

value, each, of one-third part of a shilling; and whereas, pursuant to Our said Order, and in virtue of the power given by the said Act, a coinage of the said groats or fourpences, at the rate and of the standard aforesaid, has been made, and every such groat or fourpence has for the obverse impression, Our Effigy, with the inscription, "Gulielmus III. D. G. Britanniar. Rex F. D." and for the reverse, a figure of Britannia, holding the Trident with one hand, and having the other hand placed upon a shield, bearing the Union Cross, with the words "Four Pence" round the figure, and the date of the year in the exergue, and with a milled graining round the edge; and whereas, pieces of silver money of the above description have been coined at Our Mint, and will be coined there, in pursuance of Orders issued, and to be issued, by Us; We have, therefore, by and with the advice of Our Privy Council, thought fit to issue this Our Royal Proclamation; and we do hereby ordain, declare, and command that the said pieces of money so coined, and to be coined, shall be current and lawful money of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, and shall pass and be received as current and lawful money of the United Kingdom, by the names aforesaid, and at the value hereinbefore assigned to them,

Given at Our Court at Saint James's, this third day February, one thousand eight hundred and thirty-six; and in the sixth year of Our reign.

GOD save the KING.

*At the Court at St. James's, February 5, 1836.*

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, Prince George of Cambridge, the Earl of Westmorland, the Marquess Camden, the Duke of Newcastle, the Duke of Wellington, the Duke of Dorset, the Marquess of Exeter, the Duke of Richmond, the Duke of Norfolk, and the Duke of Grafton, attended by the under-named Officers of the Order, in their mantles, chains, and badges, viz. the Lord Bishop of Winchester, Prelate of the Order; the Honourable and Reverend the Dean of Windsor, Register of the Order; Sir William Woods, Knt. (Clarenceux King of Arms), Deputy to Sir Ralph Bigland, Knt. Garter Principal King of Arms; and Sir Augustus-William-James Clifford, Knt. Gentleman Usher of the Black Rod.

At half past two o'clock, the Knights Companions were called over by Deputy Garter, and, with the Officers of the Order, proceeded into the presence of the Sovereign, in the Royal Closet.

The Sovereign, being seated in the chair of state, the Knights Companions, by His Majesty's command, took their respective seats according to the order of their stalls, the Prelate standing on the right hand of the Sovereign, and the Register, Deputy Garter, and Black Rod at the bottom of the table.

The Prelate then signified to the Chapter, the

Sovereign's royal will and pleasure, that the two 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 Alexander Duke of Hamilton and Brandon was introduced by Deputy Garter and Black Rod, and knighted by His Majesty with the sword of state, and his Grace, having kissed the Sovereign's hand, retired. After which Henry Marquess of Lansdowne was, in like manner, introduced and knighted with the same ceremonies.

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

Then, by the Sovereign's command, his Grace was received at the door of the Chapter-room by the Duke of Norfolk and the Duke of Grafton, the two junior Knights Companions present, and conducted between them to His Majesty, preceded by Deputy Garter (bearing the ensigns of the Order on a crimson velvet cushion) and by Black Rod. The Duke of Hamilton, kneeling near the Sovereign, and Deputy Garter presenting on his knee the Garter, His Majesty, assisted by His Royal Highness the Duke of Cumberland and Prince George of Cambridge, the two senior Knights Companions present, buckled it on his Grace's left leg, the Prelate pronouncing the usual admonition.

Deputy Garter next presented, in like manner, the ribband with the George, and His Majesty, with the assistance of the said two senior Knights Companions, placed the same over his Grace's left shoulder, the Prelate pronouncing the admonition. The Duke having again kissed the Sovereign's hand, and received the congratulations of each of the Knights Companions, withdrew.

The Chapter then proceeded to a second election, and the suffrages having been collected by the Prelate, and presented to the Sovereign, the Most Honourable Henry Marquess of Lansdowne, Lord President of His Majesty's Council, was, by the Sovereign's command, declared duly elected, whereupon his Lordship was introduced and invested with the Garter and the ribband and George, in the same manner as the Duke of Hamilton had been, and the like formalities having been observed, the Marquess withdrew.

The Chapter being ended, Deputy Garter again called over the Knights Companions, who, with the Officers of the Order, retired from the presence of the Sovereign, with the usual reverences.

*At the Court at St. James's, February 5, 1836.*

The King, as Sovereign of the Most Noble Order of the Garter, has been 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 usually observed in regard to installation, and to give and grant unto the Most Noble Alexander Duke of Hamilton and Brandon, and unto the Most Honourable Henry Marquess