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KING Richard the First of England instituted this Order, after the surprizal of the city of Acon. It consisted of the English Nation. Their Patron was Saint Thomas Becket, Archbishop of Canterbury. Their Garment white, and the ensign of the Order was a red cross charged in the centre with a white Escallop shell.

But A. Mendo believeth that these Knights were rather some of those which joined themselves with the Knights Hospitallers, for that they wore the same habit, followed the same rule, and observed the same customs, as did the Knights of St. John of Acon.

Note, The Collars, Badges, Jewels, and Stars, of the Orders of the Garter, Bath, Thistle and St. Patrick, are drawn and Engraved from the originals.

The end of the Orders of Knighthood in England, Scotland, and Ireland.