

at the accession to the Throne of these Realms of our most gracious Sovereign King William the Fourth.

The feelings which this Community, in common with all your Majesty's subjects, bear towards your Royal Person, and that of our beloved Monarch, will be testified to your Majesty by the late Pastor of our Congregation, who has the honour of presenting this Address,—a minister who has deservedly earned the grateful thanks of a widely extended community, by his unceasing attention to their spiritual comforts—and to whom we commit the pleasing task of conveying to your Majesty the assurances of our devoted loyalty and attachment.

That your Majesty's reign, and that of our beloved Sovereign, may be happy and propitious, and that it may be prolonged for the welfare of the people of these realms, is the fervent prayer of your Majesty's most devoted and most loyal subjects, the Churchwardens of the Lutheran Congregation at the Cape of Good Hope.

Consistory of the Lutheran Church, Cape Town,
Cape of Good Hope, July 31, 1831.

[Here follow the Signatures.]

St. James's-Palace, October 19, 1831.

This day Monsieur Falck, Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary from the King of the Netherlands, had an audience of His Majesty to deliver a letter from his Sovereign:

To which he was introduced by Lord Viscount Palmerston, His Majesty's Principal Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, and conducted by Sir Robert Chester, Knt. Master of the Ceremonies.

At the Court at St. James's, October 19, 1831.

CEREMONIAL of the Investiture of General Sir Ronald Craufurd Ferguson, with the Ensigns of a Knight Grand Cross of the Most Honourable Military Order of the Bath.

The following Knights Grand Crosses, in their mantles and collars of the Order, assembled at St. James's-Palace, viz. His Royal Highness the Duke of Cumberland; Lord De Saumarez; Lord Hill; the Right Honourable Sir James Kempt; and Sir Thomas Hislop, Bart.; attended by the under-named Officers of the Order, in their mantles, chains, and badges, viz. Sir George Nayler, Knt. Genealogist of the Order; Algernon Greville, Esq. Bath King of Arms; and Captain Michael Seymour, R. N. Register and Secretary of the Order.

At two o'clock, the Knights Grand Crosses were called over, and, with the Officers of the Order, proceeded into the presence of the Sovereign in the Throne-room, with the usual reverences.

Then, by His Majesty's command, General Sir Ronald Craufurd Ferguson was introduced into the Royal Presence between the two Junior Knights Grand Crosses present, preceded by Bath King of Arms, bearing the ribband, badge, and star of a Knight Grand Cross of the Order upon a crimson velvet cushion.

His Royal Highness the Duke of Cumberland, having thereupon received from Bath King of Arms the ribband and badge, presented them to the Sovereign, and, Sir Ronald Craufurd Ferguson kneeling, His Majesty was graciously pleased to put the same over the General's right shoulder; Sir Ronald Craufurd Ferguson, rising, had the honour to kiss the Sovereign's hand, and, having received from His Majesty the star of the Order, withdrew.

The Knights Grand Crosses were then again called over, and, with the Officers of the Order, retired from the presence of the Sovereign, with the usual reverences.

St. James's Palace, October 19, 1831.

HIS Majesty held a Chapter of the Most Illustrious Order of St. Patrick: The following Knights Companions in their Collars assembled in the entrée room, viz.: His Royal Highness the Duke of Cumberland, the Marquess of Thomond, the Marquess of Ormonde, the Earl of Meath, and the Earl of Fingall, attended by Sir William Betham, Ulster King of Arms, Knight Attendant, in his Mantle, Chain and Badge. At half past one o'clock the Knights Companions were called over by Ulster, and proceeded into the presence of the Sovereign, who was seated in the Chair of State; and the Knights Companions took their respective seats at the table according to the order of their stalls. By command of the Sovereign the Marquess of Clanricarde was then introduced into the Royal Presence and knighted by His Majesty with the sword of state; after which, his Lordship having kissed the Sovereign's hand, retired. The Earl of Charlemont was then introduced, and having in like manner received the honour of knighthood from the Sovereign, also retired.

Ulster King of Arms, by the Sovereign's command, then read a new statute, setting forth that, "where-
" as by the Statutes of the Most Illustrious Order of
" St. Patrick certain limitations of the number of
" Knights of the said Order are laid down and esta-
" blished; the King, as Sovereign of the said Most Il-
" lustrious Order, has been pleased, upon the solemn
" occasion of the Royal Coronation of their Majesties,
" to dispense with the said limitations and qualification,
" and to declare and appoint, that the Most Honour-
" able Arthur Blundell Sandys Trumbull Marquess
" of Downshire, the Most Honourable Ulick John
" Marquess of Clanricarde, the Right Honourable
" Francis William Earl of Charlemont, and the Right
" Honourable Francis James Earl of Llandaff, shall
" be Extra Knights of the said Most Illustrious Order
" of St. Patrick, and shall hold and-enjoy all titles,
" privileges, immunities, rights and advantages
" which the Knights of the said Order may lawfully
" hold and enjoy, and that the said Extra Knights
" shall in all Chapters of the said Order and other
" solemnities rank after the Regular and Extra Knights
" now existing, and before any Regular Knights
" hereafter to be made, and shall among themselves
" rank in the order in which their names are herein-
" before enumerated; and that on the death of any
" one of the said Extra Knights, the vacancy thereby
" created shall not be filled up."