

Bed-chamber in Waiting: Which Address His Majesty was pleased to receive very graciously.

To the KING's Most Excellent Majesty.

WE, your Majesty's most dutiful Subjects, the Bailiff and Burgeſſes of the loyal and antient Borough of Buckingham, beg Leave, with all Humility, to offer to your Majesty every Assurance which can best expreſs our Alarm at the imminent Danger to which your Sacred Perſon has been ſo lately expoſed, and our ſincere Gratitude to that Providence to which we owe its Preſervation.

Theſe Reflections, and our earneſt Prayers for the Continuance of your Majesty's Reign, are ſuggeſted by our Senſe of the Bleſſings which we enjoy, ſecured to us by your Royal Virtues, and by that ſteady Attachment to our Constitutional Liberties which has eſtabliſhed your Majesty's Throne in the Hearts of a grateful and affectionate People.

St. James's, Auguſt 18.

The King was this Day pleaſed to confer the Honour of Knighthood on

William Hillman, Eſq; Mayor of the City of Wincheſter:

Alexander Hamilton, Eſq; Sheriff of the County of Devon; and

Stephen Naſh, Eſq; Sheriff of the City of Briſtol.

Whitehall, Auguſt 19.

The King has been pleaſed to grant to George Lucas, of Ancaſter in the County of Lincoln, Eſq; and his Iſſue, His Royal Licence and Authority to aſſume and take the Surname, and bear the Arms of Calcraft, purſuant to the Will of his Uncle John Calcraft, late of Ingreſs in the County of Kent, Eſq; deceaſed, ſuch Arms being firſt duly exemplified according to the Laws of Arms, and recorded in the Heralds Office; and alſo to order that this His Majesty's Conceſſion and Declaration be regiſtered in the College of Arms.

Caſſel, Auguſt 8.

The King of Great Britain, Sovereign of the Moſt Noble Order of the Garter, having been pleaſed to appoint the Lord Viſcount Dalrymple, His Majesty's Envoy Extraordinary and Miniſter Plenipotentiary to the Court of Berlin, and Sir Iſaac Heard, Knight, Garter Principal King of Arms, Plenipotentiaries for inveſting His Serene Highneſs the Landgrave of Heſſe-Caſſel with the Habit and Enſigns of the Moſt Noble Order of the Garter, they met here the Fifth Inſtant. The next Morning they had an Audience of the Landgrave, in his Palace at Weiſſenſtein, where they preſented their Credentials and the Book of the Statutes; and His Serene Highneſs declaring his Acceptance of the Order, under the uſual Reſervations as a Prince of the Empire, the Plenipotentiaries immediately inveſted him with the Garter, Ribbon and George, Garter King of Arms pronouncing the uſual Admonition in Latin, and afterwards delivered the Stars and Ribbon.

Monday the 7th Inſtant being appointed by His Serene Highneſs for the public Inveſtiture, the Plenipotentiaries were conducted to the Palace of Caſſel, with the accuſtomed Ceremonies, by Baron de Wittorff, Miniſter of State and Grand Chamberlain, and paſſed through the Audience Chamber to the Gallery, where the Enſigns were laid upon a Table. Soon after His Serene Highneſs came in, and the Plenipotentiaries taking off his Ribbon with the George, and his Coat, they put on the Surcoat and Sword of the Order, Garter taking His Highneſs's Sword, as his Fee, and wearing it, according to Cuſtom, during the Reſt of the Ceremony.

The Habit and Enſigns were then delivered to the Perſons appointed to carry them, and a Proceſſion was made to the Audience Chamber, where two States were placed, one for the Sovereign, and the other on the Left for the Landgrave, with a Chair on either Side for the two Plenipotentiaries, and a Table near the Sovereign's State to lay the Habit and Enſigns upon.

The Order of the Proceſſion was as follows:

The Book of Statutes, on a Velvet Cuſhion, borne by the Chamberlain de Wintzingeroda.

The Cap and Feather, on a Velvet Cuſhion, borne by the Chamberlain de Stockhaufen.

The Collar and George, on a Velvet Cuſhion, borne by the Lord Viſcount Barnard, Son and Heir Apparent of Henry Earl of Darlington.

Francis Townſend, Eſq; Windſor Herald, in His Majesty's Coat of Arms, bearing the Commiſſion on a Velvet Cuſhion.

Sir Iſaac Heard, Knight, Garter Principal King of Arms, One of the Plenipotentiaries, in his Mantle of the Order.

The Lord Viſcount Dalrymple, firſt Plenipotentiary.

His Serene Highneſs the Landgrave, ſupported by Baron de Wittorff, Miniſter of State and Grand Chamberlain, and Baron de Boynebourg, Grand Maſhal of the Court.

Coming into the Audience Chamber, the Proceſſion advanced, with Three Reverences, to the Sovereign's State, and the Enſigns were laid upon the Table, the Landgrave and Plenipotentiaries taking their Seats, and all others going to their reſpective Stations. After a ſhort Pauſe, the firſt Plenipotentiary roſe up, and addreſſed His Highneſs in a Latin Oration, which was answered, by the Landgrave's Command, by Monſieur de Burgel, Miniſter of State, Preſident of the Court of Appeals, and of the Chamber of Finance; all Perſons ſtanding.

Then Garter delivering the Commiſſion to the firſt Plenipotentiary, he preſented it to the Landgrave, who gave it to Monſieur de Burgel to read; which having done, he returned it to His Serene Highneſs, who delivered it to Garter.

After a Pauſe, Garter, with the uſual Reverences, ſummoned His Serene Highneſs from his Chair of State, and the firſt Plenipotentiary advancing, His Serene Highneſs having been inveſted with the Mantle of the Order, Garter pronounced the Admonition. The Hood alſo having been put on, they inveſted him with the Collar, Garter pronouncing the Admonition. They then preſented the Book of the Statutes to His Serene Highneſs, who delivered to the Plenipotentiaries a Certificate of his Reception of the Order, and Nomination of a Proxy.

Laſtly they placed the Cap and Feather upon His Serene Highneſs's Head, who, making a Reverence to the Sovereign's State, ſat down in his own, and the Plenipotentiaries in their Places.

His Serene Highneſs was then congratulated by the Plenipotentiaries, the Great Officers of State, and all preſent; and the Proceſſion returned in the ſame Order as it came, His Highneſs's Train borne by Two Gentlemen of the Chamber, Monſieur de Gilſe, and Monſieur de Hanſtein.

A ſplendid Banquet was prepared in the Great Hall, where the Plenipotentiaries ſat on either Side the Landgrave. At the Entrance of the Second Courſe, Garter proclaimed the Sovereign's Stile, and then the Landgrave's. His Serene Highneſs drank the Health of the Sovereign, the Queen and Royal Family, and the Knights Companions of the Order. The Plenipotentiaries then drank the Health of the Landgrave, and Proſperity to the Illuſtrious Houſe of Heſſe-Caſſel. There was a Second Table in a Hall adjoining, where martial