valour and Merit of his Officers, was glad to give them a public Testimony of his Approbation; that having, with incessant La-

bour, established a respectable Army in Saxony, after accomplishing so necessary a Measure for the Preservation of the Country, he embraced the earliest Opportunity of Instituting a new Military Order, (of which his Nephew the Elector was Grand Master) whereby he might reward the Military Merit of some, whose Valour he had been Witness to, and the indefatigable Zeal of others, who had assisted him in surmounting the Obstacles he had met with in augmenting the Army, and finding Funds for it's Maintenance; that, at the same Time, this Order, with the Pensions annexed to it, was intended as an Incentive to Emulation in Military Men, who might certainly promise themselves those distinguishing Marks, according as they should merit them; by excelling in Knowledge and spirited Behaviour in their Profession."

After this Discourse, the Secretary read the List of those who were to be decorated that Day with the Order of Knighthood: Then he pronounced the Statutes, to the Observance of which each Knight swore by the Bible, which for that Purpose lay on a Velvet Cushion before the Administrator; who, after giving him three light Strokes of his Sword on the Shoulder, presented him with the Cross, and dismissed him with an Embrace.

The Cross is octangular, enamelled in White, and nearly resembling that of Malta, with a Scutcheon in the Middle. On one Side is seen St. Henry in his Imperial Robes, and round his Name the following Inscription: *Haverius Princeps Pol. Dux et Administrator Sax. instituit 1768.* On the Reverse are the Swords of Saxony, incircled with a Laurel Wreath, and the following Motto: *Virtuti in Bello.* The Knights wear the Cross tied to their Button-hole with an Azure Ribband, edged Yellow. The Commandeurs wear it fastened to a large Ribband of the same Colour, thrown over the Left Shoulder, and falling to the Right. The Ribbands of the great Crosses are still larger, hanging in the same Manner over the Shoulder; and those Dignitaries have besides an octangular Gold Star embroidered on the Left Breast, with the Reverse

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