

sence, or by Commission in England, which was averred by the Chancellor to be both the fundamental and constant Practice,) humbly besought the Sovereign not to begin to make any breach in the constant Order, so long and uninterruptedly continued. Whereupon it was resolved, by general Vote, that the Feast should be celebrated on the aforesaid Days of Prorogation.

By which Determination it sufficiently appears of what Moment the Sovereign and *Knights-Companions* then conceived it to the Honour of the Order, to follow the Statutes, for the Celebration of the Grand Feast once every Year. Besides, it is observable, that it was not thought expedient to be dispensed with, even on the most pressing and important Occasions. But rather than the Statutes should suffer any Violation, the Feast was then solemnized, tho' they were so straiten'd in point of time, as not to have above two Days to make preparation for it.

And though indeed on the breaking out of the unhappy Civil War, the Sovereign was obliged to defer the Solemnity from Year to Year, it was not to be looked on as any Precedent; and on the Restauration of King Charles II. it renewed its former Order.

C A P. XIX.

Of Preparations for the Grand Feast of the Order.

Of Letters giving notice of the Time and Place.

§ 1. **A**Mong many other things which are necessary to be prepared beforehand; the first of course is, the Letters directed to all the *Knights-Companions* and Officers of the Order, resident within the Kingdom, to give them notice of the Time and Place, when and where the Feast is to be held. (2.) Letters of Dispensation to such Knights, as the Sovereign shall please to Excuse from their attendance at the Feast. (3.) Commissions

missions of Lieutenancy, (or sometimes of Assistance) when the Sovereign cannot personally Solemnize the same.

(4.) Warrants for the removal of Achievements, if there be then Occasion. (5.) Escutcheons and Stiles, to be set on the back of each *Knight-Companion's* Stall, if the Feast be held elsewhere than at *Windsor*. (6.) The Chappel to be decently adorned. (7.) The Great Hall, or other Place for the Grand Dinner, to be prepared, and very nobly furnished. (8.) And lastly, Officers to be appointed, besides those of the *Order of Arms*, who are to give peculiar Attendance on the Sovereign, at this Grand Solemnity.

As to the first of these Points, the Chancellor is to attend the Sovereign some convenient time before the approach of *St. George's Day*, to learn his Pleasure therein, and whether he is inclined to Prorogue the Day, &c.

If the Sovereign be inclined to a Prorogation, then the Chancellor is to draw up a Commission for that purpose. After this, Letters issued out anciently under the Sovereign's Sign Manual, both to his Lieutenant, when he holds not the Feast personally, and the *Knights-Companions*, giving them notice of the Time and Place; but of late the Chancellor hath been appointed to dispatch these Letters in his own Name.

But whether the Feast be held upon *St. George's Day*, or any other, by Prorogation, the Sovereign's Pleasure was usually known so long before the appointed time, that these circular Letters issued out sometimes two, three, four, five, or six Months, before the assigned Day. And in cases where there has been farther Prorogations, care has been taken to issue out new Commissions, in the like convenient time, before the old were expired; as may be observed by what has gone before; that to those *Knights-Companions*, who are most remote from Court, may have sufficient time to prepare, either for attendance, or on just occasion to apply themselves to the Sovereign, for Letters of Dispensation for absence: And farther, that the absent Knights may thereby take notice of the Day set, because such are obliged to hold the Feast in their own Houses, at the same time.

Besides the Letters directed to the *Knights-Companions*; the Chancellor is likewise to write his Letters to each of the Officers of the *Order*, to give them the like notice.

Of Dispensations for not attending the Grand Feast.

§ 2. It having been complained of by the Chancellor of the Order, and taken notice of by the Sovereign and Knights-Companions, in a Chapter held at the Celebration of the Grand Feast, 13 Car. I. at *White-Hall* :

That of late Years, divers Knights-Companions had neglected, both their attendance on the Sovereign at the Feast of St. George, or to send under their Seals of Arms, their probable Excuses, and Petitions for Licence and Dispensation, contrary to the most ancient Statutes, and their Duty.

It was therefore, among many other things, Decreed, *That for the future, every Knight of the Order should be bound to attend on the usual Days, or such as should be assigned by Prorogation: But in case of Sicknets, or other important Business to retard them, they shou'd, under their Seals of Arms to the Chancellor, signify the reasons for requiring a Dispensation for their absence, twenty Days at least before the usual, or assigned time, to be presented by him to the Sovereign; and on neglect of so doing, except in sudden Accidents, should not be excused, but incur the Penalty of the Statutes.*

And it is evident, that this way of enjoining the Knights-Companions to send the reason that prevented their Attendance, under their Seals, has been very ancient; for the *Black-Book* records an Order in Chapter, held at a General Feast, i Hen. VI. to this very purpose; and enjoined farther, *That when such absent Knights were present at the next Feast, they should be obliged to give the reason why they should not incur the Penalty of their former absence, since the Statutes enjoin it.*

In pursuance of the beforementioned Decree, Sir *Thomas Rowe*, then Chancellor, added to those his Letters, dated 18 May, 1637. and directed to the Knights-Companions, under the Seal of the Order, this following Postscript.

According to two Acts made in Chapter, in the Presence of the Sovereign, 18 April, 1637. concerning the neglect of the Knights-Companions, in their Attendance upon his Majesty at the Feast of St. George, and a Command expressly receiv'd to signify so much to your Lordship; I have the true

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Copies of the Acts themselves, it being resolved, in case of Omission of your lawful and timely Excuse, under your Seal of Arms, and in occasion of absence, in keeping the Solemnity in your own House, that no Dispensation shall be given, but your Lordship shall incur the Penalties of the ancient Statutes; which are, That you shall not be permitted to the Chapter, nor to your Seat, the next Year; but shall stand before it, as do the Choiristers: In Procession then you shall go before, and not in your Place among the Knights, and shall Offer last; and that this Penance being done, you shall come before the Seat of the Sovereign, and ask Absolution: But if two Years successively your Lordship shall omit your Attendance, or timely Suit for Dispensation, you shall Pay twenty Marks, and that Sum to be doubled for every Year of such Omission, till you are reconciled, and pardoned by the Sovereign, whereof I beseech your Lordship to take knowledge.

It afterwards appears, by an Order past in Chapter, 9th October, 15 Car. I. that this early notice to be given, from such of the Knights-Companions, as upon the reasons already mentioned should be absent, was designed chiefly in Favour of the Officers of the Sovereign's Household, who, by knowing in due time who should be absent, and who not, might make timely and certain Provision for the Feast.

Upon notice sent by the Chancellor, to the Knights-Companions, as aforesaid, if any of them should happen to be any way indisposed, or have other lawful Excuse for not repairing to Court, and attending the Feast, they may acquaint the Chancellor therewith, whose Duty it is to represent it to the Sovereign, and thereon to procure his Letters of Dispensation for their absence, if the Sovereign consents.

Which Letters are to be conveyed by Garter, or carried by whomsoever he shall appoint; for which there was a Fee by the Mile allowed him, by the following Order, past at a Meeting held by the Knights-Commissioners, for regulating Points relating to the Order, 13 Car. I.

Whereas it having anciently been the Office of Garter, King of Arms, to disperse and send Letters of Prorogation, Dispensation, and other Commands of the Sovereign, to the absent Knights, which in many cases must be chargeable, it was this Day ordered, That if he should send any Act of

avour or Dispensation to any Knight, absent from his Majesty's Court, or four Miles from the City of London, he to whom such Dispensation should be sent, should pay his Servant or Messenger, for every Day's Travel, as much as is allowed and paid any other Messengers of his Majesty's House or Chamber.

Variety of Occasions and Accidents, as Grounds to move the Sovereign, and Inducements to obtain his Dispensation, are extant in several Letters sent to Sir Thomas Rowe, when Chancellor, on the aforesaid Injunctions, Decreed 13 Car. I. but they all agree in the Causes we have mentioned.

Of Commissions of Lieutenancy.

§ 3. Touching the third particular, and preparing Commissions of Lieutenancy, in such cases where the Sovereign cannot personally Celebrate the Feast; as also Commissions for those whom he thinks fit to appoint for his *Assistants*, the Reader is refer'd to the Head in the next *Chapter*, under which there is an Account of constituting a *Lieutenant*; and here only observe, that the Chancellor is to draw up these Commissions, and attend the Sovereign for his Hand, and after to pass them under the Great Seal of the *Order*.

Warrant for the removal of Achievements.

§ 4. If there be occasion for removal of any of the *Knights-Companions* Achievements, at the Grand Feast, which indeed has seldom happened, unless an Installation were celebrated at the same time, then does the Chancellor obtain the Sovereign's Warrant, directed to *Garter*, for the performance thereof: But of this we have already said sufficient, under the Head of Preparations made for Personal Installations of a *Knight-Companion*.

Escutcheons of Arms and Stiles.

§ 5. Heretofore, when the Celebrations of *St. George's Day* were kept at any other Place besides *Windfor Castle*,

it was thought most necessary to provide large Paper Escutcheons; wherein were Marshall'd the Arms and Quarterings of the Sovereign, and each *Knight-Companion*, in Metal and Colour, encompass'd with a *Garter*; and thereon Crowns, Caps, or Coronets, peculiar to each Dignity, with their Styles and Titles fairly printed underneath, (but without Crests or Supporters,) to be set on the back side of their Stalls, on the Eve of the Feast: But the Sovereign's Arms were impaled with those of *St. George*, over which an Imperial Crown was placed, and these (in defect of the Plates and Banners, set over their Stalls, in the Choir of *St. George's Chappel at Windsor*;) did serve for Directions for the *Knights-Companions*, that by the view of them they might the more readily and certainly know their proper Stalls.

We have not met with any Memorial of this usage, that reacheth higher than *Anno 21 Hen. VII.* when the Sovereign, holding the Day of *St. George* at *Cambridge*, *King's College Chappel* was furnished with Escutcheons of the *Knights-Companions* Arms; but to shew the use was ancient, there is this Note put into the Memorial, [as was Yearly accustomed,] *Anno 22 Hen. VIII.* the Sovereign being at *Windsor* on the Eve of *St. George*, appointed the Service of the Church to be celebrated in his Chappel, in the upper Quadrangle of *Windsor Castle*; and there being present with him thirteen *Knights-Companions*, each of them had set over their Heads an Escutcheon of their Arms.

This manner the Stalls were afterwards solemnly Establish'd, and enlarged to absent Knights, by an Order of Chapter held at *Greenwich*, *Anno 3 Edw. VI.* wherein the Sovereign and *Knights-Companions* agreed, that from thenceforth every Stall, upon *St. George's Eve*, should have an Escutcheon of the Arms of them which are absent, as well as those that were present, at their several Costs and Charges.

But this cannot be understood of the Stalls situate in the Chappel of *St. George* at *Windsor*; for besides, that we have met with no ancient Account of any such Custom in that Place, we find a Memorial, rather implying the contrary; when *Queen Elizabeth*, in the sixth Year of her Reign, held the Feast of *St. George* upon its proper Day, at *Windsor Castle*; Namely, that there was no Escutcheons

cheons of the *Knights-Companions* Arms set up there, but only the Plates; and without all doubt, had it been the usage to fix Escutcheons in the Choir of that Chappel, as at other Places, they would not at that time especially have been omitted; because then the Sovereign appeared upon an extraordinary Occasion, and where many things were added to heighten the Glory of that Grand Feast, by reason the Peace between *England* and *France* was to be proclaimed at this Festival, in the presence of the *French* Ambassador; and was accordingly done with great Solemnity on *St. George's Day* in the Morning, at the East-Entrance in the lower Ward of the Castle, at the top of the Hill towards *St. George's Chappel*; and to which Place the Sovereign, in her whole Habit of the Order, (the *French* Ambassador being near her,) with the five Officers of the Order, and *Knights-Companions* before her, and before them the Officers of Arms and Trumpets, proceeding in a stately and well ordered Cavalcade; and after *Clarenceux*, King of Arms, had ended the Proclamation, they continued the Proceeding thence to the Chappel, in the same State and Order.

As to the Practice and constant usage of setting up Escutcheons of Arms, since *Anno 3 Edw. VI.* and at such time as *St. George's Day* was held elsewhere than at *Wind-sor*, we have seen variety of Testimonies.

The care of ordering and providing of which belonged to *Garter*, but the Sovereign of the Order was at the Charge, (notwithstanding the said Order, *Anno 3 Edw. VI.*) which heretofore we see was paid out of the Treasury in the Exchequer; and since the Establishment of 1200 *l. per Annum*, (settled by the late Sovereign King *Charles I.* to discharge the ordinary and extraordinary Expences of the Order,) the Allowance issued thence, and was paid by the Chancellor of the Order; but now the Charge is placed upon *Garter*, he having an Allowance therefore included in the Augmentation of his Pension, *Anno 15 Car. II.*

We find *Privy Seals* to have issued as high as the fifteenth of Queen *Elizabeth*, for the Annual Allowance of 7 *l.* for Escutcheons employed for the use aforesaid, and that the Price some time before was about that rate, for the three and twenty Escutcheons, provided against *St. George's Feast*, *Anno 1* and 2 *Phil.* and *Mar.* came to 6 *l.* 1 *s.* and 8 *d.* and those five and twenty set up the following

lowing Year, 6 *l.* 11 *s.* and 8 *d.* some Differences then also being in the Work, which enhanced the Price, *viz.* those provided for Princes, at 6 *s.* and 8 *d.* a Piece, and each of the rest at 5 *s.*

The Sovereign, the Prince of *Wales*, and Stranger Kings and Princes, have accustomably had, at these Times, Majesty Escutcheons set up over each of their Stalls; but the rest of the *Knights-Companions*, Lodging Escutcheons only; and we have seen an Account of some Majesty Escutcheons prepared for every *St. George's Feast*, from 1613, to 1619; to wit, one for the Sovereign, another for the King of *Denmark*, a third for the Prince of *Wales*, and a fourth for *Frederick*, Count Palatine of the *Rhine*, at 6 *s.* and 8 *d.* a piece; but so many *Knights-Companions* as attended the Sovereign at those Feasts, had each a Lodging Escutcheon, at 2 *s.* and 6 *d.*

From the Marshalling of Arms, quartered in the *Knights-Companions* Escutcheons, and ordering their Stiles, (printed always in *French*) there are several things no less useful than worthy of Observation; for, first, though the Plates of Arms and Quarterings, fixed in each *Knights-Companions* Stall at *Windsor*, continue there without alteration, or very seldom changed from that Order wherein they were Marshalled at that Time of their Installation; yet these Escutcheons and Stiles Annually set up, do admit of frequent alteration, as there is Occasion; either by adding more Quarterings, altering the Stiles, or amending any thing that is amiss.

For Instance: Whereas the Duke of *Savoy*, before 5 *Eliz.* bore *Gules* a *Cross* *argent*, it was then altered into five Coats; that is to say, in the first Quarter, *Westphalia*, *Saxe Moderne* and *angrie*; in the second, *Chablais*; in the third *Aouste*, and the fourth as the first; and over all, in the Middle, the aforesaid Escutcheon of *Savoy*.

When the Lord *Hunsdon* was installed, *Anno* 3 *Eliz.* he had twelve Coats of Arms, thus Marshalled in his Plate; four, four, and four; the first *Carey*, the second *Spencer*, the third *Somerset*, the fourth *Bullen*, the fifth *Ormond*, the sixth *Hoo*, the seventh *Rochford*, the eighth *Seyntomer*, the ninth *Malmains*, the tenth *Wichingham*, the eleventh *St. Leger*, and the twelfth *Hangford*; but *Anno* 7 *Eliz.* his Escutcheon received an Addition of four other Coats, *viz.* *Beauchamp*, *Warwick*, *Berkley*, and *Gerard*,

ward, and they were inserted next to *Somerset*, the third Coat in this said Plate.

But on the contrary, where *Ambrose*, Earl of *Warwick*, had twenty one Coats put into his Plate; Anno 5 *Eliz.* and they Marshall'd in this Order, five, five, five, and six; Namely, first *Sutton*, second *Paganell*, third *Grey* of *Rutbin*, fourth *Hastings*, fifth *Quincy*, sixth *Malpas*, seventh *Somery*, eighth *Valence*, ninth *Talbott*, tenth *Warwick*, eleventh *Beauchamp*, twelfth *Berkley*, thirteenth *Liste*, fourteenth *Gerard*, fifteenth *Guilford*, sixteenth *Houlden*, seventeenth *West*, eighteenth and nineteenth *Quarterly de la Ware* and *Cantilupe*, twentieth *Mortimere* of *Wigmore*, and twenty one *Greely*; at the Feast of *St. George*, held at *White-Hall*, Anno 9 *Eliz.* his Escutcheon contained but sixteen, viz. four, four, four, and four; Namely, first *Sutton*, second *Paganell*, third *Somery*, fourth *Malpas*, fifth *Grey* of *Rutbin*, sixth *Hastings*, seventh *Valence*, eighth *Ferrers*, ninth *Quincefs*, tenth *Chester*, eleventh *Talbot*, twelfth *Beauchamp*, thirteenth *Warwick*, fourteenth *Berkley*, fifteenth *Gerard*, sixteenth *Liste*: So that there were seven Coats taken out of the former. Namely, *Guilford*, *Holden*, *West de la Ware* and *Cantilupe*, *Quarterly Mortimere* and *Greely*, and two added, viz. *Ferrers* and *Chester*.

But the greatest and frequentest Variations are in the Stiles and Titles of Honour, set under the Escutcheons, and these relate unto, and are occasioned principally from their attaining or resigning of Offices or Dignities.

We find that the Stile set under the Escutcheon of *Ferdinand* the Empire, at *St. George's Feast*, Anno 1 and 2 *Phil.* and *Mar.* was as followeth.

Du tres hault tres-Excellent & tres-Puissant Prince, Ferdinand, par la grace de Dieu, Roy des Romains, de Hongarie & Bohemie, Arch-Duc d'Autric, Duc de Bourgoigne, &c. Chevalier du tres-Noble Ordre de la Jarretiere.

But Anno 5 *Eliz.* in the said Emperor's Stile, the Titles of King of *Hungary* and *Bohemia* were left out; because *Maximilian* his Son had a little before obtained both those Kingdoms.

In the Reign of Queen *Elizabeth*, the Stiles of *Philip*, King of *Spain*, who, while Queen *Mary* lived, was Co-Sovereign of this most Noble Order, run thus:

Du tres Hault tres-Excellent and tres-Puissant Prince Philip, par la grace de Dieu, Roy d'Espagne, des Deux Cicels & Jerusalem, Arch Duc d'Autriche, Duc de Bourgoigne, Milan, & Brabant, Comte de Hapsburghe, Flanders, Flanders, & Tiroll; Chevalier du tres-Noble Ordre de la Jarretiere.

But at the Feasts of St. George, Anno 28, 29, and 30 Eliz. the Title of Catholick Prince was also given him.

The Instances relating to Knight-Subjects are very many, there having been almost every Year some Additions, or Omissions.

In the Duke of Norfolk's Stile, Anno 3 Eliz. the Lieutenantship of the North was omitted. In the Earl of Rutland's, at the same Feast, President of the Council in the Council in the North, was added. The Marquis of Winchester caused the Title of Baron St. John to be omitted, because his eldest Son bore that Title, and was a Baron of Parliament.

It may be further observed, that a Stranger elect (having received the Habit and Ensigns of the Order,) hath been allowed the Honour of having an Escutcheon of his Arms set on the back of that Stall designed for him, notwithstanding he has not been installed.

Of Adorning the Chappel.

§ 6. The Chappel where Divine Service is celebrated, at the time of the Grand Feast; whether it be that of St. George's at Windsor, or elsewhere, as the Sovereign is pleas'd, hath at all times been adorn'd with rich Furniture; the care and oversight whereof at Windsor, is committed to the Dean of the College, but at other Places, to the Dean of the Chappel.

The Altar, by the Gift of Pious Benefactors, was adorned with Vessels, sumptuous both for their Materials and Workmanship, but *temp. Hen. VIII.* and *Edw. VI.* most of them were disposed of, so that King James I. taking notice that very little Plate and other Ornaments were belonging to the Chappel, was pleas'd to make some Provision for the adorning thereof, which was at length

length effected by the free Contributions of the Knights themselves.

For at a *Chapter* held at *White-Hall*, 16 *Jac. I.* it was Decreed, that every *Knight-Companion* should give to the use of the *Altar* in the said *Chappel*, a piece of *Plate* of the value of 20 *l.* at the least.

This Decree was confirm'd, *Anno 6 Car. I.* the *Dean* and *Canons* of *Windsor* being impower'd to demand and receive the Sums of Money, as above, which they were to bestow in *Plate*, for the use of the *Altar*; and accordingly they agreed for the quantity of *Plate* hereafter mentioned, which was deliver'd, *Anno 1637. viz.*

Two little Candlesticks chas'd and gilt, for Wax Candles	Ou. Dr. } 092 06
Two Chalices, with four Pattens	113 01
Two great Candlesticks, neat for Tapers	553 15
Two little Basons	251 15
One great Bason	210 00

The Value at 12 s. the Ounce, came to	l. s. 730 10
Besides nine Cases.	009 10

But to make some farther addition to the *Glory* of this *Altar*, *King Charles II.* at the time of his *Installation*, offered two large gilt *Water-Pots*, weighing 387 *Ounces* ten *Peny* Weight, amounting, by the excellent *Workmanship*, to 12 s. the *Ounce*, and to the *Sum* of 232 *l.* 10 s. some sacred *Ceremonies* were perform'd at the *Consecration* of this *Plate*, not very necessary to be spoke of here. But all these, with the other *Goods* and *Monuments* belonging to the *King's* free *Chappel* and *Treasury* at *Windsor*, were rifled and taken away by the *Parliament* *Army*. *King Charles II.* therefore, after the *Restauration*, *Anno 1667*, by the consent of the *Knights-Companions*, did levy and collect, and by his own *Bounty* furnished the *Chappel* again with the following *Plate*.

A pair of gilt *Flaggons*, bought with *Money* collected from the *Knights-Companions*, 150 *Ounces*.

A Pair of wrought *Flaggons*, with great *Bellies*, having the *Figure* of *St. George* on *Horseback* on the *Cover*, &c. bought with the *Knights* *Money*, 414 *Ounces*.

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One small Bason, 25 Ounces and an half.

A pair of plain gilt Chalice and Covers, bought also with the Knights Money, 163 Ounces and a quarter.

A large Embos'd Bason, with the Figure of Mary Magdalen washing our Saviour's Feet, 198 Ounces.

A pair of large Taper Candlesticks, 264 Ounces.

At the Charge of the College.

A pair of large Basons gilt and Embos'd, given by her Royal Highness the Dutchess of York, 305 Ounces.

A plain gilt Corporas, the Gift of Sir Richard Fanshawe, 24 Ounces.

A double gilt Chalice, the Gift of the Lady Mary Heveningham, 33 Ounces.

As to the Adorning, and Furniture of the Chappel, 'tis very Sumptuous; the particulars being not so very material, I shall here omit them.

The Furnishing St. George's Hall.

§ 7. The care of making ready and furnishing St. George's Hall, or any Place, either there, or elsewhere, set apart for the Grand Dinner, is committed partly to the Gentlemen-Ushers of the *Black-Rod*, and partly to the Sovereign's Surveyer-General of his Works, both by Warrant from the Lord Chamberlain of the Household: They cause to be prepared the Tables, and set in Order the rich and costly Furniture.

Officers and Servants appointed to attend the Grand Feast.

§ 8. The Principal Officers of the Grand Feast are serv'd by Noblemen whom the Sovereign appoints, and are put in a List, Sign'd by the Lord Chamberlain of the Household, and delivered to the *Black-Rod*, who gives them notice some convenient time before the Feast, that they may the better perform the Duty of their several Places; of what Quality they usually are, will appear by the following List.

Those

Those that gave their Attendance at the Grand Feast;
Anno 14 Car. II. when the Sovereign was installed, were,
 For the Sword, The Earl of *Northampton*.
 The great Balon, The Earls of *Bedford, Hertford, Clare,*
St. Albans, and the Lord *Herbert of Ragland*.
 The Cup-bearer, The Earl of *Essex*.
 The Carver, The Earl of *Carlisle*.
 The Sewer, The Earl of *Dover*.
 The Surnap, The Earl of *Elgin*.
 The Ewer, The Earl of *Devonshire*.
 The Train, The Lords *Russel, Herbert,* and *Cran-*
borne.

The Gentlemen of the Sovereign's Privy-Chamber in waiting bear the Canopy, and the Sovereign's Officers and Servants following, (having notice from the Lord Chamberlain,) give their Attendance; as appears by the List of those appointed to give their Attendance at *Windsor*,
Anno 23 Car. II.

Lord Chamberlain, and Servants.
 Groom of the Stool.
 Bed-Chamber Men.
 Secretaries of State.
 Gentlemen-Ushers of the Privy-Chamber.
 Mr. Vice Chamberlain.
 Gentlemen of the Bed Chamber.
 Privy Purse.
 Secretaries of *Scotland*.
 Twelve Gentlemen of the Privy-Chamber in waiting;
 Four Gentlemen-Ushers daily Waiters.
 Two Cup-bearers.
 Eight Quarter Waiters, Gentlemen-Ushers.
 Two Chaplains.
 Two Physicians.
 Two Chirurgeons.
 Mrs. Sempstrefs and Landress to his Majesty;
 Four Grooms of the Chamber.
 Fourteen Lords to attend his Majesty.
 Officers of the Guard.
 Yeomen of the Guard.
 Three Masters of the Tents.
 Master of the Ceremonies.
 Aid of the Ceremonies.
 Jewel-House.

Musicians.
 Yeomen of the Bows and Guns.
 Captain Cook, and the Children of the Chappel.
 Two Carvers.
 Two Sewers.
 Two Pages of the Presence.
 Two Esquires of the Body.
 Two Apothecaries.
 Four Serjeants at Arms.
 Eight Sewers of the Chamber.
 Pages of the back Stairs.
 Captain of the Guards.
 Officers of the Robes.
 Two Grooms of the Privy-Chamber.
 Groom Porter.
 Marshal of the Ceremonies.
 Removing Wardrobe.
 Gentlemen of the Chappel.
 Five Messengers.
 Sixteen Trumpeters.
 Serjeant Trumpeter.
 Drum Major.
 Four Drummers and a Fife.

C A P. XX.

*The Order of the Ceremonies on the Eve
of the Grand Feast.*

Of the beginning of the Grand Feast.

§ 1. **T**HE Celebration of the Grand Feast, with the Ceremonies, devis'd to set forth and illustrate the Glory thereof, hath been worthy the observation of the first Institutor, and all succeeding Sovereigns; well knowing that what is once slightly observ'd will soon fall into disesteem, if not into contempt. Therefore they have been very particular to the Day, the Hour,

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