

mand, sworn of His Majesty's Most Honourable Privy Council, and took his place at the Board accordingly.

Westminster, February 23, 1821.

THIS day, the Lords being met, a message was sent to the Honourable House of Commons by the Gentleman Usher of the Black Rod, acquainting them, that *The Lords, authorised by virtue of a Commission under the Great Seal, signed by His Majesty, for declaring His Royal Assent to several Acts agreed upon by both Houses, do desire the immediate attendance of the Honourable House in the House of Peers to hear the Commission read; and the Commons being come thither, the said Commission, empowering the Lord Archbishop of Canterbury, the Lord High Chancellor of Great Britain, and several other Lords therein named, to declare and notify the Royal Assent to the said Acts, was read accordingly, and the Royal Assent given to*

An Act for enabling His Majesty to make provision for Her Majesty the Queen.

An Act for continuing to His Majesty certain duties on malt, sugar, tobacco, and snuff, foreign spirits and sweets in Great Britain, and on pensions, offices, and personal estates in England, for the service of the year one thousand eight hundred and twenty-one.

An Act for applying certain monies therein mentioned for the service of the year one thousand eight hundred and twenty-one.

An Act to amend an Act, of the fifty-eighth year of His late Majesty, for more effectually discovering the longitude at Sea, and encouraging attempts to find a northern passage between the Atlantic and Pacific Oceans, and to approach the Northern Pole.

An Act to continue term and alter and enlarge the powers of several Acts passed for repairing the road from the town of Tadcaster to the town of Otley, in the county of York.

Carlton-House, February 23, 1821.

This day His Excellency the Count de Lieven, Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary from the Emperor of All the Russias; His Excellency the Duke de Frias and Uceda, Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary from the King of the Spains; and Baron Just, Envoy Extraordinary and Minister Plenipotentiary from the King of Saxony, had audiences respectively of His Majesty, to deliver letters from their Sovereigns; to which they were severally introduced by Lord Viscount Castlereagh, His Majesty's Principal Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, and conducted by Sir Robert Chester, Knt. Master of the Ceremonies.

Carlton-House, February 23, 1821.

CEREMONIAL of the Knighthood and Investiture of General Sir Robert Brownrigg, and of the

Investiture of Vice-Admiral Sir George Martin, with the Ensigns of Knights Grand Crosses of the Most Honourable Military Order of the Bath.

THE Knights Grand Crosses, attending in their mantles and collars, and the Officers of the Order, in their mantles, chains, and badges, proceeded this day, after the Levee, into the presence of the Sovereign, with the usual reverences, in the following order:

The Gentleman Usher of the Order, bearing the scarlet rod.

Deputy Bath King of Arms, bearing the ribbands, badges, and stars of the Order, upon a crimson velvet cushion.

The Genealogist.

KNIGHTS GRAND CROSSES.

Sir George Beckwith.

Sir Richard J. Strachan.

Duke of Wellington.

Sir Alured Clarke.

Sir John Borlase Warren.

Lord Henley.

The Dean of Westminster, Dean of the Order.

His Royal Highness the Duke of York, First and Principal Knight Grand Cross of the Order.

Then, by the command of the Sovereign, General Sir Robert Brownrigg (late Commander in Chief of the British Settlements in the Island of Ceylon, and who had, on 2d January 1815, been nominated a Knight Grand Cross of the Order), was introduced into the Presence between Sir Richard Strachan and Sir George Beckwith, the two Junior Knights Grand Crosses present, preceded by the Gentleman Usher of the Order.

The sword of state being delivered to His Majesty by Lord Henley, the Second Knight Grand Cross present, Sir Robert Brownrigg, kneeling, was knighted therewith. Deputy Bath then presenting the ribband and badge to the Duke of York, the Senior Knight Grand Cross, His Royal Highness delivered the same to the Sovereign; and, Sir Robert Brownrigg still kneeling, His Majesty was graciously pleased to put the same over the new Knight's right shoulder; who, being thus invested, and, having kissed His Majesty's hand, and received from him the star of the Order, withdrew.

Then, by the Sovereign's command, Vice-Admiral Sir George Martin was introduced in like manner, and invested by His Majesty with the ensigns of a Knight Grand Cross of the Order.

The Knights Grand Crosses were thereupon called over, and the procession returned in the order above mentioned.

Carlton-House, February 23, 1821.

The King was this day pleased to confer the honour of Knighthood upon Alexander Wood, Esq. Knight Commander of the Most distinguished Order of St. Michael and St. George of the Ionian Islands.