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St. James's, May 13, 1829.

A CHAPTER of the Most Noble Order of the Garter having been summoned for this day, the following Knights Companions, in their mantles and collars, assembled in the Entrée-room, viz.

His Royal Highness the Duke of Cumberland, the Earl of Westmorland, the Marquess Camden, the Earl of Hardwicke, the Duke of Beaufort, the Earl of Lonsdale, the Marquess Wellesley, the Duke of Wellington, the Earl Bathurst, the Marquess of Anglesey, the Marquess of Bath, the Duke of Dorset, the Duke of Leeds, the Duke of Devonshire, and the Marquess of Exeter, attended by the Officers of the Order, viz. the Lord Bishop of Winchester, Prelate of the Order; the Lord Bishop of Salisbury, Chancellor of the Order; the Honourable and Reverend the Dean of Windsor, Register of the Order; Sir George Nayler, Knight, Garter Principal King of Arms; and Sir Thomas Tyrwhitt, Knight, Gentleman Usher of the Black Rod.

At three o'clock, the Knights Companions were called over by Garter, and, with the Officers of the Order, proceeded into the presence of the Sovereign, in the Throne-room; the Prelate and the Chancellor going no further than the door, their Lordships not having been sworn.

The Sovereign and Knights Companions being seated, the Register acquainted the Sovereign, that the Right Reverend Dr. Thomas Burgess, Lord Bishop of Salisbury, attended at the door, and humbly prayed to be admitted to take the oath as Chancellor of this Most Noble Order; whereupon his Lordship, in his mantle over his episcopal habit, was conducted to the Sovereign, between Garter and Black Rod, Garter carrying, upon a crimson velvet cushion, the purse, gold chain, and badge. The Bishop kneeling near the Sovereign, the oath was administered to him by the Register, Garter holding the Gospels. His Lordship being then invested by the Sovereign with the gold chain and badge, the purse was deli-

vered to him by His Majesty, and his Lordship, having had the honour to kiss His Majesty's hand, withdrew to his place, on the left hand of the Sovereign.

The Chancellor then acquainted the Sovereign, that the Right Reverend Dr. Charles-Richard Sumner, Lord Bishop of Winchester, attended at the door, and humbly besought His Majesty that he might be admitted to take the oath as Prelate of this Most Noble Order; whereupon his Lordship, in his mantle over his episcopal habit, and wearing his chain and badge (with which his Lordship had been previously invested by His Majesty) being, by the Sovereign's command, introduced between Garter and Black Rod, was conducted to His Majesty, and kneeling; the oath of office was administered to him by the Register, Garter holding the book. The Prelate, having had the honour to kiss the Sovereign's hand, retired to his place, on the right hand of His Majesty.

The Chancellor then signified to the Chapter the Sovereign's royal will and pleasure, that one of the vacant stalls in the Royal Chapel of St. George, at Windsor, be filled; and as by the statutes none but a Knight can be elected, His Grace Charles Duke of Richmond was introduced, and knighted by His Majesty with the Sword of State, and His Grace, having kissed the Sovereign's hand, retired.

The Knights Companions then proceeded to the election, and the suffrages having been collected by the Chancellor, were by his Lordship presented to the Sovereign, who was pleased to command him to declare, and he accordingly declared, that the Most Noble Charles Duke of Richmond had been duly elected a Knight Companion of the Most Noble Order of the Garter.

Then, by the Sovereign's command, His Grace was received at the door of the Throne-room by the Duke of Devonshire and the Marquess of Exeter, the two Junior Knights Companions, and conducted between them to His Majesty, preceded by Garter (bearing the ensigns of the Order upon a