

the two Senior Knights Companions, preceded by Garter (bearing the ensigns of the Order upon a crimson velvet cushion), and by Black Rod.

Upon entering the Chapter-room, His Serene Highness was received by the Sovereign, and the Knights Companions standing, and was placed in a chair of state on the right hand of the Sovereign.

Garter thereupon, upon his knee, presenting the Garter to the Sovereign, His Majesty, assisted by their Royal Highnesses the Dukes of Cumberland and Sussex, buckled it on the left leg of His Serene Highness, the Prelate pronouncing the usual admonition.

Garter, in like manner, next presented the ribband with the George, and the Sovereign, assisted as before, put the same over the shoulder of the Duke of Saxe-Meiningen, the Prelate pronouncing the usual admonition.

The Sovereign, thereupon, gave the accolade to His Serene Highness, who also received the congratulations of each of the Knights Companions present.

The Chapter being ended, the Knights Companions were again called over by Garter, and, with the Officers of the Order, withdrew from the presence of the Sovereign, with the usual reverences.

Her Majesty the Queen, their Royal Highnesses the Princesses, their Royal Highnesses the Duchesses of Gloucester, Cumberland, and Cambridge, their Royal Highnesses Prince George of Cumberland and Prince George of Cambridge, Her Serene Highness the Duchess of Saxe-Weimar, the Great Officers of State, the Officers of the Royal Household, and many persons of distinction, were present at this august ceremony.

In the evening a dinner of state was given by the Sovereign, in St. George's-hall, at which the above-named Royal, noble, and distinguished personages were present, with the Officers of the Order.

During the banquet the Sovereign was pleased to drink to the health of His illustrious Visitor, His Serene Highness Bernard, Reigning Duke of Saxe-Meiningen, Knight of the Most Noble Order of the Garter; and afterwards to that of Her Serene Highness the Duchess of Saxe-Meiningen.

Their Majesties shortly after proceeded to the Drawing-room, where they were received by a party of Nobility and Gentry specially invited on this occasion.

*At the Court at Windsor-Castle, August 20, 1831.*

The King, as Sovereign of the Most Noble Order of the Garter, hath been graciously pleased, by letters patent under His royal sign manual and the great seal of the Order, bearing date this day, to dispense with all the statutes and regulations usually observed in regard to installation, and to grant unto His Serene Highness Bernard, Reigning Duke of Saxe-Meiningen (Brother of Her Most Excellent Majesty the Queen), Knight of the said Most Noble Order, and duly invested with the ensigns thereof, full power and authority to exercise all rights and privileges belonging to a Knight Companion of the Most Noble Order of the Garter, in as full and ample a manner as if His Serene Highness had been formally installed, any decree, rule, or usage to the contrary notwithstanding.

*War-Office, 23d August 1831.*

6th Regiment of Dragoons, Lieutenant Frederick Wollaston to be Captain, by purchase, vice Berkeley, who retires. Dated 23d August 1831.

Cornet William FitzHerbert to be Lieutenant, by purchase, vice Wollaston. Dated 23d August 1831.

Francis Edward Winnington Ingram, Gent. to be Cornet, by purchase, vice FitzHerbert. Dated 23d August 1831.

2d Regiment of Foot, Hugh Halkett, Gent. to be Ensign, by purchase, vice Hall, whose appointment has been cancelled. Dated 23d August 1831.

36th Foot, Lieutenant Charles Trollope to be Captain, by purchase, vice Smith, who retires. Dated 23d August 1831.

Ensign Arthur Trollope to be Lieutenant, by purchase, vice Charles Trollope. Dated 23d August 1831.

Robert Gibson, Gent. to be Ensign, by purchase, vice Arthur Trollope. Dated 23d August 1831.

59th Foot, Captain T. H. Pearson, from the half-pay, to be Captain, vice Edward Duncan, who exchanges, receiving the difference. Dated 23d August 1831.

83d Foot, Ensign James Goodrich to be Lieutenant, by purchase, vice De Visme, who retires. Dated 23d August 1831.

John Taubman James, Gent. to be Ensign, by purchase, vice Goodrich. Dated 23d August 1831.

86th Foot, Ensign William Semple to be Lieutenant, without purchase, vice Grant, deceased. Dated 6th August 1831.

Gentleman Cadet Christopher M. Wilson, from the Royal Military College, to be Ensign, vice Semple. Dated 23d August 1831.

94th Foot, Captain Charles Gascoyne to be Major, by purchase, vice Munro, who retires. Dated 23d August 1831.

Lieutenant Frederick Randolph Blake to be Captain, by purchase, vice Gascoyne. Dated 23d August 1831.

Ensign Robert McCleverty to be Lieutenant, by purchase, vice Blake. Dated 23d August 1831.

#### UNATTACHED.

*To be Captain, without purchase.*

Lieutenant Robert Wormwoud Cooke, from the Royal Newfoundland Veteran Companies. Dated 23d August 1831.

#### BREVET.

Captain George Stewart, of the Ceylon Regiment, to be Major in the Army. Dated 22d July 1831.

The under-mentioned Cadets, of the Honourable the East India Company's Service, to have the temporary rank as Ensigns during the period of their being placed under the command of Colonel Pasley, of the Royal Engineers, at Chatham, for field instructions in the art of Sapping and Mining:

Gentleman Cadet Thomas Keighley. Dated 23d August 1831.