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HIS Majesty having granted a Commission to several Companions of the most noble Order of the Garter, for the Installation of his most Serene Highness the Prince of Orange, by his Proctor Sir Charles Wager, Knight, one of the Lords of the Privy Council, Admiral of the Blue, and first Commissioner of the Admiralty; and likewise for the personal Installations of the most noble William Cavendish Duke of Devonshire, Lord Steward of the Household, and of the Right Honourable Spencer Compton Earl of Wilmington, Lord President of the Council, lately elected into that most noble Fraternity; six of the Commissioners thus appointed, and hereafter particularly named, being all apparalled in the full Habits of the Order, met in the great Chamber in the Dean's Lodgings; to which Place the Duke of Devon and Earl of Wilmington came in the Under Habits, each carrying in his Hand his Cap adorned with Diamonds and Pearls of great Value, together with the Feathers and Horn Tops: From thence a Procession was made to the Chapter-House in the following Method. The Arms Knights in their Mantles, going by Pairs, began it, and next to them followed the Prebends, two and two, then the Officers of Arms in like Manner in their Tabarts; the Earl of Wilmington and Duke of Devon proceeded in Breast; the Register, Garter King of Arms, and Gentleman Usher of the Black Rod, Officers of the Order, in their Crimson Sattin Mantles, with their proper Badges, Garter carrying the Sovereign's Commission; then the six Knights Companions Commissioners, in their compleat Habits and Ensigns. Upon the Entry into the North Isle of the Chapel, the Proctor of his Highness the Prince of Orange, with the two other Knights elect, placed themselves upon Chairs set in the Passage behind the Altar, while the Officers of the Order proceeded into the Chapter House, where the six Knights Companions the Commissioners seated themselves according to the Seniority of their Elections into the Order, and conformable to the Situation of their Stalls in the Chapel, Garter forthwith with Reverence presented the Commission to his Grace the Duke of Dorset, the Senior Companion and Commissioner, who gave it to the Register, who after reading presented the same to the other Lords Commissioners, empowering them, or any two or more of them, to do and perform every thing

that is required by the Statutes and Decrees of the Order for perfecting these Installations.

Garter was then commanded to conduct the Proctor of his Highness the Prince of Orange into the Chapter House, who was received at the Door, and brought next to the Place where the Mantle of his Highness had been laid upon a Crimson Velvet Cushion.

Garter was then sent to conduct the Duke of Devonshire to the Door of the Chapter House, where his Grace being received by the two Junior Commissioners, was afterwards invested with the Surcoat of the Order by the two Senior Commissioners, the Register reading the proper Admonitions; and then the Belt with the Sword was buckled on: Which being done, all the same Ceremonies were observed with relation to the Earl of Wilmington. The Proctor and these Knights elect remained in the Chapter House while a Procession was made into the Chapel to offer the Hatchments of the late Duke of Cleveland, and of the late Earl of Pembroke, the deceased Knights, in the following Manner, that of the late Duke of York having been formerly offered.

The Poor Knights entred two and two, who being come to the middle of the Choir, made their Reverences all together, first to the Altar, and then towards the Sovereign's Stall, and proceeded up near to the Rails of the Altar, where they placed themselves on either Side of them.

The Prebends entred in the same Manner, and all stood below the Poor Knights, excepting two, who went up to the Altar to receive the Hatchments to be offered.

The Officers of Arms in the like Method, and stood below the Prebends on both Sides.

The Officers of the Order entred with the same Ceremonies, and stood before their Seats or Forms.

Then the six Knights Companions the Commissioners entred, the Juniors by Election going first, that is to say:

The Earl of Burlington proceeded single, because his Companion in the opposite Stall was absent.

Sir Robert Walpole, having on the Right Hand his Companion the Duke of Richmond.

The Duke of Newcastle alone, for the Reason above-mentioned.

The Duke of Montagu, having the Duke of Dorset on the Right Hand.

The Junior Knight Companion entring, and having made his Reverences in the Middle of the Choir to the Altar, and then towards the Sovereign's Stall, retired and stood

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