

Offering into the Bason: then rising, made his Reverence to the Altar; and, retiring, another in the Middle of the Choir (all the Attendants turning as His MAJESTY did, and making their Reverences at the same Time); and, being in his Stall, another. The Knight, who delivered the Offering, retired under his Banner, when the Procession came opposite to the same.

During the SOVEREIGN's Return, the Officers of the Wardrobe removed the Carpet and Cushion whereon His MAJESTY had kneeled; leaving the first Carpet and placing Two Cushions for the Knights; and Deputy Black Rod returned to his Place.

All the Knights standing under their Banners, Norroy King of Arms and the Senior Herald joined with usual Reverences, and went to His Royal Highness the Prince of Wales; who, in the Middle of the Choir, making his double Reverence, was conducted to the Altar; where, taking off his Cap, and, making another Reverence, he knelt, and offered Gold and Silver in the Bason; and, returning in the same Order, went into his Stall; where, making his Reverence, he sat down.

Then the next Knights in Seniority (those of the Blood Royal being attended by Norroy and the Senior Herald, and the other Knights by Two Heralds in Rotation,) offered in like Manner, and so on till all the Knights and the Proxy had offered; whereupon they ascended into their Stalls.

Divine Service proceeded: and, being ended, Deputy Garter summoned the Knights under their Banners, Juniors first; which done, the Poor Knights joined, made their Reverences, and went out of the Choir; then the Prebends; the Officers of Arms; the Knights; the Officers of the Order. The Lord Chamberlain, and the Sword of State, preceded the SOVEREIGN as before. The Procession moved to the great West Door of the Chapel, up the South Aisle, and, out at the South Door, to the Upper Castle. But the Proxy went in the Procession no farther than the South Door; where the Mantle of his Principal was delivered to the Sexton.

The Drums and Trumpets continued in the Procession until the Return to the King's Guard Chamber. The Poor Knights, and Prebends, filed off on either Side in the Guard Chamber. The Officers of Arms, and the Four Serjeants at Arms, in the Presence Chamber. The Knights Companions divided on either Side in the Royal Apartment. The SOVEREIGN, having the Officers of the Order before him, went under the State; where he saluted the Knights by pulling off his Cap; and then retired till Dinner Time.

When the first Service was placed on the Tables of the SOVEREIGN and Knights; a Procession was made to Saint George's Hall, in the following Order:

The Officers of Arms—The Knights, in their Order—The Officers of the Order—The Lord Chamberlain—The Sword of State—The SOVEREIGN.

The Officers of Arms divided at the Lower End of the Hall; the Knights above them in a Line according to their Seniority (the Senior nearest to the State,) taking off their Caps and Feathers as the SOVEREIGN passed. The Officers of the Order

proceeded before the SOVEREIGN to the Haut-Pas, and then went behind the Knights.

The SOVEREIGN being under his State, saluted the Knights; and the Princes of the Blood Royal ascended the Haut-Pas, and stood at the Ends of the Table; the Prince of Wales on His MAJESTY's Right Hand, and the other Princes of the Blood according to their Rank.

Grace being said by the Prelate, the SOVEREIGN sat down; and the Knights put on their Caps; and were conducted by the Officers of Arms to their Places at the Table. The Proxy took his Place below the Junior Knight.

A Table was placed at the lower End of the Hall for the Officers of the Order.

Towards the latter End of the First Course, a large gilt Cup being brought to the SOVEREIGN by the Earl of Uxbridge, acting as Cup-Bearer, His MAJESTY commanded Garter to signify to the Knights that he drank to them, who thereupon standing up uncovered, altogether pledged the SOVEREIGN; during which Time, the Trumpets sounded, and there was a Discharge of Cannon. The Knights then sat down, and put on their Caps.

The Second Course was then brought to the SOVEREIGN's Table with the usual Ceremony, preceded by the Lord Steward, and by several Officers of His Majesty's Household; and to the Table of the Knights, by the Yeomen of the Guard.

Immediately after, Garter, attended by all the Officers of Arms, advanced from the lower End of the Hall, with the usual Reverences, to the Haut-Pas; and he ascending the lowest Step, and crying "*Largeffe*," Thrice, proclaimed the SOVEREIGN's Style in Latin, French, and English.

The Officers of Arms then retired backwards, with the usual Reverences. Garter, and the Officers of Arms, then cried "*Largeffe*" Thrice.

Then Garter bowed to the Duke of Rutland, who standing up uncovered, Garter, with One "*Largeffe*," proclaimed His Grace's Style in English. Garter and the Officers of Arms then cried "*Largeffe*" once.

In like Manner, Garter proclaimed the Styles of the Earl of Hardwicke, the Duke of Beaufort, the Marquis of Abercorn, the Earl of Pembroke, the Earl of Winchilsea, and the Earl of Chesterfield.

The Banquet was afterwards brought up to the Tables of the SOVEREIGN and Knights with the same Ceremony as the second Course.

Their Royal Highnesses the Princes of the Blood were each attended during the Dinner by a Knight of the Most Honorable Order of the Bath, in the Collar of that Order.

Dinner being ended, the Knights placed themselves in a Line as before Dinner; and Grace being said by the Prelate, and the SOVEREIGN having washed, the Knights altogether made their Reverences to His MAJESTY, who put off his Cap and saluted them.

Then the Knights and Officers returned to the Presence Chamber before the SOVEREIGN, in the same Order in which they came from thence.

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NOTICE is hereby given, that there will be a Drawing-Room at St. James's on Thursday next, the 2d of May.

