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AT the Court at the *Queen's Palace*, the 16th of March 1808,

P R E S E N T,

The KING's Most Excellent Majesty in Council.

THIS Day the Right Honourable Percy Clinton Sydney Viscount Strangford was, by His Majesty's Command, sworn of His Majesty's Most Honourable Privy Council, and took his place at the Board accordingly.

His Majesty having been pleased to appoint the Right Honourable Edward Earl of Digby to be Lord Lieutenant of the County of Dorset, and the Town of Poole, and County of the said Town. His Lordship this Day took the Oaths appointed to be taken thereupon, instead of the Oaths of Allegiance and Supremacy.

His Majesty in Council was this Day pleased to appoint Wilbraham Egerton, of Tatton Park, Esq; to be Sheriff of the County of Chester, in the Room of Robert Bamford, of Upton, Esq.

*Queen's Palace, March 16, 1808.*

This Day His Majesty was pleased to invest the Right Honourable George Earl of Aberdeen with the Ensigns of the Most Ancient and Most Noble Order of the Thistle.

The Sovereign having signed the several Instruments for that Purpose, which were, previously to the Ceremony, presented to His Majesty by Robert Quarre, Esq; Gentleman Usher of the Green Rod, (in the Absence of the Secretary) the Earl of Aberdeen was called into the Royal Presence, being preceded by His Royal Highness the Duke of Clarence, one of the Knights Brethren of the Order, and supported by the Duke of Montrose and Earl Poulett, the Two Senior Knights present, one of His Majesty's Gentlemen Ushers (in Place of the Usher of the Green Rod) carrying the Sword of State. Upon entering into the Royal Presence, with the usual Reverences, the Earl was presented by the said Two Senior Knights, and, kneeling down, his Lordship was knighted by the Sovereign

with the Sword of State; the Earl, having kissed His Majesty's Hand, rose up, when the Gentleman Usher of the Green Rod administered the Oath to his Lordship; then Green Rod, kneeling, presented the Ensigns of the Order upon a Crimson Velvet Cushion to the Sovereign, who put the Ribbon over the Earl's Left Shoulder; and his Lordship, having again had the Honour of kissing His Majesty's Hand, withdrew, with the usual Reverences, in the same Manner in which he had entered.

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

*Queen's-Palace, March 16, 1808.*

CEREMONIAL of the *Knighthood and Investiture of the Right Honourable Percy Viscount Strangford, Knight of the Most Honourable Order of the Bath.*

The Knights and Officers of the Order attending in their Mantles, Collars, &c. proceeded into the Sovereign's Presence, making the usual Reverences, in the following Order:

The Gentleman Usher of the Order, in his Mantle, Chain, and Badge, bearing the Red Rod.

The Deputy Register and Secretary of the Order, in the Mantle, Chains, and Badges of those Officers.

Deputy Bath King of Arms, in the Mantle, Chain, and Badge, with the Sceptre of Bath, bearing the Ribbon and Badge of the Order upon a Crimson Velvet Cushion.

The Genealogist, in his Mantle, Chain, and Badge.

KNIGHTS COMPANIONS,

Sir David Dundas.

Sir Thomas Trigge.

Sir Alured Clarke.

Lord Keith.

Lord Henley.

Lord De Blaquiere.

The Dean of Westminster, Dean of the Order, in his Mantle, Chain, and Badge.