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THIS Military Order was instituted in the year 1317 by Dionysius of Portugal, in order to engage the nobility to assist him the more powerfully against the Moors. It obtained great possessions, and continued to be governed by a Grand Master elected by the Knights until 1522, when Pope Adrian VI. conferred that office on John III, and his successors to the crown of Portugal. This Order is now under the same regulations and enjoys the same privileges as the Order of Calatrava does in Spain. By the statutes the Knights of this Order should prove the nobility of their descent for sour generations, but it often happens that very mean persons

get this honor without exhibiting any proofs of this kind. The badge of this Order is a cross pattée, Red, charged with a cross white worn on ordinary occasions pendent to a broad scarlet ribbon round the neck, and on days of ceremony to a collar composed of three chains of gold. See plate 53.

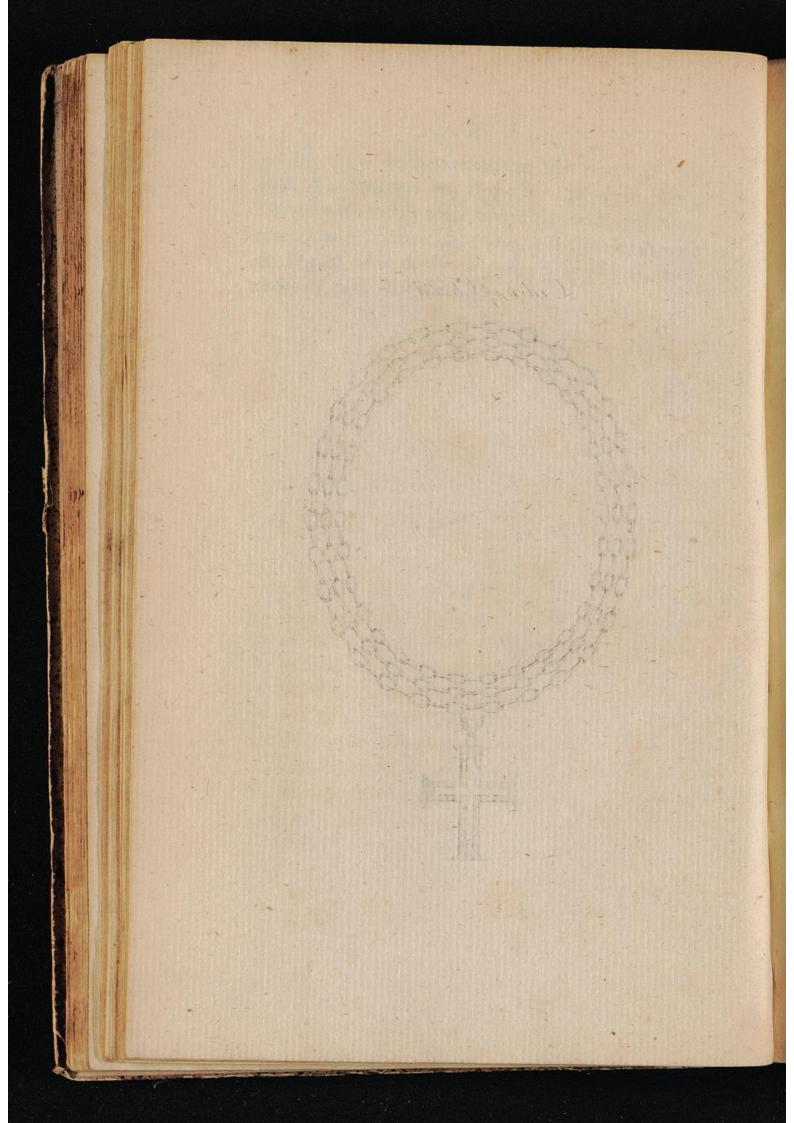
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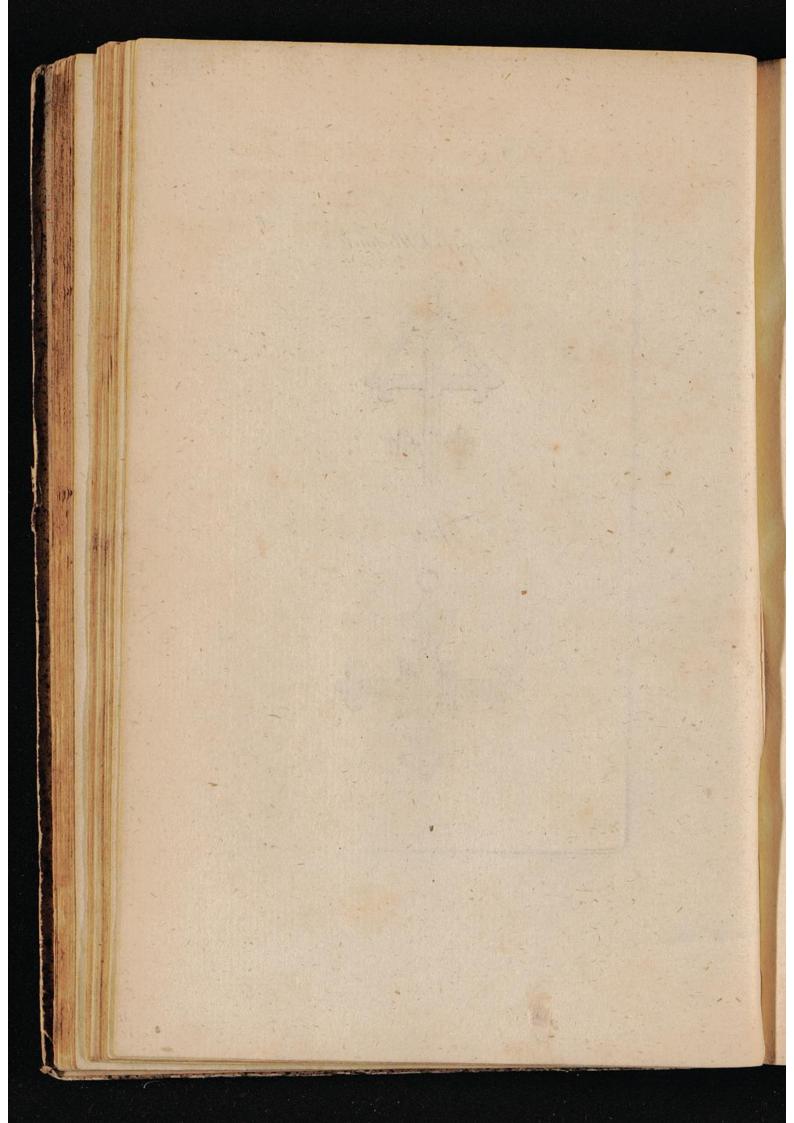
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THIS Order was first instituted by Alphonso Henriquez King of Portugal in the year 1147, on the sooting of a Military and Religious Order, on occasion of his taking the city of Evora from the Moors. It continued independent until the year 1213, when it came to acknowledge its subjection to the Order of Calatrava then under the Grand Master Don Roderigo Garzes De Assa, and it remained in this state of Vassalage until the time of its seventh Grand Master Don John of Portugal, who on deposing his brothers and seizing the crown threw off all subjection to the Order of Cala-

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trava. The badge of the Order of Avis is a cross flory enamelled Green, and between each angle a Fleur-de-lis Gold; it is worn pendent to a green ribbon round the neck. See plate 54.

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ST. JAMES IN PORTUGAL.

of Portugal in the year 1310, in honour of St. James, under whose protection he became victorious in many battles against the Moors, and at length quieted his kingdom by the assistance of these Knights. This Order slourished through the great privileges the sounder bestowed, and the approbation of Pope Nicholas IV. and others his successors. The Knights profess chastity, hospitality, and obedience; and none are admitted till they make proof of their gentility by blood. Their ensign is a red sword, like that of St. James of Galicia; the habit white, and the only difference between them Vol. II.

lies in a twist of gold, which these of Portugal draw about their sword. At Alcazar de Sal was their principal convent, which they afterwards removed to Dalmela, were it yet continues. Their statutes, &c. are much the same with those of St. James in Galicia, where upon some erroneously have consounded them.

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