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TUESDAY, JULY 7, 1857.

Buckingham Palace, July 3, 1857.

THIS day had audience of Her Majesty; The Duke and Duchess de Montpensier, Brother-in-law and only Sister of the Queen of Spain. Their Royal Highnesses were attended by Don Juan Tomas Comyn, Chargé d'Affaires of Her Catholic Majesty at this Court;

Also the Prince of Hohenzollern Sigmaringen. His Serene Highness was attended by the Count de Bernstorff, Envoy Extraordinary and Minister Plenipotentiary from the King of Prussia at the Court of Her Majesty:

To which audiences their Royal and Serene Highnesses were introduced by the Earl of Clarendon, K.G., Her Majesty's Principal Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, and conducted by Major-General the Honourable Sir Edward Cust, K.C.H., Her Majesty's Master of the Ceremonies.

CHAPTER of the Most Noble Order of the Garter.

ELECTION and INVESTITURE of EARL GRANVILLE and MARQUESS OF WESTMINSTER.

At the Court at Buckingham Palace, July 6, 1857.

A CHAPTER of the Most Noble Order of the Garter having been summoned for this day, the Knights Companions hereinafter named, in their mantles and collars, assembled in the Green Drawing-Room; viz.:

His Royal Highness the Duke of Cambridge, the Marquess of Exeter, the Duke of Buccleuch, the Marquess of Lansdowne, the Marquess of Salisbury, the Duke of Cleveland, the Earl de Grey, the Marquess Camden, the Earl of Clarendon, the Earl Spencer, the Earl Fitzwilliam, the Duke of Northumberland, the Earl of Aberdeen, the Earl Fortescue, and Viscount Palmerston, attended by the Officers of the Order: the Lord Bishop of Winchester, Prelate; the Lord Bishop of Oxford, Chancellor; the Honourable and Reverend Gerald Wellesley, Dean of Windsor, Register; Sir Charles-George Young, Knight, Garter; and Sir Augustus William James Clifford, Baronet, Gentleman Usher of the Black Rod.

At three o'clock the Knights Companions were called over by Garter, when (Her Majesty and

His Royal Highness the Prince Consort having passed into the Chapter-Room) they proceeded, with the Officers of the Order, into the presence of the Sovereign.

The Sovereign being seated in her Chair of State, and His Royal Highness the Prince Consort at the table on the right hand of Her Majesty, the other Knights took their respective places at the table; the Prelate standing on the right hand of the Sovereign, the Chancellor on the left hand; the Register, Garter and Black Rod, at the bottom of the table.

The Chancellor then signified to the Chapter Her Majesty's royal will and pleasure, that the two vacant stalls in the Royal Chapel of Saint George, at Windsor, be filled; and as, by the statutes, none but a Knight can be elected, the Right Honourable Granville-George, Earl Granville, was introduced by Garter and Black Rod, and knighted by Her Majesty with the sword of state; and his lordship having kissed the Sovereign's hand, retired.

The Most Honourable Richard, Marquess of Westminster, was next introduced, and having been knighted, with the same ceremony, retired.

The Knights Companions then proceeded to the election, and the suffrages having been collected by the Chancellor, were by him presented to the Sovereign, who commanded him to declare, and he accordingly declared, that the Right Honourable Granville-George Earl Granville, Lord President of Her Majesty's Council, had been duly elected a Knight of the Most Noble Order of the Garter.

Then, by the Sovereign's command, his Lordship was received at the door of the Chapter-room by the Earl Fortescue and Viscount Palmerston, the two junior Knights Companions, and conducted between them to Her Majesty, preceded by Garter (bearing the ensigns of the Order upon a crimson velvet cushion), and by Black Rod.

Earl Granville, kneeling near the Sovereign, Garter, on his knee, presented the Garter, and Her Majesty, assisted by His Royal Highness The Prince Consort, and His Royal Highness the Duke of Cambridge, the two senior Knights Companions present, buckled it on his Lordship's left leg, the Chancellor pronouncing the usual admonition.

Garter next, in like manner, presented the Ribband and George, and Her Majesty, assisted as before, put the same over his Lordship's left shoulder, the Chancellor pronouncing the admo-