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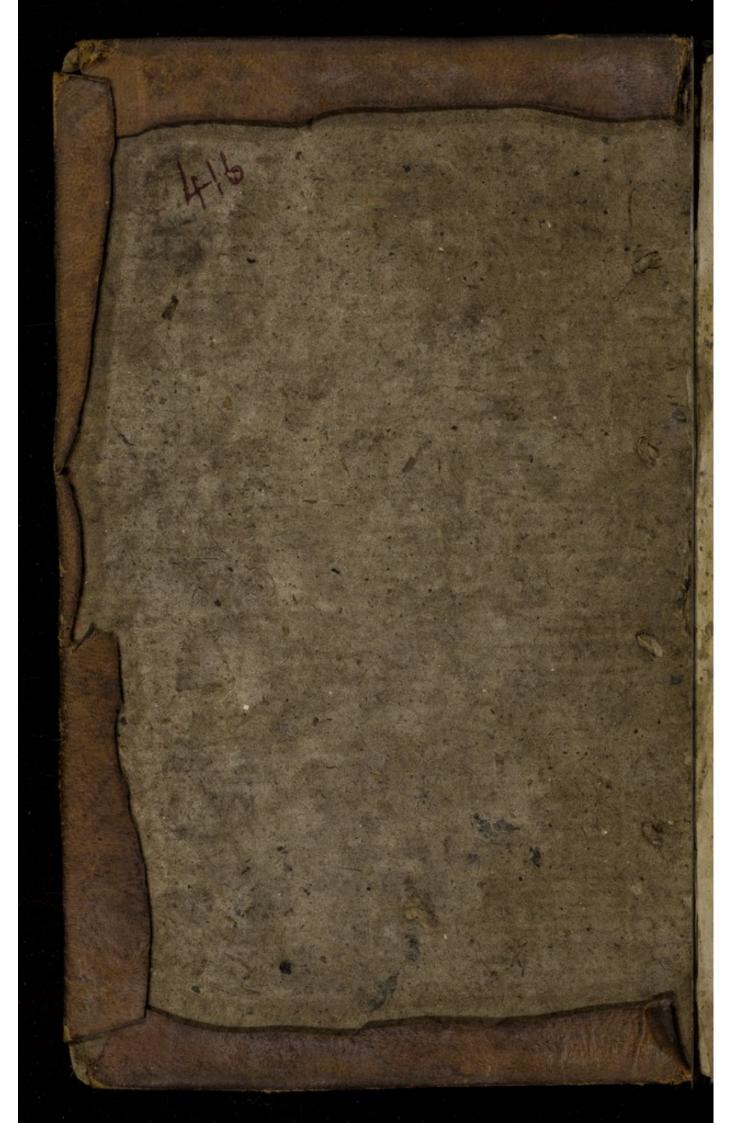
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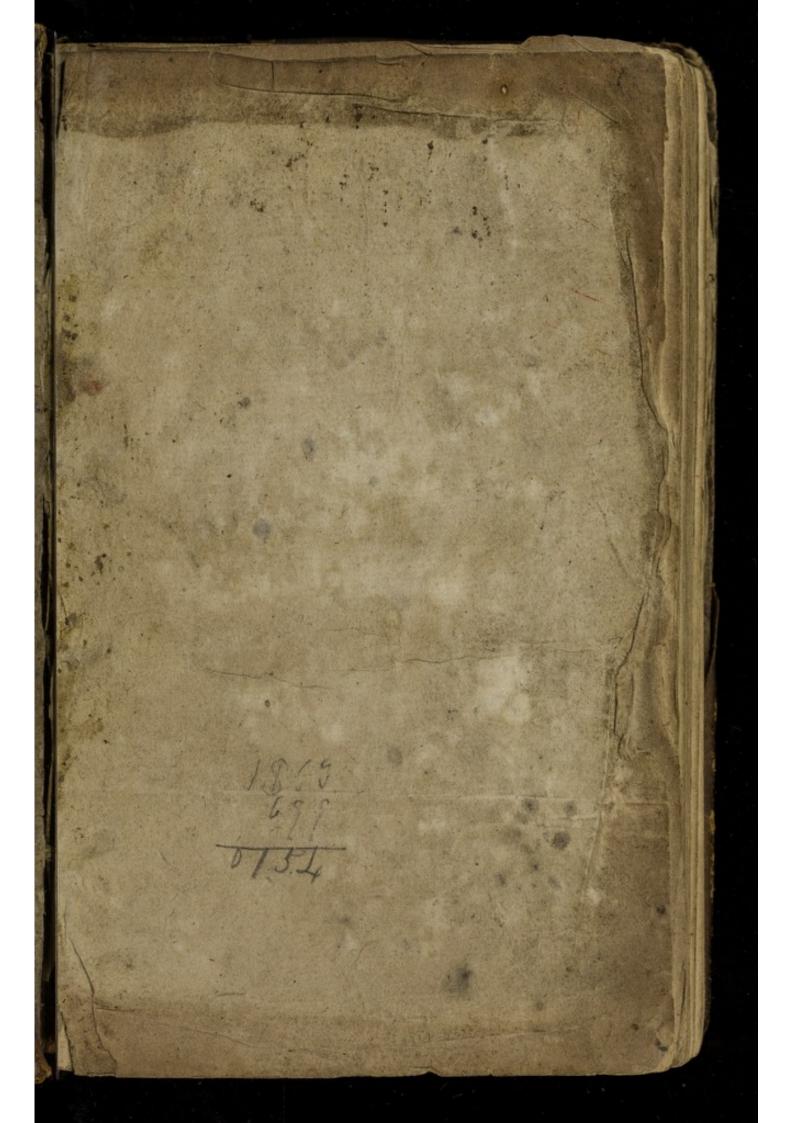
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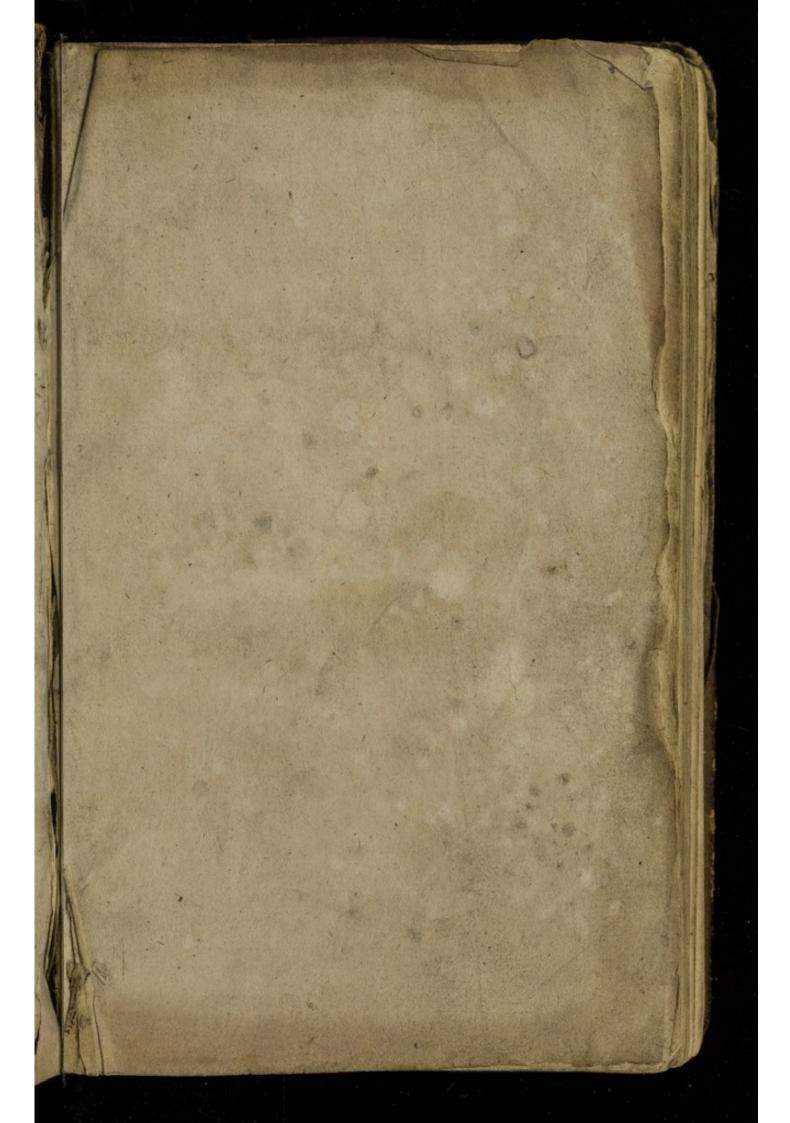
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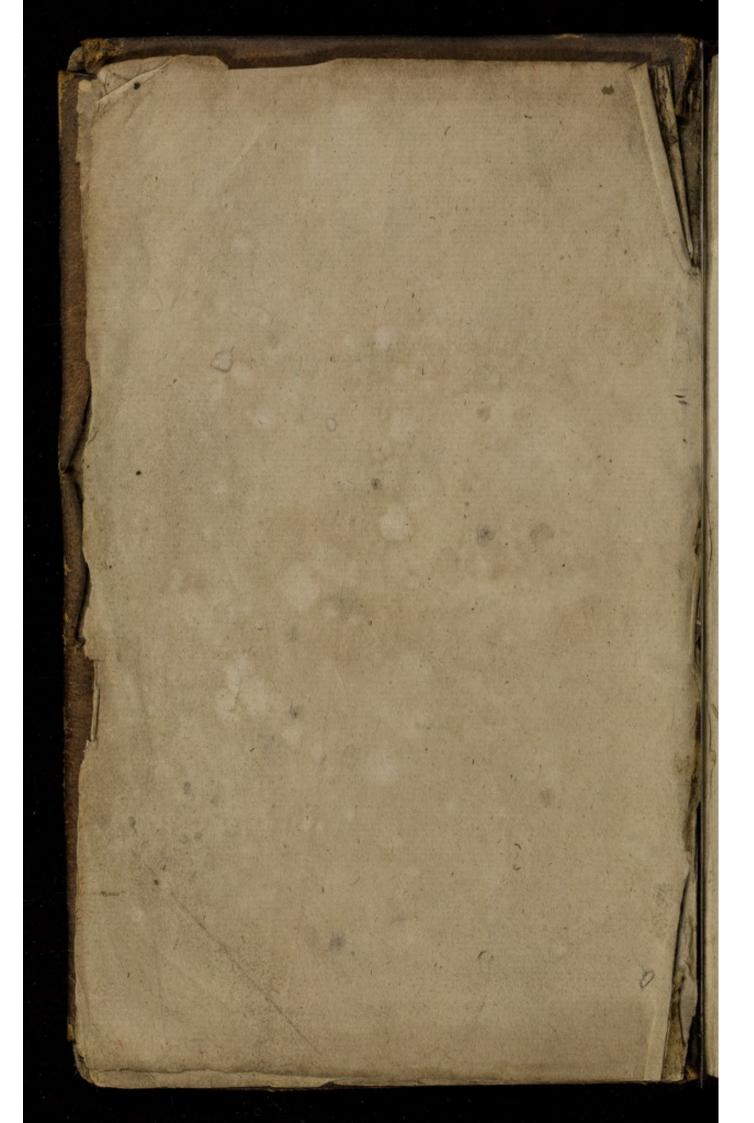






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## OBSERVATIONS,

REMARKS

AND

# MAXIMS,

# Charles V.

Late Duke of

LORRAIN,

General of the

Emperor's Forces.

From a Manuscript left by him, and never Printed before.

Fustum bellum quibus necessarium, & pia arma quibus nulla nisi in armis relinquitur Spes.

Tit. Liv. bift. 1.9.

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# TO THE Right Honourable ARNOLD JUSTE,

Earl of Albemarle,

Viscount of Berry, Baron of Keppel and Ashford, Master of his Majetty's Wardrobe, General of the Swiffers, and Major General of the Horse in the Service of the States General of the United Provinces.

My Lord,

fons of Princes, but the greatest Monuments of their Glory, have perished, excepting their good Works, and wise A 2 SaySayings, which Fame hath handed to Posterity from one Age to another.

Thus are come to light the Papers of Charles the V. late Duke of Lorrain, General of the Emperor's Forces Writ by him. I, thought it Injustice to confine them amongst my Papers, therefore have adventured to give his Thoughts an English Dress, they were never Printed till now. This Country, where he was a Stranger, is the first Place in which they see light; where having need of a Noble

Noble Protector, I took the Liberty to present your Lordship with the Translation in Manuscript, and thereby had recourse to your Lordship's Favour, that this Illustrious Stranger's Spare-hours might find that shelter and Countenance, which his great Character calls for.

This Prince was so active, that he could never find leisure to be idle, even in his Retirements from Affairs he would have some Subject to imploy himself. It is observable that the noblest Works of A 3 the

the Creation are most Active: Activity was so innate to him, that the Sun might as well stand still, or the Sea cease from its Motion, as this Prince desist from giving himself

Imployment.

You will find, my Lord, that Variety that may divert; they being Miscellanies that give more delight, than a continued Series of Matter. These will be acceptable to many, especially to such who to this day, make his Actions the Subject of their Conversations.

His Notions and Maxims carry Worth in them, fo may deserve your Lordship's Protection, they need no Encomiums. And though some may not have the like Apprehensions of this Prince's Works, yet it may suffice, that he was a Souldier, and that they dropt from the Pen of a Prince.

The Scotch History tells us, That one of their Kings, while confined, did scratch with his Nails the History of our Saviour's Passion on the Wall; which rough Draught being done by Princely A 4 Hands,

Hands, was more preferrable, than what might have been done of that kind by the most celebrated Masters.

He was not only valued for his Illustrious Birth, as being of the best Bloud of Christendom, but reverenced for his great Qualities, for which his Person was had in so great Esteem, and intitled to double Honour; for he was not only born a Prince, but was also an experienced Captain. Such was his Conduct and Perfections, that each were fo many Immortalizers of his Fame; and

and, with the old Hero's, he hath scattered his Trophies in the Fields of Victory, of whom Fame hath mustered Catalogues, and with them he hath filled the World with Applause; so that the Chronicles are so many standing Records to his and their Glory: For the Exploits of War have something of more splendour in them, than those of Peace.

These retired Thoughts, which his Memory hath registred from Observation and Practice, are given to the Publick, as I found them, to change their Form

Form, would have been presumptuous. The Courage, Civility and Humanity, that appeared in the course of his Life, discover themselves here in this Treatife. In his own Country, they need no Protection; his Fame being so celebrated, though his Conceptions are Strangers there. Ashis Person fled for refuge to Germany, so his Works do now to your Lordship for Sanctuary from the ill Usage of a Censorious and inhospitable World; though his Actions are so many Monuments of his Fame, yet they

Protection; which I am the more incouraged to supplicate, in that you will find many Things not unknown to your early Experience. And though Things have daily improved since his Time, yet here are never dying Observations, that will be ever of Use in all Ages.

My Lord.

You are one of those from whom this Age expects great Things; for you did early promise so much, which makes that, the Eyes of all are upon you, who with me wish, that

that Fortune may always finile upon you: That as you have advanced in the Temple of Honour, for you may in Favour with God and our great King, to the Good of the Nation, the Honour of your Ancient and Illustrious Family, and the great Joy of,

My Lord,

Your Lordship's most humble,

and most obedient Servant

Rupert Beck.

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To the Reader.

# READER.

This Work is of that Nature, that generous defires may thereby be ingendered in the Reader. The Subject is Peace and War, Civil and Foreign, with Observations according to the Nature of the Subject. Here are also Maxims drawn from Experience.

Each may here find what is required in their different Stations, from the General to the Com-

#### To the Reader.

Common Souldier, who through a generous Emulation may

raise his Fortune.

Here are Precepts for Peace and War, among st which are several Things, that speak our Prince displeased, and in a complaining Tone of some hard Vsage, which he thought he had received from a Great Monarch, between whom there was some Misunderstanding. Without doing wrong to his Memoirs, I could not omit his Expressions; but some Grains of allowance may be had to the Circumstances he laboured under, having to do with so Potent a Neighbour, That not only our Author, but even

#### To the Reader.

even all Europe bath been alarmed at the great Progress his Arms have made. And to Speak the Truth, Great hath been the Advantage that the House of Francehath had from this their present Monarch's so long Reign; who, to do him justice, were he not a King, yet is he Great in his own Person, and wonderfully qualifyed to sit at the Helm of Empire, being so much Master of the Art of Reigning.

By the Observations that are found here, all Persons, in whatever Province they move in, may find that which will affect them, so as to be fearless in War, happy in Peace

#### To the Reader.

Peace, and to reign in the Hearts of Friends and Enemies: And to be loved, honoured, and feared, so that they may say with M. Aurelius, That where Vertue hath acquired the Love and Affections of the Subjects, that there can be no want of Men or Treasure.

To conclude, the whole here may be seen, how to act in Peace and War, so that in Adversity or Prosperity they may neithr presume, nor deserting

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## CHARLES V.

Late Duke of Lorrain, &c.

Peace is that tranquil, and sedate State, where all things did breath gently, lived quietly, and moved in an harmonious Order; till it was interrupted by Lucifer, when he rebelled against his Maker, and seduced Man; and as he lost Heaven for himself, so he occasioned Man to be turned out of B his

his primitive peaceable Condition, who, by siding with the Seducer, did intail milery on his Posterity, who were made Slaves before they knew what Liberty was.

Thus Adam intail'd on his Posterity, to be exercised with all manner of Evils; so that Happiness seems but a Shadow, an airy, imaginary Nothing, which while we think we grasp, it scapes us. These are the sad Effects of inherent Corruption, from whence came all the Diffensions private, and publick, that justle out Peace at Home, and Abroad, with God, and with Man; fo that never any Country could boaft of being exempted from this fad Fare, but sooner or later hath had the turn of the Wheel from Peace to War, which by intervals have succeeded each other

other: This is the Subject on which I will make some Reflections in their Order. And first

### Of Peace.

7 Hich is one of the Sovereign Bleffings of this Life, as being the Treasury of temporal Felicities, and is as Youth to Age, Light to Darkness, and as Health is in opposition to Sickness: It is the Heavenly Bleffing, and was our Saviour's last Legacy, my Peace I give unto you. The Angels could not find a better Wish for Mankind in their Anthem to the Shepheards, than that of Peace, which is the Calm in opposition to Tempest, and order to Confusion, and is the Summer that makes

makes every thing Florish. This Sovereign Bleffing, where it is extended, spreadeth its Wings not only over particular Persons, but even whole Nations are Influenced so by it, that their Rivers Flow with Milk and Honey; and through its bonds of Concord, and Union, People and Countries are kept and linked together in Amity; and every thing where it Reigns is thereby increased so, that each may injoy themselves, and their Families under the Shadow of their own Vine, and Reap the benefit of their Labours, and so Live on the Fatness of the Earth, by which they are Nourished and Maintained; whereas War is the Consumer and Destroyer of all. Peace is so Valuable, that Triumphs are not to be compared to it, which though

it were an unjust one, yet is it more desirable than a just War; so that they who have two Dwellings, would part with one to procure it, that thereby they may Live in quiet. This Peace is a Bleffing never valued till gone: It is like harmony in Mufick, the Disturbers of which, ought to be Cut off as Enemies to Mankind, and numbered amongst the Wicked, whose Death is the safety of the Good. No Treasure can be better imployed than for its Preservation; fuch only defire not Peace, that would profit by Fishing in troubled Waters: It makes small things increase, when by discord Men are hurried and precipitated to the greatest Destruction.

They deserve Censure that involve themselves in an uncertain War in expectation of an uncer-

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tain Good; by changing Peace for War, in expectation of a common Good, they expose to Mifery all that are Imbarked in it with them. This is turning our backs against our own Happiness, and opening a Door to Destruction. But such is Man's unhappy transitory State, that there is nothing so desirable but time may find a cause to dislike it; nor is any so in Health, nor fo Strong, but they may expect a change: There is not fuch a preservative in Nature that can banish Corruption, but it will grow in the Body politick as well as in the Humane; so that one Hour hath sometimes produced great alterations: Therefore as the one hath its Prescriptions for Health, fo hath the other its Preservative which is Religion; wherefore it is here recommended, as the best bottombottom, to establish the Health and Peace of the Commonweale; for where Religion does Reign, there good Government and Peace is likliest to Florish.

Though there be no fence against Vicissitudes, yet a wellconstituted. Government may conduce much to prevent alterations, whether in respect of its

litary State. All which have a natural Dependence on each other; and though Religion be out of the Province of a Soldier, yet shall I adventure to Speak my Thoughts of its use, as being so necessary an ingredient to obtain the desired End, viz. good Government.

Religion is the foundation of a Commonwealth, without which, a Government cannot Subsist, but will fall to Decay; there can

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be no surer sign of its Ruine, than when it is Contemned: It is the true and well-tempered Cement that links, unites and binds together, and ought to be the first thing that should be imbibed by Men. Without Religion, there can be no settled Government Established, which may sufficiently evidence its Ne-

ceffity.

Therefore those that intend to be obeyed, must before all things prefer the settling Religion in their Country, as being that which hath the greatest influence upon the Spirits of the People to charm them to Submission; It is a holy Policy to make Men stoop to the Magistrates, and is the Bridle, and a Restriction even to Heathens, who are more Zealous Observers of their Laws, and more obedient, which

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may shame Christian Rulers as well as People. It may not be a Digression to observe here, That though a Prince may diffent in matters of Religion from his Sujects, yet Prudence requireth of him, for his and their interest, to suffer the Religion of the Country; for Mens Conscience are gently to be let, not driven and imposed on. The little Foxes that spoil the Vineyard are to be taken, not deftroyed, Arguments, and good Examples are better Nets to take the Multitude, than Fire and Faggots; the imposing on Mens Consciences is a sort of Tyranny, and a vain attempting to scale Heaven by wordly Ladders. But where a Prince is bigotted by his Levites, he is carried away even to the eclipfing and unmanning of his Person, by whose In-

Instigations he becomes a Tyrant over Consciences, and is an Usurper of God's Prerogative, who will only Reign there. A Prince ought not to be possessed with the Spirit of Persecution, as being not at all becoming his Character: For there is no Religion that hath not those that would not Sacrifice their all in testimony of the Truth, of what they profess; and though they differ, yet they all agree in this, that their Scope and ultimate End is Heaven; neither is it material whether we go one way, or the other, so we get but thither. To shew a Traveller the best and safest way to his Journey's end, is not to use Compulsion or Blows; but with Humanity and Gentleness, and by well-wishing Motives, shewing the advantages of the one, and the

the dangers, and inconveniences of the other, and rest there, without being fo anxiously concerned that any particular Sentiments be followed above the rest. Also it may be an inducement to confider, That the Toleration of Religion is a great benefit to trading Countries. If you disturb the Bees, they will leave of carrying in Wax and Honey, and betake themselves to another Place, where they may do it with more fafety. Thus, as by not fuffering Liberty, many florishing Countries have been Impoverished and Depopulated; so, on the other hand, Liberty is the Inricher and Incourager of Nations, and the Increaser of Wealth, and number of People, in which consists a Prince's Riches, as well as Safety.

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And to speak as a Man of the World unacquainted with tender Sentiments for Piety that Duty requires, who beholds all Religions a like, and looks upon them to be no more than a jolly Invention, contrived to muzzle the Subjects, and keep them in Awe, yet ought he not to flight those sacred Artifices, though his Conscience may not move, yet let Policy induce him. For it is a Prince's Worldly, as well as Spiritual interest to be moderete in injoyning his Sentiments in matters of Religion; and if he thinks that Religion is prejudicial to his Prerogative, yet let him at least retain the shadow of it, and consider that external Holiness procures awful Regards, and that it is both an inward and outward Charmer. Therefore let a Countrey always have

have such Spiritual Leaders as are true, and not pretended Chaplains to the Prince of Peace, such Torches as are saving Lights, not Firebrands, whose Tempers are mild and soft, and whose Breathings are pacificatory.

A good Government is a good foundation for Peace, which is likeliest to florish, where Reason and Religion Reigns; it requires no less Prudence to preserve Peace, than Valour to obtain it. That Countrey is liklieft to be best preserved, where the Prince knows how to Govern, and the People to Obey: That place is Happiest where the Subject feareth to offend, without which restraint, Commonwealths would prove but so many unweildly ungovernable Bodies. In order to a well constituted State, two things are requir'd, vizamonni bloom ReRewards and Punishments.

7 Ithout a due Distribution of which, according to the Merit or Demerits of the Persons concerned, Virtue will flag, and Vice predominate. That Prince who Rewads nothing, Purchases nothing: Where Valour and Merit meets not with due incouragements, Men will be unwilling to attempt notwithstanding all their Courage; for it is certain, that Benefits well bestowed establish a Kingdom, when Services unrewarded unhinge it: For as Wisdom and Courage begets admiration in a Prince, fo Veracity, Courtesie, and Liberality do stir up and awaken the Subjects Affections.

Also Princes and Magistrates should incourage noble Actions,

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Arts and Inventions, and promote Trade, as being the true means to inrich the People. Thus the Princes and Subjects Interest should be the same, without by respects; the Princes good being the Peoples, and the Peoples the Princes.

He Reigns best that Reigns as he ought, and though placed aloft in the feat of Soveraignity, yet should he condescend, and take cognizance, and look down on the Humble and Oppressed; the redressing whose Grievances is as much his Honour as Safety. His Ear should be always open to the Cries of Complainants, to deliver them from the rapine of Oppressors, and his Heart full of Compassion; lending one Hand to support, and the other to avenge their Injuries. It is a most unhapy thing for a Prince, when the

the People are always upon the complaining Key; he must needs be in a perpetual Anxiety and Fear, and constantly upon the Tenters, feeking ways to fecure himself. For God hath been so Merciful to Mankind, that nothing is safe for a Prince, but what is Honest and Just; whose Security depends on his good Government, by which means Glory is acquired, and his worldly Interest secured: When on the contrary, from Evil conduct accrue Disgrace and Shame, and thereby all is exposed to Ruine. It is very justly, that good or evil Managements are attributed to the Prince; he being the Soul to the Body, from whom the rest of the Members receive Light and Vigour, or as the Spring that gives Motions to the rest of the Work.

In order to Reign Peaceably and Honourably, with security to both Prince and People; there must be a strict Hand of Justice Maintained: For where that is Obstructed there necessarily follows a depravation of Manners, and a justling out of Faith, Honour and Morality; by which a Door is opened to Licentiousness; to prevent which Trajanus's Example is a great expedient, who would make choice of none to fit at the Helm, but the Wife, Prudent and Good; nor would he place in Military Imployments any, but fuch as were experienced, and of known Courage and Conduct: Even his Courtiers had the Character of being Modest, Debonair and Courteous.

But it is too Common to have fuch put in Places of Trust as are Unfit;

Unfit; the Observation of which caused Caligula to propose the making his Horse Burgermaster of Rome; alledging, That so beautiful a Beast might as well become that Station, as some of those placed there; and would be a less detriment to the Publick, whose Faults they need not fear would hurt the Citizens. A modest Reproof, and an Advertisement for time to come, to make choice of more fit Instruments, than that of Men that act like Beasts. Experience hath shewn in all Ages, how fatal the Choice of unfit Instruments hath been to the common Good, of which the Avarice of those that have had the disposal of Places was the occasion: For as they have purchased at a dear Rate, and came in without confideration of perfonal Merit; fo they sell Offices by retail: Thus Money

Money is the Qualification, and the greatest Ignorants may thus be preferred before Men of defert: But great Good accrues to that Government where useful Instruments are chosen, whose Business shall be to promote the publick Good, in opposition to Flatterers; such who are unbyaffed, whose Fidelity neither promises, nor Threats can unhinge. But where those Caterpillers, called Flatterers, bear fway, no Good can be expected; much better it is to fall amongst ravenous Birds, than into the Clutches of such. Harpies: It may be said of some, as it was said of Casar, that he govern'd the World, but that Fostina govern'd him; so Flatterers, when they have gained an' ascendant over the Prince, that though he governs the l'eople, yet they over-rule him. It was C 2 Pope

Pope Pius II.'s complaint on his Death-bed, when his Sycophants gave him hopes of Recovery, that the misery that attended Princes was great, fince they could not hear Truth from those about them, though at a time when the Knowledge of it was most useful. These flattering Hypocrites are the Plagues of Princes Courts, and with Justice deserve the Epithet, as having no Religion but Self-interest, and worship for God their Mammon, to whom they are more faithful than to their Soveraign. It is to that Idol, and to Greatness, that they pay Adoration, nor will they Know any other Deity, but they make them their ultimate End. How do Princes hereby make themselves contemptible? And are expos'd to the censure of being pufillanimous for being thus led

at pleasure; which speaks their want of Courage as well as a Desiciency of other Regal and Princely Qualifications; which occasions that Remisses, and Lenity by which they are exposed to be cheated: It is also an inlet to Irregularities, that gives an occasion to think as if they feared to do Justice, lest they offend thereby their Parasites; thus not only the injured Subject suffers, but also the Prince in the Opinion of his Subjects.

It is also very essential to the Preservation of the Peace, and Prosperity of a People, that Princes be their example of good, as being their Looking-glass, whose Examples are Precepts, whether good or evil; which work more upon the Vulgar than National Laws. Therefore they should be

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bright and shining Lights, to lead the way to Virtue; the same should be all those they intrust with Power, without which they will be but so many Ignes fatui, that lead the Ignorant a-stray; where Virtue is not the Standard, there Common-wealths are made the feat of Vice, which might have been the stage of Virtue.

It is the Stay of a Commonwealth, that the Magistate knows to use his Authority; for the Eves of each are on him as a publick Dial that regulates adjacent Clocks; so Subjects steer their Actions according to their Morals; and though there may be Reasons for repealing and changing Laws, yet while they stand in force, they should not be suffered to be broken, that it give not occasion to have them contemned; and so become of

no more effect, than so many Scare-crows with which those Birds, whom they should banish, become familiar even to pearch upon the Head of what before was their terror; having by experience learned, That they are no more than toothless Bugbears. It is not sufficient to have wholesome Laws, but they must be put in practice to restrain the Disorderly. For there are a fort of restless Men never satisfyed, no not even with their own Choice, fuch who like the Rainbow always oppose the Sun Be the Government what it will, they are for contradiction still, aspiring after what they enjoy not. These are the eternal Exclaimers against all reigning Establishments, and are the Diseases in aCommon-wealth, which, as gangrened Members, ought to be C4

be removed, or cut off for the good of the Body. They are the Vermine, Excrements, and Nufances, of whom Nature should discharge itself as of a common grievance; following the prefident of that Prince who, would have that Horse killed, whose fiery Temper gave disquiet to his Camerades. With more Reason, factious Men ought to be examplarily punished, as being the more dangerous fort of Brutes, whose restless Tempers would be of worse consequence were they suffered to take Root, therefore should be early mowed down, or nipt in their Bud: Or at least their Sting should be taken from them, that their Poyfon may not swell that Part they would affect. Lenity in a Prince on fuch Occasions, may be of ill consequence to the Publick; and

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as Tyranny may be fatal, so may Lenity be the ruin of a Government: And though a Prince may not find it necessary to see, nor hear all he may fee, or hear, and that Prudence will, that he difsemble the Knowledge of many Things; yet there is a time that Justice must take Place, That evil may be restrained, but so as to prevent Despair; lest the Exasperated finding all hopes excluded should awaken Revenge to the desperately overturning all before them: For as Oppression weakens the Government, fo that Prince loses his Reputation, when he retaineth no more of the Regal Qualities than the name; and pomp of State, that outward appearence gives him. Where a Prince is loved, feared and obeyed, there the Government thriveth and Florishes; for in Union

consists the Strenght of the Body Politick, who as our Bodies are composed of several Parts. each having assigned them their different Offices for the good of the Whole, to which order they all submit and agree; so that if one Part or Member is offended, the other participates, and are not angry at each others Acts: But if a foreign Power wound an Eye, tread on a Toe, or hurt a Finger, the whole Body shall be affected so, as to discover each their Resentments. How will the Eye shew its anger, the Nose shrink, the Mouth exclaim, and the Hands fly to the affiftance of the grieved Part? The Feet, even the whole Body, according to the danger, take the alarm. Thus each Part sympathises, in the common Good or Evil that relate to the whole: Thus each one should

should be concerned for the common Good of that Republick of which they are Members. It is observable, That amongst irrational Creatures, there is not found that discord as amongst Men; they do not devour and destroy those of their own kind, in which Men are worse than the worst of Brutes; for they tear and devour each other, in which their Shame they glory.

For the promoting this Union, the Prince should be circumspect, patient, and quick in dispatches, shewing his Power and Justice to some, and his Humanity and lenity to others, and not sty out when Things answer not the proposed Ends, but to be armed against Disappointments: For no Ship, though steered by a skillful Pilot, will in bad Weather always answer the Helm.

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Therefore fince every Countrey hath its mixtures of good and bad, fuch Caution ought to be taken, as to connive at what cannot be helped; and feem not to fee, when feeing may eclipfe Authority if not exercised. It was our Saviour's Advice in the parable, That the Tares should not be rooted out, lest it indamaged the Wheat. Therefore Prudence would rather yield to Fate, and shut the Eye and Ear, and bend rather than hazard breaking. The Emblem of Hercules his boisterous managing the Rudder till it broke, may be of use to shew how the Steersman may spoil the Ship's failing for the want of a prudent compliance; and yielding to the circumstances of times, is the interest both of Prince and People. Machiavel tells us, That he who cannot difdiffemble knows not how to reign; not that Infincerity and Hypocrify is proposed to be the Standard for the Prince to walk by: But here is intended fuch a Compliance only as may confift with Honour, and the Peoples Interest. There is an honourable Condescension, or yielding, till a fitter Opportunity may offer it felf. Princes sometimes deal with their Subjects as with Children, whose weaknesses are born with, till can be got from them that hurtful Play-thing, they so passionately cry after.

Neither should a Prince heap riches to the unease of his People; let them shear, but not flea their Sheep. Where is the Honour to have beggerly Subjects? As he is the Head of the Body, he ought to have a Regard, that they that represent his Authority, do

not abuse it by wounding the Feet; for when they are infeebled what shall support the whole? To prevent which, Covetousness is to be discouraged; for a Prince is never fo rich as when he hath his Peoples Hearts, then he needs not question their Purses. The publick Interest is to have none placed in Authority, but fuch as are deserving; none should be impowered for favour nor affection; and when the Prince hath made a fit choice, they should have due incouragements to answer the Character they bear in the Government; That to support their Grandeur, want may not tempt to take Bribes. But where Virtue is found, there suitable Rewards ought to be given according to the Character born; that the Salary and liberality may be spurs to Virtue, as their Princes fa-

favours are incouragements: There is no greater balk to Emulators, than to see Recompenses wrong placed on the Heads of the Undeserving: It is a great incouragement when a Prince shall of himself make Observations of the fidelity of his Subjects. To accumulate riches on the Rich, because they are such, is like carrying Water to the Rhine, or Gold to Peru. But Wisdom will direct when and where to place Favours proportionable to the Character of the giver and Perfon to whom the Largess is made, that exceptions may not be taken that merit was not recompensed, and that regard was rather had to Favour, and By-respects, than to Desert; which is not only a shame to the giver, but a Discouragement to fuch that have deserved well. Thus regard is

to be had both how, and to whom, as well as what, gifts are disposed of: For such may liberalities be, That the giver may be impoverished, and instead of gaining Friends may draw upon himself Enmity; so that even those to whom he hath been liberal to fave their Stakes may join with Exclaimers, and turn to ridicule that bounty shewn them; and that Gift they called liberality, when they received it, shall with the common Vogue be styled a profuse wasting that Treasure, that might have been preserved for better purposes: Such lavishings merit rather the Name of Squanderings than Liberalities, and in a Prince, as condemnable as Covetouiness: But where liberality is guided with prudence, it redounds to the benefit of both Prince and People.

It is also conducible to the publick wellfare that proper Instruments for council be chosen, fuch as are wife and faithful, in whom Covetousness doth not predominate; for where that reigns no good can be expected, as being the Gangrene of the mind, that eateth out Love, Duty, and Honour; therefore should have no more a Place at the Helm than Pride, or Envy: Also such ought to be removed as shall not from a peak and spite, in oppofition to an others sense, seek out Reasons to overthrow the best advice given, and that because it was not first proposed by themselves. Where there is passion there is bandying, and clashing with Words; and no good fuccess can be expected from these, no more than from those that can not see, but with such Spectacles

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as are handed to them at the Board by some leading Oracle, without further weighing matters; being wholly Byaffed by the Opinion they conceive of their Friends Parts, though many times the wifest may not always be in the right. There are also some that see no farther than that Counsel they take upon trust: These are Ecchos, while others are for fetching Reasons a far off, in order to the effecting what is proposed, overlooking more easy methods at hand. These know not how to approve any thing, that carrieth not some thing of extraordinary in it. But none are more dangerous at the Councill Board than these that waite to catch at the Prince's Sense, which they are fure right or wrong to approve, and make his Thoughts Theirs. These Flat-

Flatterers are not sufferable in that station where none but the unbiassed and sincere should take Place, and not Sycophants. But there are few Princes whose Courts swarm not whith these; also who have not their particular Achitophels, yet will not believe they are so influenced. But a too over-weeing Opinion of any, how acute soever, may befatal. But there are others so opinionative of their own Sense, that they will call a Council only for fomality fake; though at the same time they resolve to take no Measures, but what their own Judgement dictates: Methinks I hear fuch fay, with Xerxes, I called you that I might not feem to follow my own Advice, but it is rather to injoin your obedience than ask Counsel. There are also some that, with St. Peter, after the act

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is over, are for confulting, and with him crying out, Shall 1 dram? When before he had cut of Malchus's Ear, but none are so wise but may need advice; for in the multitude of Counsellers there is safety. For Strength, Riches, and Diligence do not always succeed, but it is by Counfel, and Prudence, that great things are compassed. Such Persons therefore should be made use of, as are skilled in the Nature and Distemper of the Body Politick; fuch that like true Phyficians of State may prevent Weeds from taking root, that the publick Peace be not destroyed; such as can foresee State-Diseases by their Symptoms, before they become incurable otherwise than by violent Remedies. Such as are of Frederic the Third's Stamp and Approbation, who

who valued those Counsellors most, that feared God more than himself, who had for end, the Peace and Welfare of his Empire. There is no greater fafety for a Prince, than to have the Government stored with such: Then will he be obeyed, and Peace secured; which Peace, how desirable in it felf soever it may be; yet it hath attending it Pride, Idleness, and Danger: For under a long Peace, Princes and Subjects become secure, and Effeminacy, Luft, and Prodigality creep in, so that even the most disciplined Armies lying still may degenerate, and like the best of Horses pampered; and through want of exercise, do loose their good Qualities. Nothing contributes to ruin a Nation, like Lust, and Pleasure: When Princes grow potent under

der a long Peace, they usually confide in their Strength, and are tempted to unjust Enterprises, whose sinister Effects fail not to

follow fooner, or later.

Thus far of Peace, how it may be kept at home against the Snakes of their own Bosom, which may prevent War from abroad; yet something may be spoken in particular of Peace, as it relates to neighbouring Princes.

He that will live in Peace with his powerfull Neighbours especially, must suffer, and not take every thing in the worst Sense; but give a grateful Twine to that, which at another Time, and under other Circumstances, might be called an Injury; therefore all Occasions of Contentions are cautiously to be avoided. Also he that will injoy Peace with his Neighbours, must always be

prepared for War: The Hedgehog is ever armed against his Enemies, and there are sew Animals that carry not their offensive and defensive weapon about them: As the Ox his Horn, the Bear his Tooth, and the Lion his Paw.

The prudent Prince will lay up Treasures against the time of need, by fuch infensible Methods, that the People be not oppressed, and that occasion of Discontent be not given, and that what shall be accumulated, be not wasted by worthless Persons, nor misimployed in fruitless, and unprofitable Contrivances; but regard is to be had, that all Opportunities be improved: Loose no time, was great Cæsar's Motto, for delays are dangerous; and as Health, and fair Weather, are fucceeded by Sickness and Storms;

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fo War succeeds Peace. Solomon tells us, of a time for every I hing; therefore when Peace gives leifure, store your Magazines with warlike Munitions, that nothing be wanting upon a Surprise. It is the Security of a State, always to have an Eye on War, in time of Peace. Keep therefore a Nursery of Officers of Known personal Merit: It is the unhappy Fate of many deferving, to be laid aside in Peace, as if never more to be needed; and like Stoves in Summer, are not regarded. But though the Sun shines now, yet stormy Weather is to be expected, and a regard ought to be had to past Deserts. Also an Inspection ought to be made into the Condition of the standing Forces, that there be no imposing false Musters: A minute Account should be had of them, as alfo

also of the Stores, and that from time to time aview be made, also tryals, and draughts should be frequent, the better to know what is to be relied on. Thus to preserve Peace at home and abroad, is to be always ready, and by the help of able Ministers, Inconveniences may be forfeen, and approaching Dangers prevented, by administering Sutable Remediesanswera-

ble to the present Pressures

Also in peaceable Times to fortify Places, may secure the Countrey from Wars at home and abroad; the Reputation of being armed, may prevent both. It is strange how Men are diffident of God, yet dare confide in finful Men; and by a Remifness in that kind, give Opportunities to their Countries Ruin. It is the simplicity of the Lamb, or Goose, that lets them fall into

the Wolf and Fox's Paws. The Tortoise, diffident of a foreign Shelter, carryeth her House, by Sea and Land, wherein she places her fasety. It is not in our Days as in Noah's, Ark where Menand Beafts could fociably Live and trust each other; he that never trusts, stands on a Guard, and is not easily deceived. It is observable, That Peace lasts no longer than it consists with the Aspirers Interest. There are some restless Spirits that will not be quiet till beaten into good Manners, to the unease of their unhappy Subjects. But we must not only consider Peace as along injoyed Rest, where there hath been for many Years no Hostilities, but as it immediately succeeds War; and shew, how after both sides are wearied by War, the usual Methods of procuring it, are by the project of Treaties.

Of Treaties, and Negotiations of Peace.

O manage which, fuch proper Instruments are to be chosen, such as are well acquainted with their Neighbours Interest as well as their own; and also with the Genius of those they have to treat with. If it be a powerful State that holds the Rod over you, then a Confederacy of neighbouring Princes is necessary to prevent being fwallowed up a prey to Ambition. There are some Ministers fo well versed in politick Strokes, and Conter-pates to know how to turn and wind matters, that they shall gain more by Treaties, than Conquerors shall effect by Feats of Arms. Many times disprispo os amonislium A ... Peace,

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By-ends; of these blinds; the prudent Plenipotentiary is watchful, lest instead of a Cordial, he meet with a purgative Potion. All Stateengines ought to be considered, as so many Buyers of Wares, who to compass their desired Commodities, feldom speak as they think; but this our Statesman, being acquainted with the Interest of each Power, and the Politicks by which they steer their course, will know how to turn the Mill that way, that may best answer that Quarter the Wind sits in. Lesser Potentates should Act with potent Neighbours circumspectly, especially when they have to do with fuch whose Maxims are, That their Princes ought not to be Slaves to their Word; and that Truth and Sincerity are but yulgar Vertues: It is those that are to be suspected, let their manner of acting

appear never so frank and oepn: For such can steer their course by all Winds, and will scruple at no means, how illegitimate foever, to compass their Designs of crushing others, and clothing themselves with their Dominions. These are they, whose Ambition hath no Bounds, but what necessity compels them too; against whom, as Common Enemies to Property, all adjacent Potentates should arm and unite, to support each others Interest. Nothing can be more uneasy, than when a Prince, or State, is placed between two Emulators for Empire; to carry even betwixt them. and to give jealousy to neither, is a hard Game to play; and those so concerned run a Hazard of being ground in pieces between fuch Rocks. It is therefore requisite to be always in good Intel-

Intelligence with those they may have occasion to use as Confederates, or Mediators, that the power of over-growing Greatness may be balanced; that they may not, after the example of greater Fishes, devour the lesser fry of States, that lie in their way; which, if fuffered, may be of ill consequence to such, as stand by as Spectators'; lest their turn be next to put on that Yoke they fuffer their Neighbours to be yoked with. It is furely the common Interest of Princes, to be jealous of Incroachers and Incroachments; being evil Presidents that in time may affect themselves as well as their Neighbours, who by stopping that current they serve themselves. If two Powers, Emulators for Empire, should jar and justle each other; then it is the common Interest to let

let them clash and contend to their weakening, provided standing Spectators lay not a Foundation for future Breaches. Such furely was the referved Policy of Innocent X, when defired to mediate a Peace betwixt two Contenders for Empire, gave Cardinal Panzirolo to remark out of his Window, two Porters fighting, whom he would not suffer to be parted till they thought fit to leave off themselves; saying, Thus will the contending Princes do, when wearied, they will leave off without a Mediator.

Amongst the many Cautions to those that treat, something might be said of the Interest of such lesser States as have contests with Neighbours of their own Rank, who ought to avoid janglings, so as their Differences arise

arise not to an open Rupture. Some proper Mediator therefore ought to be found, to accommodate Differences; so as the Honour of each may be preferved: For if the Contest arise to Hostility, it may prove of fatal consequence to both, and give occasion for a predominant Power to profit by the Difference, and annex them both to his Dominions; and serve them as the Bird of prey in the Fable did the Frog and Mouse, who seized of both. Neither should lesser States call a superior to be an Affistant, least he serve himfelf, and not the Proprietor; of which History hath on Record various Examples, of those that made ill use of such Opportunities, and instead of serving the Interest of those that called them as Assistants, they made themfelves ! felves Masters. Therefore it is best to avoid all Occasions of difference, and not be obstinate to wreak a Spite, but to accept of such Terms as may be obtained, and suffer the loss of a part rather than expose the whole.

But there are sometimes such Peaces proposed, that an open War is more desirable, and less to be seared. Neither can Peace sounded on unjust Conditions be long-lived; which are like ill cured wounds that fester and prove the Patients greater Disease.

Neither is a new reconciled Enemy to be trusted, especially if he hath been the Aggressor; for such seldom pardon the Injuries they have done themselves; because they believe they can not be forgiven. Let the Fox cover himself never so artificially with a Lamb's Skin, yet the wary

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will dread him. Neither let any Inducement charm the Sword into its Scabbard, nor perswade to a too early disbanding Forces: That Shepherd deserves Censure, that will hearken to the Wolf to send away his

Dogs.

Having said something of Peace at Home, and of preserving it by necessary Cautions with neighbouring Potentates, and of security by Treaties, the desired hope; and though occasionally something hath been hinted at about making Leagues, yet it may be necessary to make further some addition on the same Subject.

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## Of Leagues.

Lthough Alliances are good yet those are to be pitied that stand in need of them; and should consider with whom Leagues Offensive, and Defenfive are made. Unequal Powers in affinity may be of ill Consequence; for the weaker Lies at the mercy of the stronger, and is tempted to feek redress from another Power capable to protect him: For Confederates have divers Faces; it is their Tails only that are twisted together. When the Sheep become the Lions Associates, their Skins usually pay for it; for between Unequals there can be no equal Confederacy. The Great have great Designs, the Lesser such as are futa-

futable to their differentStations; one gives, the other takes. Difparity makes the unwilling unwillingly condescending, and as with the dividing the Spoil got in hunting, in a common Confederacy of the Beafts, the Lion will claim fo many Parts and pretended Rights, that he will leave his Companions to stand by as Spectators, filently to dispense with their Rights, and fuffer their irremediable Losses, without discovering the least Resentment. For what can be alledged, when the Character of a King, Merit and Prowess is pleaded, and after that of his Will not to be controlled? What can his modest Companions do less than make a Vertue of necesfity, and suffer their Rights to be disposed of, how unjustly soever Ravished from them? Thus the

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powerful profits to the loss of the weaker Competitor. This comes by being tyed to the Interest of a Potent Allye; who instead of a Helper finds a Master, such will know no Partners. Therefore it is of ill consequence for lesser Powers to be reduced to joyn with the Stronger; though it may fut a present occasion. Alliances with fuch Confederates contribute to Augment that Power, that when time ferves. may be made use of, to inslave themselves: For when such Confederates have fecured their ends. what can they expect more than that Fate, that Polyphemus gave Ulysses, of being Devoured the laft?

Another Inconveniency annexed to lesser Powers, when imbarked in League with a more powerful, is that, whenever the

the fame greatness comes to justle, and contend as Competitor with another of equal might; then the lesser by Virtue of the Confederacy, is exposed to all the Streights and Defolations, that attend Hostilities. And if the formidable Power suffers, and bends under the Weight of the Adversaries Arms, what less can be expected, than to be Sunk, and Buried in his Ruins? Therefore a prudent Diffidence is to be had of all Compacts, wherein Safety is Exposed. It is true, that to prevent foreseen Evils, necesfity doth sometimes oblige to Imbrace for Allye a more powerful Party; and when a Prince's Word is once Ingaged; it is confessed, That it is very Disingenuous, not to fay worse, to break Covenants Solemnly Stipulated; but that is not here the Questi-E 4

Question: For as they can not be justified, so shall I not wholly Condemn the Breaking those Leagues, which incroaching Confederates have Necessitated: For there may be fuch Reasons drawn from Self-preservation, and the hard Terms imposed, that though the breach of Oaths can not be justified; yet they may admit of a most favourable Construction: For Oppression and necessity may extort fuch Terms, that the Prince would Sin against his Person and Subjects, should he inviolably keep them, so that though the making them at first was an evil; yet the breaking of them feems a less, than that of their keeping: So that although the breaking sinful Oaths may not be Scrupled; yet the making any Illegitimate ones is to be Condemned; as being

ing that which with Honour and Justice can not be Maintained.

It may be observable, That those with whom Leagues are made, ought to be such, that we may be affured they are Friends, that in diftress will be a reciprocal Help, and not be Biassed by Fear or Lucre. A true Friend, like Blood, springs forth as soon as the Wound is made. observed, That Swine, when they hear their Follows cry, will fly to their assistance in Danger: Therefore the Lion would make no League but with that Herd, that in Necessity is so faithful. Leagues are never so likely to be Religiously observed, as when made with fuch, as are not too much superiour in Power; they are nice Things, and though a Remedy against Danger; yet themselves are a Danger, though pre-

### Of War.

A S Peace vanishes, so War takes Place, each followeth the Heels of the other; as the one sets, the other overspreads the Horizon; and as Darkness succeeds Light, so War succeeds Peace.

Amongst the many infinite perfections God discovered of himself to Man, that of Immutability tability is only peculiar to the Deity; fince no created Beings, how excellent soever in their Nature, but were made liable to change, and left to a possibility of falling from that State in which they were placed. Thus Lucifer from a glorious Angel became a Devil; it is matter of Astonishment, That in Heaven, where he was placed in the highest Orb of Happiness and Peace; that he could not be content, but must rebell against his Maker. It is matter of Wonder, That even Heaven, where the God of Peace reigns, should not be exempt from Rebellion, and since the Fall, it seems, as if Opposition were the very Essence of all created Beings. How are the Elements in Hostility? How doth the Earth quake? The Sea roar? the Air thunder, and the Brutes

Brutes wage War against each other? The Greater devouring the Lesser. And no wonder, That Men are drawn in, having fuch Prompters as the Devil, and their own perverse Natures, that they can not without jarring, live in neither City, nor Neighbourhood. How early did this Enmity shew it self? For, even in the Womb, Jacob and Esau struggled for Mastery, and when born, what fewds were there betwixt these two Twins in their Father's Family? That, not agreeing, they were forced to be separated, till lenghth of Time had worn out their Animolities. Also a Father and Son, David and Absalon; a Kingdom could not contain them, but one must Rival the other for Empire: And which is more, Cain and Abel.

Abel, though they had the World betwixt them; yet was their Difcord Fatal. Thus Satan as from the beginning, so to this Day, he persists in fomenting Dissenfions; setting Man against Man, Family against Family, and Nation against Nation; putting all into Confusion by Broils and Wars; through which Riches are exchanged for Poverty, and Sorrows are introduced in lieu of those Delights that accompany Peace; who as it is the Health of a State, and a Nourisher and Incourager of Arts; so is War its Sickness, and the Discouragement of Ingenuities: For in the midst of Noise and Hurry, none can expect sutable returns of Vertue, where Dissoluteness seems to be let loose, to make way for Pride, Strife and Contentions, and where every one labours to make

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his Neighbour his Prey. Thus where War is, there Misery over-flows, like an impetuous Torrent, carrying away even to the very marks of Prosperity that Peace had formerly left its Inhabitants.

There are two kinds of War, viz. Civil, and Foreign.

Daughter of a bigotted Zeal for a publick Good, and feigned Liberty and Property; it is from intestine Broils that proceeds Irreverence and Disobedience, and through the depravetness of Nature and manners justice, Majesty and Laws are trodden under Foot tomake way for Spoil, and setting up some private Interest; or to wreak some

fome conceived spite: Such are like those Fishers that find advantage by casting their Nets in troubled Waters. Intestine Heats, if not timely quenched, may prove the Destruction of Empires, and are worse than foreign Wars. And as Diseases within the Body, are more to be feared than remoter Griefs; so Civil War is attended with more finifter Effects, than that from Enemies abroad; for where the Bowels of a State are disaffected, there the Father is against his Son, and every Man's Sword against his Fellow; and as a House divided cannot stand; so the Ruin of that State may be expected, where one Member wounds the other, to the Hurt of the Whole. These Wars, called Civil, are the most Uncivil; for then is laid afide all respect

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respect and consideration, with reference to Affinity, Confanguinity or Friendship; for Friend knows not his Friend, nor Relation Relation; neither doth the Son know his Father, nor Servant his Master, no more than the Subject knows his Prince. Thus States and Common-wealths have their Diseases as well as Men. It is the wife Physician's part, to find out its Cause; for when known, the Maladie is half cured: And as Purging and Bleeding is requisite to full Bodies, where Bloud abounds, and ill Humours are grown to a ferment; so Phlebotomy in a State, is necessary when Malecontents are risen up, and become the Disease of the Place, so as to affect the Body Politick. Let the Evil proceed from what cause soever, it matters not; neither

neither is it material from what quarter the Wind Blows, if it indangers the House. Therefore let the Discord proceed from what Cause or Persons soever; whether from a foreign defigning Power or from Poverty, Oppression or Idleness, or from the popularity of some particular indeared One to the People, as Absalom was in his time; all which being so many Rock's or Shelves, the Pilot, who fits at the Helm, ought to steer his Ship so as to avoid the threatened Danger; and though he hath formerly escaped, yet is he not to rest secure; for though every Vapour may not turn to a Storm, yet it is good that the Ship's Tackling be ready to weather the Tempest, that she may be safely steered into the Harbour of Peace.

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Civil War ordinarily hath these following Pretences; as Religion which is of great weight to influence a bigotted Commonalty, an invasion of Properties, . which annexed to the former, will go a great way to unhinge all. Thus if Laws be broken, Privileges infringed, and Subjects oppressed, whether by Taxes, or by the Irregularity of Souldiers. Also when Persons of no merit are impowered, any Thing will ferve malecontents to exclaim and take occasion to gratify their Spite; though the secret Cause of their Inveterateness proceeds from their not being preferred, and that their imaginary Merit is not answered: But whatever the inducements may be, they are but a wild fort of Executors of Justice, who taking pet at the World, will chuse rather to revenge

venge themselves on themselves, than not gratify their Humour; but these hereby involve also the ignorant Commonalty, that like Tinder are subject to take Fire; such, rather than sit still, under those Bounds that Providence hath prescribed them, will run the hazard of their own Destruction.

Also Princes Austerity to their Subjects may be a means to bring on themselves, as well as People, many Evils. The same may be said of private Fewds in great Families, that they are the Forerunners of Tumults in a State; especially when they arise to that height, as to forme themselves into disorderly Assemblies, from such Sparks are often kindled Civil Dissensions. Likewise want of Bread may be an occasion; for nothing makes more F 4 def-

desperate than a Dearth, and the more, if there be no pros-

pect of a Remedy.

The Remedies of Civil War may in some measure be effected; when its Causes are known, then futable ways may be found to appeale the incenfed Ones. If the imperious Humour of the Prince be occasion, then let him change his Conduct; for fuch may be the churlish Austerity of a Master, that his Dogs may be so incensed, as to shew their Teeth, and Snarl, though they may not always Bite: Soft Words, and a debonaire Carriage, cost nothing. Had. Rehoboam practised this Rule, he had not lost Ten Tribes; but if any publick Ministers abuse the Power they are intrusted with, then let them be removed, and made, publick Examples to deter others.

others. Doth penury, and want of Bread, cause Exclaimers, and Hurricanes are thereby raised amongst the People? Then let Monopolisers of Provisions be obliged to bring forth their Stores, and Sell at a regulated Price; for private Interest should give way to the publick Good. In order to which let Husbandry, Mechanicks, and Merchants be incouraged; and fuffer not Money to lodge in a few Hands, but find ways to make it Circulate, lest it be faid, That Want reigns where Riches abound.

Common-wealths are compofed of two forts of People, Nobility and Commonalty, under which general Heads are several Classes of Men. The latter is a great Body, slow of Motion; therefore as a spur to quicken them, the Nobility is necessary;

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not only to excite, but also to steer them in their right Biass, for the Example of the Nobility doth wonderfully influence those more heavy Masses, and by a fort of Sympathy infuses in them new Spirits, and gives Courage to undertake, and execute generous Enterprises: For the Nobility wanting Numbers can not effect, what necessity might require from more numerous Bodies. Thus Nature hath wisely ordered each degree of Men to be necessary to the other. that reciprocally they might be the stay and support of the Body Politick, without which Union it could not subfift.

It is the Wisdom of those that sit at the Helm to use means to keep up that noble Heat, with which the Multitude may be inspired, and not suffer their

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laudable Resolutions to cool; in order to which, hopes of future Recompences are the great Engines of use on all occasions: For let Hopes dye, and you may bid farewell to Successes, and conclude that both will fink together; for Hope is the life of Enterprises, it sets all Wheels on going, even from the crowned Head to the Dunghill; each have their Aims and Ends with which they flatter themselves into an imaginary Happiness, though they never live to fee it compassed. The more of the base

But as hath been before hinted on an other occasion, That as all humane Bodies are subject to vicious Humours, so the Body Politick hath its Diseases and Tumors, which ought to be redressed by a timely prevention: For amongst the Nobility, of

whom more reasonably might be expected fidelity from their Birth and Education, are found those that are drawn away, though they possess the Prince's Favour, or at least injoy his Presence, to which by their Quality they are intitled unto, that one would think might be fufficient to steer them in the right way. But unhappy for them, and also for the Government, where fuch Diforders happen, for these prove the most dangerous Tools of Mischief, and the more, in that their Education hath given them acquired Qualifications by which they are capacitated to be more effectually good, or evil Instruments: But let the Cause of Discontent be what it will however justifyable in the prepossessed Apprehenfions of such disaffected Ones, that

that is not here the subject, but to shew how to quench, and exstinguish those Fire-brands, and

Ring-leaders to mischief.

The first Remedy therefore proposed is, That the discontented Party by fair means be drawn to their Duty and Allegiance, from a true apprehension of their own Interest, with that of their Countreys; in order to which, Reasons may be taken with respect to the one, and the other, and that by some proper Instrument such honourable Satisfaction might be proposed as may consist with the Prince's Character of Soveraign, when he treats with his Subjects.

But if fair Means fail, and that the Offenders are inexorable, then ecclipse that supposed Merit, by which the Head of the Faction is boyed up in the Vul-

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gar's Opinion: To promote which, infinuate Fears and Jealousies, that the servor with which the Tumult is excited to Sedition, may be cooled; to compass which, let the Prince have in his Eye such, whose known desert hath not made them the Subject of the Peoples envie; such, whose Integrity and Faithfullness, annexed with their Experience in military Affairs, may carry on awful fear, and veneration for their Person.

Also David's Policy may be of use, by sending a Hushai to countermine their Achitophels, that by Intelligence, and a Dissidence infinuated, the Enemy may be weakened, and divided into Factions; on such Occasions not only Policy, but Money may be a proper Bait: For what can not Gold effect? What hath

it not done in fuch Cases? It is as Oil to the Wheel, that makes all Things Easy; opens Closet-doors, discloses Secrets, imposes Silence, or makes the Priefts Mouth Speak; it inflames Zeal, creates Friends, and makes those that were Enemies, fuch, as they would facrifice all to carry on that Interest, which before was their Aversion: So wonderfull is the operation of this Metal, that it blinds the Eyes of the Seeing, and opens those that before could not discern; and makes the difficultest Enterprises easy by removing all Obstacles.

But when all Means fail, and that suppressing Sedition is the Question, then let a Door timely be opened to those that by Repentance shall come in, and take hold of Pardon; which, when proposed, ought most Religiously

to be observed: Offenders are not to be abandoned to Despair; that makes those the inveteratest Enemies, which, by prudent Management, might have become usefull Friends. Let not Machiavel's Affertion be countenanced, That to the end Designs may not be abortive, it is necessary to be perfectly Wicked: But fince Princes and Subjects are Mortal, why should their Paffions be immortal? Neither is it good to penetrate too far into the Nature of Offences, especially when the Sore is spreading. But as Corruptions increase, and ways found to evade the Law, so should Justice be awakened to the exstinguishing of growing Evils. June short of benego ad

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### Of Foreign War.

Poreign War is a less Evil, and a generouser Contention than the Civil, which may be reduced to that of Offensive, and Defensive.

The Offensive is either Unjust, or Just. The occasions taken for an Unjust War are sometimes so trivial, as may rather be lamented than inquired into, and so with reason is called Offensive.

# Of Unjust, Offensive War.

The Opinion, that Right consists in that we are stronger than our Neighbours,

or that God takes the strongest Part, is a Tenent to be abhorred: For he is a Supporter of justice, and the giver of Victory; which may be reasonablier expected, when Justice and Necessity compel to take Arms for Resuge. Having Self-preservation, and Peace for End, success may better be expected; but they have reason to be jealous of their good Fortune, when Ambition and Covetousness set them on work.

This Unjust, Offensive War is the legitimate off-spring of Pride and Ambition, and managed by such who are Scourges in God's Hands by whose means Countries are depopulated, and Devastations made. Such are Beasoms in God's Hands, with which he sweeps Nations. This sort of War is, in its Nature, offen-

offensive to Mankind, whose Undertaker seems to design the Destruction of his Species.

This is the most unnatural of Enterprises, and looks as if Men had forgot they were Men, and that they had divested themselves of their Understanding and Humanity; and were become more cruel, each to other, than irrational Brutes are to those of their own Sort, who wage not War, one kind against those of the same. The Lion ordinarily tears not the Lion, nor the Tiger and Wolf those of their kind; they assemble not in Herds, and form not destructive Projects by gathering Parties against Parties. Also our Lord gives us to believe, That though the Devils are Enemies to Mankind, yet that they are not divided amongst themest orly sono managerfelves;

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could not stand.

Is it not Folly and Frenzie to feek Occasions to be a Plague to the Age, and an Instrument of torment to others? To effect which, they will run through all Hazards by Sea and Land, and for Uncertainties court Death and Destruction; and with so much fierceness imbark others with themselves, to endeavour the Ruin of those they neither hate, nor know: As it is with every hired Souldier that invades the Persons and Properties of fuch who never gave him offense. Thus these mercenary Champions contribute, as far as in them lies, to the promoting the Diforder and sad Effects of such Debordements, even to which themselves they bear their share. Those mercenary Ones, who regard

not the Justice of a Cause, but fight for the empty Name of being Valourous, and the inconsiderable recompences intailed on them, rather deserve to be styled Mad-men, who give themselves up a Prey to the Sword, and hazard for trifles their All to the Mercy of incenfed Ones; who will have no confideration to reduce such, either to their first Nothing, or to render them useless by loss of Members, which is more deplorable than Death it self: And this to serve the pasfion of an ambitious One in an unjust Cause; and perhaps such an one, who neither knows, nor cares, for their Persons, farther than to obtain his End; nor would Scruple, when occasion offered, to serve himself of their dead Bodies, as a Pedestal to heighten

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heighten his Stature to take the farther view.

But when God, and Reason, calls for the Defence of their Countrey, Prince, and Properties, then to dye, or fuffer, in fuch a cause, is honourable, and aDuty incumbent on the Subject. It is deplorable, the fad Reflections that may be made of the Effects incident to Wars; which in themselves are sufficient to deter the Promoters of unjust Ones. The hardening themselves against such Considerations are Aggravations of their Crimes; for from that time they are launched from the Shore of Peace, they also involve themselves, and others, into a Sea of Troubles, with whose angry Waves they wrestle, and are tossed, and hurried by the Wind of Fortune into a Gulph of Milery; which hath

hath a Mouth wide like Hell, and refuses no Comers, but Preyes mostly on the Valiant, and such as are fittest for noble Atchievements: The most robust and daring, and those likliest to live, are more immediately itsObjects; and like the Lion, the King of Beasts, disdains a mean Prey, and as he spares none, but crushes all that come under his Paws. So this King of Terrours, when riding in Triumph on his Chariot of War, then the impotent, the base, the Coward, are not so immediately the Object of his lure, as the bold and daring, fuch as with courage can look Death in the Face; thus like the generous Hawk, he takes his flight on the noblest Quarry.

But such is the misery incident to Man, that sometimes God suffers in an Age a Scourge

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to arise, who being given up to a boundless Ambition, is unfatiable even to the ravishing his Neighbour's Properties; which after he calls his, and that for no juster reason than that such was his pleasure; and after an illegitimate Possession, claims a right to adjacent Places by virtue of their Reunion. Thus some Mens defires are boundless like the Ocean, and as the Grave are never satisfied; for presuming on their Power and Strength, they infult their Neighbours. But where is the generofity: To feek occasions of Contest where none is given, and that on frivolous, and often on no pretext surprise the difarmed, or at least upon fuch a disparity of Force as makes them no proper Objects for a generous Undertaker? But süch run the Hazard of this Censure, that

That as the leffer Hectors, where, they have an advantage, will, on every flight Occasion, quarrel, and draw; and wanting matter for Contest, will rake it out of nothing. Thus the greater to serve their turn wage War, and tell the reason afterwards. But so abstruse are the Inducements for their irregular Proceedings, that even Oedipus himself, how clear-sighted soever, had he been living, could not have discovered whence, nor why were fuch Hostilities; yet fuch are the Parafitical Humours of many, that after a fuccess obtained, they will fing the Encomiums of Praises of those whom they know have dishonoured God, and done the Devil's Bufinels. The part of the state of the

Thus unwarrantable Actions take a new Name, and bury that G 3 of

of Usurpation in the Bowels of Victory, that it feems as if Success and Right were indissolvably knit together. Thus the Glory of overcoming, or being overcome, denominates the Enterprise good or evil; and, according to the common acceptation of things, Fame Ecchoes forth Praise or Dispraise. Thus little Robberies are called Thefts, while those great ones of Principalities and Countries are styled Conquests, and Heroick Actions. Thus Usurpation changes its Name, and the Usurper is become the lawful Prince; whose fortunate Success is adored by the gazing World, while the Sufferer is despised and contemned. Thus the small Fry in the Seas is made the prey to greater Fishes, and the lesser Fowl to Birds of prey. Thus powerful Princes

Princes imboldened by their strength like Wolves, seise on their Neighbours Flocks, and hug themselves with this impious Maxim, That wicked Enterprises change their Nature with their Names, and become Vertues, when attended with Success. Thus is he exalted to pride himfelf whose Bloud boiling in a high Ferment of Glory, is imboldened to farther Insolencies though he runs the hazard of Eternal Vengeance; for the all-powerful is not tied to Means, but with the Usurper's own Weapons, whetted to Destroy his Neighbours, he may thereby himself be made a Victim, and the measure he meated to others, may be accumulated on him.

But what can we expect, when the Reflections of a Superiour Vengeance will not take Place, G 4 that that any more inferiour Confideration should be available? Or that he should be induced to moderation, from any Reason drawn from his Honour, that is eclipsed by oppressing such who have not might to Subsist, but under the shelter of a more Auspicious Wing. But it is not thus amongst irrational Animals; for the generous Lion disdains to make the Mouse his prey; nor will the Eagle catch Flies.

## Of Just Offensive War.

will undertake fuch Enterprifes, unless well-provided with necessary Requisites; it concerns not less such who have a legal Reason to begin a Just Offensive War. War, than those who want that Title to justify their Actions, especially since Honour, Reason, and Justice alarm them to action.

It may be with justice denominated Offensive, yet not from the same Reason that the Unjust War is so called; for in this War Justice is implied, and is a Right that the Prince doth himself, and his People, who is supposed to be the Sufferer of wrong, either from omission of right expected, or from a Commission of wrong done. Thus, though cause be given for a Just Offensive War, yet before imbarking therein, let the reasons of the undertaking be scrutinously looked into, and not take fire at every alarm, though there may be Amusements, and that Returns of just Demands may be dilatory and delusory, and -nIal gand offentimes the Victor

Incroachments may be made on various Pretences, and that Words in Treaties may be wrested: Also fuch may Circumstances of Time and Place be, as to furnish matter for Contest; all which the Prudent Prince will not immediately resent, and take the alarm. at every disgust, but rather by moderation Calm Heats, using means to reconcile Misunderstandings, giving right Ideas of Things by placing matters indispute in their true Light; for the events of War are like casts at Hazard, where the Dice commonly runs contrary to expectation, in which Fate hath a greater share than Reason: Though the Enterprise may be plausible, and easy at first Undertaking, yet there will be found Difficulties, and the End uncertain, if not Fatal; and oftentimes the Victor have

hath occasion to say with Pyrrhus, when he had vanquished the Roman Forces, to those that congratulated his Success, That their Transports of Joy ought to be moderated by Silence, since fuch another Victory would have undone him. Thus it may happen, that the Conquerour profits not by his Conquest: Those are furely most unhappy Undertakings, where neither Party can promise themselves to profit by their Enterprises; but that there is an indubitable necessity, that both must be Losers; as it happens in all warlike Undertakings; there being never Tears wanting in the greatest Solemnities of Triumphs. The Armour is foon put on, the City is foon in a Flame, but the Remedies of Conflagration are not easily effected; and Fortune, who is inconstant,

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is never so eminently such, as in her dispensing her Laurels. Princes may be faid to be like Fishers, who angle for a Prize, though they use the golden Hook, yet sometimes they not only miss the Prey, but even Bait-hook, and all are often lost; so that though the Gainer of the Bait hath dearly purchased the swallowing that Morsel, yet hath the Angler little Cause of Triumph; and many times gazing Spectators have seen their Heads crowned with unexpected Trophies and Honour, whom they expected should have been made Victims. It is very difingenuous not to fay worse, on every flight Occasion, to place the welfare of the Subject on the Sword's Point. But some, like Gamesters, that have so itching an humour for Play, that rather than

than stand out, will hazard all. It is not prudent, at all Times, to begin a just War, especially when the Evil that accrues by it, is greater than the Good that can be expected from a reasonable Compliance. Let foft and healing means be used with such honourable Condescensions, as may confift with the Prince's Character. But if Necessity compels, and that Reason and Justice countenance his Cause, then let Diligence and Vigilancy be awakened, to prosecute effectually what shall be begun. For fince nothing less than Fire and Sword will be available, use them as the last Remedy to procure that Peace, which fair means could not effect. Which having first essayed may give occasion with more reason to expect a a prosperous Success. By which

we see how the use of Arms is necessary, and that the Military Profession ought to be honoured, and incouraged; but however laudable it is in itself, yet such ill use hath been made of it, as to give occasion for the unthinking Multitude to exclaim against it, as one of the Plagues of Mankind, and as a Science hatched in Hell for the Destruction of Humane Society. But as the best of Food turns to ill Humours when it lights upon a vicious and a disaffected Stomack: So the military Profession may be misused; and as skill and Weapons in the Hands of Robbers are hurtful and destructive, but commendable, when lodged with the honest Traveller, who imploys them to defend his Person, and Effects.

Thus the Military Art, and its Professors, recommend themselves to the World as the stay of Lives, Laws, Liberties and Properties. There is no Profession so honourable as the Military, nor more useful in its Place, when managed by a prudent Conduct. It is noble in its Cause when legitimate, as also in its Execution, by which its Professors are innobled, and capacitated for the highest Honours; so that thereby they are adorned with Purples, and many times their Merit recompenced with Crowns and Scepters. Even from private Centinels fome have raifed themselves to the highest pitch of Preferment, and by their Vertue and Prowess have commanded fuch, whom before themselves have obeyed. No Characters of Men whatfoever, deserve more from the Hands of their

their Prince, not only in respect of their present Use, but also in regard of the Antiquity of their Profession. For we read of Hostilities before Learning had polished, refined, and dignified Men; for after the Person of their Soveraign, they are the noblest, and the more in this respect, That the Prince prides himself in the glorious Epithet of being stiled a Souldier; and it is the Prince's peculiar Province, to innoble and recompence Valour, by Military Honours. Also in many respects, they exceed the learned Heads, however crowned with Bays: For they are not only the preservers of Laws and Religion, and the Protectors of Persons and Properties; but that Countrey, where the Military Art is incouraged, becomes a Nursery of all Sciences, and under their Wing, Trade Florishes, rishes, and Riches increase, to the Honour and Strength of that State and Government, where that Profession is kept on Foot; but where it lies dormant, a Door is opened to the first AmbititiousOne, that shall find himself at leisure to insult their Security.

#### Of Defensive War.

Subject, so far as regards the offensive Part, whether Just, or Unjust; in the latter the Innocent is assaulted, and reduced to defend himself. It is time now to give some Hints, with reference to the Defensive Part of War, where Self-preservation calls for the Vindication of invaded Rights of the Innocents, who are therein passive, and by an impulse of Fate hurried on to defend

fend themselves; like those harmless Clients, who fly to the Law for refuge from their litigious, vexatious Neighbours. It is from this verbal War, that the more bloudy one, made by Fire and Sword, may have derived its Name; and as a Metaphor, drawn from defending the Cause, hath taken its name of a Defensive War, when the assaulted is necessitated to arm in his own Defence against the Aggressor.

It is Natural to all sublunary Creatures, animated with Life, to seek their Preservation; and God hath imprinted it in the very Nature of irrational Animals to preserve themselves from an invading Foe, and for that end hath furnished each with sutable Weapons: Some have their Horns, some are taught the use of the Heel, others have their Teeth and Claws for Weapons; even the very Reptiles and Insects

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Since Self-defence is a Dictate of Nature amongst irrational Creatures; so it is in Man, even the Laws of Nations will that Force be repelled by Force: Yet some are of Opinion, That Self-defence is but a Faculty, and not properly termed a War; but we will not stick at the Name, but leave it as inserted, and call the Faculty of Self-defence to be a waging War. And as Fencers, where the one attacks, and the other paryeth, yet both are styled Fencers, and the Exercise is called Fencing. So those that wage a War offensive, and they that defend themselves, are reciprocal Wagers of War.

It is not to be questioned, but a Prince may take Arms to defend his own and Peoples Rights; for God, Man, and Reason, calls him to it, and are Incouragers of Self-preservation, and to have recourse to Ex-

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tremities. When nothing else will prevail, then the Offender must be Offended, and Force must repel Force. Yet though it be concluded reasonable, and a Duty incumbent upon each to defend themselves; nevertheless God hath indued Man with Wisdom, by which greater Things have been effected than by Force; for Prudence finds many waysto wind it self out of Trouble, and futs Remedies to the Circumstances then occurring. To give particular Observations for each case, is impossible since intervening Affairs can only direct, for New Accidents require New Counsel. But there are Methods always of use, as Beacons to direct Travellers. Amongst the general Heads of Advices observe, That when you find you shall unavoidably be attacked, and that all Means for accommodation avail not, then begin the Game yourself; and by way of prevenprevention, if possible; assault your Enemy; for the furest Defence, is Offence. Thus hurting, and being hurt, are near Neighbours. Befides what Measures Prudence may have directed, try also ( even in the time of Action) what Money will do; part with it rather than with more Essentials. Let the Sheep be Shorn rather than part with their Skins; the Fruits of the Earth, and Money, are easilier retrieved, than Liberties and Patrimonies. And though Ambition may not be charmed down by Money, yet through the Means of Favourites, a Change hath many Times been compassed: Therefore Plough with the Aspirers Heifers; for though the Ambitious one disdain, Golden Showers, yet he may be overcome by a Dalila, or some Favourite.

Use therefore Gold as being an Engine of great use; it is a most Soveraign Mistress that makes the H 2 Blind

Blind See, and gives Strength to the Weak, and Feet and Wings to the Slow. By it Peace is sometimes purchased, and it is the cause of much Good, and much Evil; it is the Spring that sets all Wheels on going, from the Prince to the meanest of

his People.

The Prince therefore should not want this so admirable a Cordial stutable to all the Grievances incident to a languishing and threatened State, and is the best Bullwark to sence off approaching Evils; whether Famine, Fire, or Sword; it is so desirable, that the Business of Mankind in all Ages hath been to acquire it. How hath it penetrated Rocks, Stony Hearts, melted Metals; and without other Key, hath caused to sly open the strongest Gates to pay it homage, though tyed upon an Ass's Back?

If the Tempest cannot be diverted by Gold, then see what Stores and

and Provisions have been laid up. Lose no Time, it is an advantage to besoonest in the Field; and if there be no want of Money, Counsel, nor other Requisites, then he that gives the first Blow, being so provided, is likker to renew his Stroak; than those whom a Surprise hath brought into disorder. Thus meet danger, else it will find you out, and give Reputation to your Courage and Strength; and may be of use to bring the Enemy to consider, That a War built on Injustice may indanger his own Ruin. But let not him who values himself for Might, Situation, Numbers, Riches, and past Successes, be too assured; for Success doth not always serve the same Master, for sometimes it hath happened that Victory hath waited on those, whose Forces were Inferiour to the Assailant, whose numerous Multitudes threatened to Swallow all before them; yet as the small Sands H 4

Sands stop the Career of the raging Seas, and set bounds to its proud and insulting Waves, That so far they shall go and no farther, so should all bordering concerned Ones, nay even all Europe, indeavour to chain up the never-satisfied Lion with prey, that thereby he may be confined to his due Bounds: But some presume that Fortune will always favour their Purposes, so they continue

Plagues in their Age.

But when neither Money, prudent Measures, nor Force can refcue from Ruin, then the Giant must be let alone, and other Requisites used to calm that Heat: For when Courage is not available, a prudent Shelter from approaching Danger may be commendable, and ought not to be styled Cowardise; for though Vertue be most demonstrated by wrestling with the greatest Difficulties, and that Courage is ready to frame Ideas, That all

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Dangers are less, than what their Fears suggest them to be, whose false Images have often fetched Difasters from far, even to cause Armies to Fly when none Pursu'd; yet it is Fool-hardiness to run precipitately into them, rather than feek a timely Remedy answerable to Circumstances, as by calling in Succours; which, if failing, then the Generous will chuse rather to dye gloriously, than tamely lye down to be inflaved; better it is to dye free by hazarding all in trusting Providence, than to be trodden under Foot. The Allpowerfull is not tyed to Strength, or Numbers, but can place the Laurel on the Head of the weakest. And though Supplies be wanting, and that they exceed in number of Men, yet they may not in number of Souldiers: For a good Cause, and Courage, answers all Defects. As Almanzor, Son of an Arabian King, told his Father, That no Weapon was too short for a Man of Courage; since what it wanted in Length, it might be supplied by Valour, and

stretching forth the Arm.

And though Expectations may not immediately be answered, yet the Generous will persevere in magnanimous Resolutions to the last, and not prescribe a time for Deliverance; for he who is the Protector of the oppressed, usually takes the Opportunity to deliver, when Extremity calls loudest. For there is no Fire, how great soever, but may be either quenched, or an entire Conflagration prevented: Few Wounds but find Plaisters proper for their Sore. Besides, Time wonderfully changes the Face of Things, and makes our very Passions alter, that that which once was the Object of our Hate may in time become that of Love, or at least Indifferency; even the Persons of the Assailants are not im-

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Thus Hopes should bear up the Courage of the Generous, what either is or may be in prospect, any thing rather than despair; imagine that the Assailant, or his Animosity may dye, or his Passion for Empire cease, or that some unforeseen Accident may turn the Scales; for though Towns, Cities, and Countreys may suffer, be Stormed, and Taken, yet they can not carry them away; and Time may either see them rendered, or retaken.

Neither is it morally impossible, but that even the Conquerours may be Conquered by those they oppresed; for the greatest Things are many times brought about by small Accidents: There needs but the want of Water, or a too great Inundation of the same, to change the sace of things; for when God will deliver a People, his Methods are usually attended

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with furprifing Circumstances, the better to shew that his Finger operated therein. Yet let not the expectation of some surprising Deliverance, render secure, but be armed for Accidents, and use all probable means. However averseFortune may appear to be, yet keep Courage awake, and persevere patiently: For there is nothing more inconstant than the events of War; the knowlegde of which, may be improved fo, as in Prosperity never to be secure, nor in Adversity to sink. But hope still, and , be diligent, and active as fire, and with the Eagle quick-sighted, Argus like, looking every way; and, as if poffeffed of Briareus's many Arms, bestir your self to frustrate all Enterprises.

The Fore-sight of events is necesfary, and prevents many Evils, for by seasonable notices, Places are fortifyed, and Peoples Esfects secured. This may detect the Imprudence of those, who through a parsimo-

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nious Principle of sparing lye still, as the unconcerned Object of Prey to those, who are upon no other score an Enemy, than that their Ambition and Power makes them fuch. It concerns all who are Neighbours to fuch a Danger, to stand on their Guard, and to strengthen themselves by joint Confederacy, against a common Oppressour, who hath given the World occasion to know, he will never want Pretences to offend, if thereby he may cloth himself with the Spoil of others; who is never in the wrong, nor yet true to his Promises; and will never want infnaring ways to involve the Unwary; who like the Fox, or Wolf are for making all a Prey they can Surprise. Therefore by Union, and Counsel strengthen each other; for sometimes Countel answers the want of Force. Being thus armed by Refolution, go on and Prosper; for that is the best Armour of Proof.

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Upon all occasions where Hostile Actions are necessary, as many useful Hands are to be secured as posfible; but let few Heads be privy to what shall be the Enterprise. Affairs of War ought to be deliberated by many, but the Refult sknown to few. When all lies at Stake, as Life, Liberty and Safety, then it is high time to stand up for them; especially having to do with One, who regards not fuch trifles as Honour, and Conscience; and looks upon Justice, and the keeping Promises, to be plebeian Vertues, offensive to a squeemish Conscience, and a stop to the Career of accummulating Provinces, as fo many Annexes to his Territories; but how far it consists with Justice, that is never made the Question.

Thus it appears reasonable, that in time of Peace, Forces should be maintained, and Disciplined; who ought not to be considered by the Inhabitants, as their Disease; but ra-

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ther as those in whom consists their Safety and Happiness: For a competent number of standing Forces, kept in due order; instead of giving Jealousies, and being a Terrour, ought to be confidered as the Bullwarks of the Country; and as the great Incouragement to Industry. For what Courage can the Husband-man have to Plough and Sow, or the Merchant to venture his Stock, to Traffick, when they know not who shall reap the Fruit of their Industry? Thus under God the Souldier is the Subjects shelter, from Fears at home, and from Enemies abroad; by whose means Trade Florishes, and the Age is Crowned with Plenty. By what hath been faid, it appears, That a standing Army kept in good Order and Discipline, may be a promoter of Justice, and the Protector of the Soveraign's Authority; by which he bears the Character of God's Vicegerent on Earth.

My spare Hours, have given me occasion to speak of Peace and War. which I intended for the private use of my Successors, who are not in Election tomeet with a favorabler Reception from the World, than my Predecessors, and self have had. I hope my Neighbouring Princes, from the same Inducement, may find Reafon to join in Confederacy, against formidable Incroachers; in after Ages, as well as in these our times, which will strengthen this received rule, That from others Harms, and past Dangers; it is wisdom to take Warning: And most certain it is, That in the Union of lesser Powers consists their Strength. For though War, like some Physick is never to be Administered, but upon unavoidable Occasions; yet it is necessary to Bridle the exorbitant Defires of the Ambitious, and to preserve Peace. Thus War though a necesfary Evil, yet hath this Good in it;

in that it protects the Weak from threatened Violence, secures Justice to each Proprietor. Thus taking up Arms, may be sometimes a most necessary Refuge; when by Tyrannical Inundations the Prince is Insulted.

I might here have concluded, but having observed the frailty of Peace when Unarmed; and that fecurity is a temptation for Infulters to profit by their lying so exposed: Therefore the use of Arms, is of absolute Necessity, even in time of Peace, and that the Military Art be incouraged. For which Reason, I shall further add some thing with reference to Military Professors, and will decipher the Qualifications requisite in each of its Members; for as the Military Imployment exceeds all others, so its Professors deserve the greatest Honours and Incouragements. There is no Virtue in Civil Society that heaps so much Glory on the Heads of those it adorns, as that of the

the Military, and Experience hath taught Men to know, That it is necessary to have an established Policy, with futable Incouragements answerable to the great Undertakings of military Men; that according to the different Spheres they move in, they may have sutable Returns, without which, few would be found to court so dangerous a Mistress, that cannot be obtained but by wading through Bloud, Sweat, and Labour, whose Rivals for Honour never florish for gloriously, nor ride in Triumph so pompoully, as in the midst of Fire and Smoke. To proced, let some thing be first said of the Infantry in general, and after, of each of their Stations in particular.

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He Foot is useful in all Places, though rough, narrow, or straight Passages, whether Hilly, Rocky,

Rocky, or Boggy Grounds, and is of less charge in raising and keeping; and its Stores lye in less room, and require fewer Carriages, and are eafilier disposed of, and secured, than Forage. When the Foot is well Disciplined, and in good Heart, they will maintain their Ground against the Horse, and are best in Combat, Sieges, and Ambushes, and will bear the brunt of the Day, with more Obstinacy; and though they are not so expeditious in gaining Victory, nor fo useful in pursuing; yet they are not so soon vanquished, but will stand the hottest Brunts longer, and indure Fatigues, with Resolution and Patience; when the Horse-man cannot be Master of his own Intentions, if hurryed away by these strongheaded Animals, to the dishonour of their Riders, and many times loss of Victory. In the Infantry are more Preferments, and is the readiest way to the highest Military Honours.

Of the Common Souldier.

E is the Stock upon which all Cions are ingrafted, where the Product fometimes exceeds its Parent, who from thence have rifen to the highest Degrees of Honour; even Princes have honoured that Station, either by shouldering the

Musquet, or trailing the Pike.

The Common Souldier ought to be young and vigourous, of a healthy Constitution able to indure Fatigues; fuch who have been inured to Labour and Hardships are most desirable; the Climates that they are born under, may contribute much to indure Hardships; for more are killed for not being able to suffer Fatigues, than have lost their Lives by the Sword. His Stature should be rather tall than little; his Limbs clean and strong; his Feet good, and of a nimble and active Body; cleanly in his Person, Cloths and Arms;

Arms; well Shod, and careful of his Necessaries, That he may encounter Want, with the longest. He must not hazard at Play, what he hath, lest it becomes another's Propriety, and so be tempted to irregular Ways, to supply his Wants; which may expose him to suffer military Discipline. Thus the bravest in a Heard have been untimely cut off, as Examples to others, which but for evil Presidents, hath been desired, that they might have been spared.

Also Wine and Women, are the bane of an Army, and unfit the Souldier for Duty; the first bereaves him of Senses, and the second of Strength, and both are Triflers away of time, and Obstructions to Advan-

cement. The Character of a Souldier is, That he have Courage as to dare Look Death and Danger, in the Face. One who is armed with Resolution, either to vanquish, or Dye. It

Men, who have Courage in the Field, will fight like Heroes in a Crowd, when animated by numbers; yet will want that mettle in private Quarrels. It were to be defired, our Souldier were of that rugged Mould, not to fuffer Affront, nor give occasion for Quarrels; but when infulted over, then let him only right himself by generous Repulses, thereby he gains esteem, and shuts the Door against after Broils and, Quarrels.

His Character is accomplished if he Knowes to carry himself debonairly to his Equals, obediently and humbly to his Superiours, and can give Instances of his Humanity to all.

He is haughty to the Proud and Infolent: With his Enemies stout and valiant; but is meek and gentle, and affable, when Time, Persons, and Place call for it. He is also vigilant, and a strict Obferver of his Duty, fearing to be furprised, either by his Superiours or Enemies, and never questions why, or what are the Reasons; but with an implicit Obedience, without murmuring, discharges those Com-

mands injoined him.

He will keep his Arms in good order, and readiness; and, with the many good Qualities requisite, he is indued with Patience, a most necessary Ingredient in a Souldier; so that Money is not more useful, to supply the Necessities of the Poor, nor Wisdom to answer the Defects of Folly, than Patience and Perseverence is, in the course of a Military Life; for by this Vertue the greatest Difficulties are overcome.

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# Of the Corporal.

E is promoted to that Station, from that of the Common Souldier; so ought to have his Qualifications, with improvements; as he exceeds him in Ttrust reposed; so he ought to go beyond him, in Diligence and Capacity. That he may the better discipline the private Centinels, and keep, Peace he is to give information of Things to his Superiours, and carry the List of fuch as are to mount the Guard. It is he that distributes Ammunition, and Provision, and provides necesfary Fire and Candle, and gives the Word handed to him; and in a particular manner his Duty is, to be acquainted with the Persons, and merit of each Particular, that he may place them accordingly.

The Trust reposed in a Corporal, is of that consequence, That on his Fidelity, depends the Security of those Avenues where he is placed; for to have corps de gardes surprised, is of that importance, that sometimes it hath occasioned the Destruction of an Army.

### Of the Sergeant.

The is one chosen by the Captain, from amongst the best of his Men, for known Fidelity, Experience, Courage, and Diligence; he is the Corporal's Elder Brother, whose Place differs in this, That he Hands to him his Instructions, and gives out those Ammunitions and Provisions designed, and with the Corporal, takes cognisance of the merit of each particular Person; and their Lodging, and Necessities, of which

an Inspection ought to be taken, as also into their Behaviour; to assign Quarters, which he is to visit from time to time. The Care of the Company lies on him; he is the Captain's Eyes and Ears, by whom he receives Information of both Sick and Well, and other necessary Circumstances. In short, the Sergeant ought to be brave and stout every where, Night and Day, moving, walking the Rounds, visiting Centinels; and, when upon Duty, he is to be personally present with the Superiour Officers, at the opening, and shutting of the Gates.

# Of the Ensign.

T is a Post for a Gentleman; he ought to be endued with Sentiments of Honour for his Country, and Person. He should be Young,

a Man of Courage, well made, with a good Presence. His Duty is, to carry the Colours where commanded, and chuse rather to part with his Life, than with them. In the absence of his Captain, and Lieutenant, his Duty is the same with theirs, whose Instructions being in common these do refer.

#### Of the Lieutenant.

IN the Captain's Absence, he is his Representative; so requires all his Qualifications, their Duties being the same. He disciplineth the Men, hath regard that the Sergeants discharge their Duty. The Care of the Company lieth in a great measure on him; therefore he should be Prudent, and a Man of Courage, as well as of Experience: For if the Captain falls in Combat, he

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he leaves the rear to the next Sergeant, to take his Sword and Post, at the Head of the Company. It is his great Interest to keep a good Intelligence with his Captain; being the way to Prefrement.

### Of the Captain.

Thould be a Person of Honour, Courage, and Experience; prudent in Matters, neither too rough, nor too indulgent, that he incur neither Hatred, nor Contempt. He ought to be informed of his Men's Names, and of their merit, and should know their Necessities. He marches at the Head of his Company, and leads them on and off in Action, and he is to know the Quantity of Arms, Time when, and Place where, and all other Circumstances, according to the

the Nature of the Occasion. Also he should be skilled in Fortifications.

This Post is the usual Step, by which the greatest military Honours are ascended; therefore he ought to be a Man of worth, fuch as shall disdain the consulting his own Ease at a time when his Men are incommoded; he should be qualifyed with Wisdom, carrying always a Face of Prosperity, even in. the midst of Discouragements, that none be disheartened. He should have a Spirit above mean Things, as that of making advantage of his Men by false Musters; but with the Centurion in the Gospel, keep his Company compleat; it being upon Record to his Honour, that he had a Hundred Men. By which it appears, as if there had been no False Musters in those Days. Also to assist his Men by little Advances, may keep them from Irregularities, and gain their Love. He should be

be ambitious of honourable Undertakings, and not incourage by his Example any excess, but punish Drinking, and the Quarrelfome, with all Makers of Parties; Theft and the Seditious, are to be difcouraged, or cut off for Example, by a solemn and publick Execution. Small Faults need not be observed, and when fuch as you would spare are guilty, so that the Eye cannot be shut, without incurring the Censure of being partial, then Severity is to be used, answerable to the Nature of the Crime without respect of Persons; and as a Parent, who, though he may have a fecret tendency to some of his Children, above the rest; yet he wisely conceals it, and with Caution incourages all, and disobliges none.

### Of the Major.

Is Character is in common with other Commissionated Officers, viz. That he have Courage, and be qualifyed with Knowledge; and that he be diligent, and active; for in the Major's Power is included that of all the Officers in the Regiment, which gives him authority over the Captains, and other inferiour Officers, as well as Souldiers, in Garrisons, Villages, and in the Field. If there be not a Major in the Garrison; then he receives the Word, and directions from the Governour, as to Hours, Place and Quarters, which he communicates to the Sergeants, the same as if in Villages, or in the Field, whose Duty, and Instructions vary, according to the disposedness of Places, and the time when, whether of Danger, or other-

otherwise. He appoints detatchments, and Places for Rendezvous, and marks out their Incampments, and hands to the Officers their Orders, before whom he is to be at their affignedQuarters, where he detatches corps de Gardes, and appoints Places for Centinels. His Orders are not to be altered but by himself as being the ordinary Conduit for conveighing them, either from the General, or his Colonel. He should discourage useless Persons, and see the Regiment march in due order, and that thy keep their Ranks, and carry their Arms, except weary, or fick; for whose relief, his care is, That carriages be provided to foflow, that fuch as lag behind may be received. It is also his place to give out Provisions to each Company their Dividend, and to answer the necessity of the Sick, by futable supplies of Food, Physick, and Shelter.

In Sieges he advertises the Officers of his Regiment when to mount the Guard, and Trenches, and commands the bringing off and on Labourers; he keeps a List of the Men, and takes Cognizance of the Officer's Baggage. He is obliged to be every where, and so for Expedition's - fake rides; he should be often with his Superiour Officers to receive Instructions. He sets Prizes on what Sutlers bring in the Camp, and provides for their safe Conduct, and that they may not want he doth incourage their being paid.

His Business consists more in giving Orders, than in executing Exploits; and though the practical part be requisit, yet a thorow Know-

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#### Of the Colonel.

E is supposed to have eminently all the Qualifications of a brave Captain, who hath gone through those Degrees of Command, which have capacitated him for that Post, lest a conscienciousness of Demerit occafion his envying of more experienc'd Commanders that act under him. He is to attack, and defend, and lead his Regiment to ingage, to make Retreats and Intrenchments; he relieves Posts, visits Works, causes Orders to be observed, and hath the Care

Care of the wounded Officers. He hath Power to arrest, and suspend those in Commission under him. He should be of an attractive and obliging Comportment to gain Love, and to preserve his Esteem he must act with Bravery, Courage, and Prudence, and be ever armed with Foresight.

Of the Major-General.

a great Character that which a private Major is in a Regiment; he ought to have the General's Ear, and to be ready to receive, and with Expedition to convey Orders received.

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## Of the Field-Marshal.

T is of absolute Necessity that he that moves in this Post should be a Person of Worth, Honour, and Experience, fince good or evil Accidents may happen, or be prevented, according to his managing his Orders received from the General: He appoints Guards, Convoys, Parties and Marches, and distributes his Instructions amongst the Majors. He should be informed of the Country through which the March is intended; the Care of lodging the Army lies on him, where he is to be the first and last mounted: This

is so necessary and painful a Post, that in all Armies accordingly as they are numerous an Augmentation of them is required, they being an Ease to the General, who are to fee Orders kept, and Justice administered. As the Majors and other Officers Care are of those lesser Bodies under their Command, fo the Field-Marshal's Care is required of the whole Army; fo that Experience and Conduct feems as necessary to one in this Post, as to that of the Lieutenant - Generals.

He is also the Protector of Sutlers, the Moderator of Rates, that the one may be incouraged to bring Supplies, and yet the Soldier not oppressed. He orders the K 2 Marches

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Marches of Foot and Horse, their Quarters, and their Form of Battel, according to the then disposal of Things in reference to Place, Time, and numbers of Horse and Foot, the better to prevent what Evil may happen, or to make the best of the worst of Accidents. This Place of Field-Marshal is exposed to Envy, and Censure, so is a Station of more Honour and Care, than Satisfaction.

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#### Of the Lieutenant-General.

His Post, and the Ge-nerals, and Field-Marshals, have so great an Affinity, that there is requisite the same Capacity, Experience and Qualifications; for what the General commands, the other executes, and that sometimes in separate Bodies, and on several Occasions, as with Flying Camps, at Sieges, Attacks, and with Detachments and Convoys. The General as the Spring doth cause the Motion of all the Wheels, the principal of which are the Lieutenant-Generals, so should be Perfons of tried Fidelity, Cour-K 4 age,

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Aumbers are incertain, they act according to the General's Orders, which they hand to others, as in relation to Marches, as in relation to Marches, assigning Incampments, Decampments, ordering Ingagements, commanding Retreats and Purfuits; therefore Foresight, Prudence, Courage, Knowledge, and a presence of Mindin the greatest Hurry, are their requisite Qualifications.

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# CAVALRY.

ORSE is so requifite in an Army, that good Success in a great meafure depends thereon, for all Places are first possessed by them, and those that exceed in their Numbers are likeliest to become Masters of the Field; for by them Garisons are victualled, the Army provided with Forrage, Convoys, Parties, and Quarters beaten up, furprised, and sometimes carried away. By the Horse it is that the Enemy is streightened, the Country

Country ravaged, and harraffed by Incursions. There is not an Enterprize of Hazard and Difficulty where the Horse is not concerned; by their means Defigns are compassed, facilitated, and expedited.

The Horse being so necesfary, so many of them are to be had as may answer the proportion of your Foot, as well as that of the Enemies. According to whose different Characters and Usefulnesses they are ordered, whether as Cuirassiers, Light-borse, Dragoons, Croates, or Heydukes. By these Passes are seized, Blocades made, and Contributions raised, Marches expedited, Pursuits and Surprises given; in the expeditious executing of which they are more necessary, Country

necessary, and exceed the Foot, whose slow Motions are often Impediments, and cause Disappointments, while the Horse by their quick and long Marches are the great Advantage, though attended with Inconveniencies, as being a greater Care and Charge.

#### Of the Trooper.

His Post, though the lowest, yet from thence some have ascended to the highest Degree of Honour in Military Imploys; and as the same Soil produces Grain of several forts, so the Bush and the Palm hath the same Origine, for Virtue is not al-

always found in elevated Fortunes, nor will that Illustrious DAME be confined to Pallaces, but the Country Cottage doth fometimes afford the World Heroes, who from their Clods of Earth, their Ploughs and Spades, have afcended to the height of Honour.

These Considerations ought to quicken those in the most inferiour Station to be Emulators of those Ensamples of Virtue gone before them, and incourage themselves with Hopes, that by a patient persevering in Well-doing, treading in their Steps, having Incouragements with Opportunities, they may justly aspire at that Honour and Glory, that others before them have compassed.

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But as his Mind should be aspiring, and qualified with Courage and Bravery, being undaunted, fearing nothing but Shame; and as his Infide is adorned with generous Virtues, so his Outside should also have that of a comely Presence, strong and manly, rather tall than little, and used to the Fatigues of riding; not fuch as are taken from Towns or Cities, where, by an effeminate Life, they are made tender, and unfit for the Hardships of a Camp. He should be young in Years, from Twenty to Forty; for Nature gives fuch Impressions to Age, that ill Habits are not easily rectified; but an old Trooper is a useful Member if grown so under Service, whose Skill in Horsemanship

manship need not be questioned, which Knowledge all should at first bring with them. As the choice of the Man is made, so should also the Horse in some measure correspond; who should neither be young nor old, but strong-set, well-limbed, and not of a great heavy make, yet large, and full chefted, fhort, and strongly coupled and jointed, of clean Limbs, and good Feet, fuch as will stand Fire: It is in Germany where Horses fit for Military Service most abound, nor will any stand Fire like them.

As the Horseman is to be under the Command of his Superiour, so he ought to have the Command of his Horse, that neither Gun nor Drum

Drum shall disorder nor make him break his Rank. Our Trooper should be as careful of his Horse, as of himself, and by being diligent, careful and obedient to Order, fearing his Captain more than his Enemy, he may come to attain to that Preferment that his Merit calls for.

Of the Brigadier, or Corporal.

him out from among the eldest of the Troopers, as judging him best qualified and experienced; he is to the Horse, what a Corporal or Serjeant is to the Foot; in the Quartermaster's Absence he supplieth his Place, To discharge

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discharge his Duty well he must be no Stranger to Writing: It is from him that the Captain expects an Account of all Omissions and Diforders, with a List of the Horse and Men, and of the Condition they are in. When upon Duty, by the Major's Order, he sets the Vedetes, whom he directs; to prevent Remisness he often visits. and in due time relieves them. It is his Province to instruct the Troopers, also what Forrage and Provisions are handed to him from the Quartermaster, he distributes.

#### Of the Quarter-master.

HE is as a Steward to the Troop, so should be prudent, intelligent and faithful, being intrusted with their Subfistence. Courage, Resolution and Diligence, ought to be his Qualifications; from him is expected a particular List of the Mens Names, and Places from whence they are, with whom he is to reckon, pay, and discount. He fets down the Orders given him by his Officers, and vifits the Mens Quarters and Stables, and doth fee that all be in Order from the Horseman to the least of his Accouterments, that from the Bridle

Bridle to a Girth there be nothing wanting. The Ammunition also is his Care, which he distributes, whether in the Field or Garrisons, and takes Care that their Quarters be ready before their arrival. He is to be at the Captains Quarters Morning and Evening, to carry the Orders he hath received from his Major. He commands Detachments, and conducts them to their Place of Rendezvous.

His great Business is to see that the Troopers live in their Quarters in good order, and that Complaints be filenced, and Grievances re-

dreffed.

Thus by keeping good Quarter, and affigning Quarters, he hath given him the Name of Quarter-master. 500077

#### Of the Cornet.

His Post is the first Step to Honour, being expensive is fit only for such as have Estates, or are Gentlemen. This Station is not fo troublesome as honourable, and should be filled up by a Man of Quality, as his first Essay; and if he hath before made a Campaign as a Volunteer, he is the fitter for this Post: But the' Favour should have introduced him, yet if his Inclination were the moving Cause, Success may be expected; for where generous Sentiments do put upon quest for Glory, there Obedience will become eafy, L 2 and

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and he will readily execute his Superiour's Orders, and will fet all his good Qualifications on work to compass

his defired end.

There is in a natural Propensity to a desired Object an occult quality that leads Soul, Body, and all its Faculties, like a Torrent with Impetuosity to it, so that when Military Honour is the Thing aimed at, from thence may reasonably be expected great Things.

It is the Cornet's Duty to carry the Standard when the Troop marches, as at Musters, at the Guards, and in Battel he is to bear it himself, and Death should rather be his Choice, than part with that Badge of Honour, since his Personal Reputation, and

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that of his Troop, depends thereon. If at any time he fuffers it to be carried, it ought to be by one of the floutest, and comeliest in the Troop. In the Lieutenans's Absence he commands. He is to shew submissive Respects to his Superiors, and to carry himself obligingly to all; for to make Friends, and to have no Enemies, is the way to Preferment.

#### Of the Lieutenant.

Ititute, in whose Absence he hath the Care of the Troop, so should have Courage, Experience and Prudence to know how to act in his L<sub>3</sub> place,

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place. He gives Information of Omissions or Commissions, and of all that relates to the Troop. To make the better. Inspection he visits the Men, and views their Horses, and recommends to them the care of their Arms as well as Horses, and should carry himself so as to be loved and feared. The Brigadier and Quarter-master are to be incouraged and countenanced by him in performing their Duty, that nothing be suffered to be amiss.

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## Of the Captain of Horse.

Ith the Qualifications of Courage and Conduct, he is to have Experience in his own, and others Business; he leads his Troop where commanded, and accordingly gives Orders to those under him; he instructs, and leads his Men on, and off, and takes Care they be well mounted, and armed, that all be in good order. He. discourages Debauchery as the Weakener of Purse and Body, and the inlet to Pilfering and Effeminacy; to prevent which, hard Duty and frequent Exercises may be conducing. The good Cap-L4 , tain

tain will therefore himself fee that his Men be duly exercised, that upon any sudden occasion they may be fit to be drawn out for Service. He will incourage Well-doers, and give publick Marks of Favour to provoke Emulators to make themselves worthy of the like, by which means he will gain Love, efpecially when his Men perceive that they are personally by Name taken notice of. Our Captain, if indued with a generous Soul, doth influence those about him to give him Respect and Esteem; for whose Heart would not run after him that values Virtue and Honour more, than all the World besides, even than Life it felf, which he regards not when the Publick Interest

rest and his Reputation is the

Question?

It is not to be doubted but he that moves in this Station, hath by long Service and Perfonal Merit attained this Post, where before having learned to obey, he knows the better to command, and upon all Occasions how to behave himself whether under good or bad Events, so as that he will not give opportunity, nor suffer any to be let slip, but will take hold of all Occasions, and give the Enemies none.

Being thus qualified he will be feared, and obeyed, which in Military Affairs is of abfolute necessity; for though fome Injunctions may feem to be but of small moment, and that their Non-observa ance may appear to be a Matter of no Consequence, yet little Omissions often prove fatal; therefore all Orders should be punctually obferved,

#### Of the Colonel of Horse.

of Honour, Merit and Experience; if he hath formerly commanded in the Foot Service, he is the fitter for this Station. He leads the Regiment to Action whether in the Van, Rear-guard, or main Body; and if Merit hath introduced him, then he marches with the more affurance. His great Care should be, that all under his Com-

Command discharge their Duty, that nothing be wrong, but that his Prince be well served, and that Things be so carried, that his Honour may not suffer any Reslection, therefore he will have the Men often drawn up, exercised, and mustered, and will rather have Supernumeraries, than that his Numbers should not be compleat.

It is the Honour of a Colonel that it should be so; it is his Credit to have his Regiment well Manned, mounted and armed; some would chuse rather to retrench from their own Property, than suffer any defect in their Power to redress: Which honourable Pride is not prejudicial to their particular Interest; for when the time of dif-

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disbanding comes, those Regiments are likeliest to be retained, where each Man. looks like an Officer, and each Officer like a General Commander; and upon a View they will have not only honourable Encomiums from their Prince, but in likelihood will be of those that shall be retained when other Regiments shall be broken. Thus by making others do their Duty, he discharges his own, and thereby deserves the Name of Colonel.

### Of the Major-General of Horse.

T is highly conducible for the good of the Army, that those in this Post be qualified, for the executive part depends on him, which is the more difficult from intervening Accidents, change of Place, and from Reports; therefore good Sense, Courage and Conduct, should not be wanting, for the receiving and giving Orders is his Province, and upon good Grounds he gives Information of all Proceedings even to small Accidents; all which, to prevent Mistakes, should be fet down in writing.

Thus the Major - General must join with Force Wistdom, and with his Courage Skill, and couple the Foxes Tail and Lyon's Skin together.

Of the Lieutenant-General of Horse.

Le should be a Person cut out by Nature for great Things, one whose Experience and Judgment should be such, that all Things may be easy to him, who being versed in every Man's Duty, and having Courage, is placed thereby above being in a Hurry tho in the midst of Confusion; then it is that Judgment may

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may be of greater use than the Sword.

When Persons are elevated to this Station, if they have Personal Merit their Authority will be much more advanced, than if Birth, Quality, or Eldership had preferred them. Persons thus qualified are deservedly stiled the Generals Eyes and Hands, for they do act as Occasion and Prudence requires, as well in reference to offend, as defend, or to secure the Camp, and answer Supplies. His Care is awake Night and Day for Camp and Quarters, to furprize or prevent Surprizes, which being regularly performed whatever the Success may be, yet he loses no Honour; and though Envy speaks well of none, yet his

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his Courtesie, Affability and Humanity to all, with Generosity and seasonable Liberality, accompanied with a free and an open Table, will conquer even Malice it self, and make the most malevolent join in Ecchoing forth the Commendations of this our Captain, who in this shews himself great, in that he acts and lives like himself, as well in Quality as Merit.

#### Of the General.

T may be said, That he is not only one of ten thouland, but even sometimes the one of more than a hundred thousand; and so deferving he may be, as to be more worth than many thousands of the rest. Such was the Voice of the People in David's time, they very well knew that the Body must suffer in common with their Head, therefore their Care was in a particular manner to preferve that, as the Means on which their Preservation depended. As he is the greatest so he ought to be the most excellent in all Heroick Qualifications, and

and Noble by Birth. Tho' this Post may be conferred as a Recompence to Virtue and Merit, where noble Birth is not, yet this Place is best adorned when filled by a Perfon of Honour, and one that is born great, whose Quality shall give him a Reputation, which when therewith indued with Virtue, Experience, Conduct, Liberality, and Affability, and these accompanied with an awful Majestick Mean, he shall thereby influence Love and Fear in all concerned with him. As he is the greatest fo he ought to be the most deferving, which Defert will fet a Lustre on all his Commands and Actions. This eminent Post in which he moves, makes all good and evil

evil Successes to be most remarkably his, and as the Honour, fo the Faults lie at his door. There are few Faults, but the Consequences of them are fmall in comparison of those committed in Military Affairs; for where an Army is routed, and thousands cut down, Countries and Towns pillaged, deftroyed and burnt, besides the dishonour of a shameful Flight, and sneaking into Holes and Corners, whilst the Enemy rides in Triumph over Bag and Baggage, and the Honour and Reputation of the Conquered, which finister Accident is attended with so many Difcouragements, that the Loss and Dishonour is seldom or never retrieved, except Despair gives new wings to Adion. But

But when Success followeth our Hero at the Heels how honourable is it in particular to himself, and how useful to his Prince, and Country, which gives occafion for his being registered in History, where Posterity finds him aMonument of Fame left on Record for future Ages to imitate. In short, as his Faults are irreparable, and cause Sadnesses, Sorrows, Tears and Lamentations, Miferies and Slaveries; fo the contrary gives Joy even to Transports, and fills the Mouths of each with Acclamations, and Expressions of Praise; and whereas the one one hath Death and Defolations writ in the Countenance, fo the other hath painted Joy and Gladness, to which every Mo-

Motion of their Bodies are fo many Contributers to express it.

Thus it appears requisite, That the General be not only great as to his Birth, but alfo as to his Personal Merit; and to fay all, a Soldier, who with these Qualifications if attended with Success, will have his Head crowned with Honour. But if Fortune prove unconstant, then the most reasonable Attempts will be condemned, though he may deferve by his Conduct more Honour than the Conqueror. But why fpeak I of Fortune, as if Providence did not predominate over Human Affairs? This Fortune is no more than a Chimera, the Idol of Fools, for though Success be attributed M 3

buted to her, yet it is God that gives the Victory; it is not always to the Wife, nor the Strong, nor yet to Numbers, to whom Success is given, God referves to himself the disposal of Victory that none might boaft. But fingle Instances of God's Power are not to be relied on; for tho' he hath been pleased to give Victory by disproportionable Means, as that one should kill a thousand, and a few put ten thousand to Flight, yet in our Days we have no Reason to expect fuch Miracles, but rather Deliverances, by a course of means which God himself hath appointed, and recommended by his Examples to Mankind, not fuffering his own Armies (among whom he

he had fet up his Standard) to enter upon Action in their promised Land, till they were become a Multitude; and we may as well expect. Health and length of Days, without Food and Philick, as Preservation in War without necessary Preservatives; among which Preservatives, the wife General deferves the first Place, as being the chief Means, if qualified, and for those other Necessaries required they must be had in readiness in time; thus being well fupplied, and armed, and the Duty wisely and faithfully discharged, the Success must be left to God.

Since Military Means are fo necessary, and that the General is the Head, there-M 4 fore

fore he is supposed to have Qualifications to fit him for Action, and to command People, and Countries at home and abroad, and that he have a Tincture of Literature and Arts, that he be not imposed on by bold Recommenders of Trifles. Also to be provident and liberal, are requisite Qualifications. He should be a Prince in his Temper, yet sparing where Reason calls for it, not believing himself lessened by taking Cognizance of the minutest Things relating to good Hufbandry, that Stores be not wasted: The preventing Spoil and Havock is as much the Province of a General, as those more sublime Actions of Battels, Sieges and Surprises; by good Husbandry

bandry, and a provident Care, Multitudes may be preserved from Want and finister Accidents. Also the General, with his other Acquirements, should know the Country where the Seat of War may be carried on, therefore in time of Peace Rural Recreations, as Hunting and Hawking, may inform his Knowledge; by which means he may be acquainted with Inclosures. Uneavenness of Ground, the Champion Country, Marches, Roads, narrow Passages, the Knowledge of which is use. ful to all Military Men. To be an accomplished Captain is obtained by great Labour and Industry; and though they may be born Soldiers, yet Experience is not attained but

but by Care and Application, as appears by the great Work he hath to do; on which depends his Care in reference to

Incampments, or Lodgings,
Marches, Ingagements,
Sieges, which are a mixture of
Incamping and Ingaging.

All which fall to be spoken of in the next Place in their Order. And First

Of Incampments or Lodgings, of which there are three sorts.

HE First is when an Army is on the Wing, waiting every moment for Orders to march.

The Second is when an Army hath furrounded a Place

in order to a Siege.

The Third Incampment is when the Army is in Apprehensions of an Enemy, and so obliged, to regulate its Motions with Caution; then where Nature is found defective, Art should supply by casting up proper Works for Security.

To which end he is to have in his Eye not only the Place where he is to Incamp, or Lodge, but also to consider the number of his Enemies with reference to his own, and to regulate his Motions to Offend and Defend; so that in Incampments or Lodgments he must have a regard to the Situation of Ground, whether Mountainous, Champion, or replenished with Villages: It is not always in the choice of a General to incamp where he desires, but is necessitated to take such Measures as present Circumstances will permit, though he aims at the being Master of rifing Grounds, and to have the Benefit of Water and Wood, and if possible of all narrow Accesses situated near him,

him, and accordingly he causes Intrenchments, A Champion Country is much more to be defired, than to have the Army dispersed in Villages, being more healthful, and less exposed to Incursions and Surprizes, and thereby better capacitated through the means of Intrenchments, to Offend and Defend. Also Incampments should be chosen for the Conveniency of conveying Supplies; for Obstructions on fuch Occasions have caused the Ruin of great Bodies, and occasioned unseasonable Decampments, and so given that Victory to those, which otherwise might have least expected it, had the Passages been open and free.

# Of Marches.

FRE is Secrecy required, whether it be to furprise an Army, a Party, or Place, or that it be to prevent being surprised in Marching, to which Speed, Diligence and Secrecy is recommended; for the being out-done, or the out-doing an Enemy in Marches, may prove the unhinging of Affairs for that Campaign to the one or the other, and fometimes proves the loss of advanced Troops, or of the Rear; and many ill Confequences attend fuch whose Unhappiness it hath been to be furprised. All Marches

are regulated according to the Country, either in order of Battel, or in different Bodies; and if they cannot come to their appointed Place by feveral Ways to lodge in one Body, then they are to lodge as they march, for sometimes Rivers and Hills, with other Inconveniences Ground, may cause a greater Compass to be made, than desired, so no express Rules can be given: Therefore Care is to be had in Marching for the Preservation of the Men, and Safety of the Artillery and Carriages, and to be armed against any Accident. It may be sometimes advisable to take different Roads; and if Decampments are made in the fight of the Enemy, then secure the Out-Quarters

Quarters to prevent being furprised; and though the Enemy were distant, yet Caution and Diligence is to be used according to the Nature of the way the Army marches as if he were at hand; for the manner of Marches varies according to the Places through which they are to pass, with respect to the Enemies distance, and number of Carriages, no Rules can be given, such are the numerous intervening Accidents; though some have laid down Methods for all forts of Marches, yet none can be tied up to them, fo that they are increased or diminished as may best anfwer the ends of fecuring the whole. Also by Marches and Counter-marches, there may

may accrue to the General as much Honour, as if he had gained a Victory, for an Enemy may thereby be baffled without Fighting.

### Of Ingagements.

Battel is of the greatest Consequence, and is attended with such various Circumstances, that it is hard to say any thing where so many Accidents may change the Scene, and call for new Methods.

Ingagements are not to be undertaken without the greatest Consideration, and that there be a Necessity drawn from Reason to defend

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or affault; the wife Captain will be always armed against Accidents, and if possible will fecure fuch Ground as may best sute his Number of Horse and Foot, with the Advantages of being Master of Rivers, Woods, narrow Passes, rising Grounds; and if the Wind and Sun will favour the Cause, it is so much the better. He will also have regard to the manner and form of Battel, and to the times of Ingagings whether by Night or Day, good or bad Weather, and that with respect to the Place; also the Numbers and Condition of the Enemy, with their manner of Practife.

But seeing nothing contributes more to a Conquest than Stratagems, therefore good

good Intelligence is necessary, and Spies useful, that Difcoveries may be made of their Affairs and Motions, as the manner of their Incampments, their Numbers, Intentions, Supplies; also fetting active Spirits a-work to disperse Reports and promote Disorders, may be necessary: No Mony is better imployed than what is spent on Spies and Guides, for by their Intelligence Measures are taken; and accordingly Horse and Foot are disposed so that they may best succour each other: To effect which, a Forefight and Presence of Mind, with an Eye every where, is requisite to regulate Affairs for the Benefit and Security of the Army, which ought more to be re-N 2 garded

garded than to offend an Enemy by destructive Measures; a Fault of which some great Men have been guilty, not caring fo they did but attain their Ends how dearly it was purchased, nor how many perished, so the Victory were but obtained.

What need more be faid than that, whether there be occasion for retiring or purfuing, there is always required Virtue, Industry and Courage, never to appear but with fuch Resolution as may give Hopes though in the midst of Dispair? A regard also is to be had to the Purfurers, and Pursued, of the Captives and Wounded, as well Enemies as Friends, for Mercy and good Quarters should ever be the Portion of the Unhappy. After

· After the Ingagement is over, Thanks should be returned by both Parties; for the greatest Sufferers may find Matter of Thanks, that Things are not worse, and that they are left Monuments of Mercy at a time when Death reigned fo, that perhaps there mighe not have been left living sufficient to bury their Dead, which makes the return of Praise more reasonable in those that remain living.

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As to Sieges, they are a mixture of Incamping and Ingaging.

OWNS as well as Persons have a Fate that hangs over them; for as there is none which first or last have not been more or less besieged with Humane Infirmities incident to them, fo there are few Towns that ever escaped the Fate of being besieged, though Time may have worn out the Memory thereof. Such Defigns ought to be carried on with Secrefie, and feigned Marches and Counter-marches, amufing the Enemy by giving a JealJealousie to adjacent Places, as if the Storm were to fall on them each in particular, that through Incertainties, not knowing where the Storm will fall, they may be obliged to divide their Forces, which may give opportunity to furprize the Enemy, when they shall not know where to fend Supplies. After having fecured the Avenues, then with Diligence proceed to Action, for the sudden fetting down before a Place gives Terror; which being invirioned, then Egress and Regress is to be prevented, and the Camp is to be fecured by Lines of Circumvallation and Countervallation, which are a Shelter from the Enemies Sallies, and from Attacks from without. Also Pro-N 4

Provisions are to be secured coming to the Camp, which cannot well be effected if the Besiegers be not Masters of the Field.

Early Information is to be had of the Situation of the Place, how Manned, and stored, and of its various fort of Works and Avenues, with the manner how the Ground and Rivers lie, that Approaches may be Regular, and the Enemies prevented being relieved; that Heights be secured that the Camp be not annoyed. Also Portable Bridges are to be provided for passing Rivers, and to facilitate Communication. The chief Commander being vers'd in the Inginier's Business, can the better satisfie himself in all Advances made, whewhether of Approaches, Lodgments and Works, of what Nature foever. As to Mines, though necessary, yet are they to be suspected, for Countermines make them perilous, and often prove the Grave of those who designed them for their Enemies Destruction. That Labour in that kind may not be loft, Care ought to be taken to dispose them so, that instead of being a Service, they may not prove a Prejudice to the Enterpriser. In all respects Precaution is necessary, whether it be to carry on a vigorous Siege, or a lingering one by Blocade.

Believing our Commander accomplished, and that his Merit, not Character of Great only placed him in that Sta-

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tion of Trust, and that he hath more essential Virtues to recommend him than barely his Birth, so needs no Intimations as to Particulars, for Methods daily vary according to Place and Times, new Measures are taken, so that express Directions cannot be given. And every Age improves, and new Discoveries are made, that what may be advisable at this Day, may be laid aside in time to come; general Ideas are only here given. What follows to be Spoke of is of defending Places when attacked.

### Of defending Places.

HERE is no Place impregnable; for as was replied by a Warlike Prince, to one who boasted of the Strength of a Fortified Town, That he never questioned Success if open at the top. Delays may be made, and by Courage and Resolution Time may be prolonged; but when an Army comes armed with Resolution and Strength, the strongest Place at last must yield; though many times Providence hath frustrated Intentions from the lateness of the Year, the coldness or wetness of the Season, and from unforeseen Wants or furfurprising Accidents, Necessity hath taught Men the Art of Fortification, to supply the defects of Nature by additional Works, which Art hath from Time to Time improved; and though no Place can be made impregnable, yet Fortified Garrisons are Hindrances to the pro-

gress of an Enemy.

Seeing Bulworks are thus necessary to Frontiers, and rubs in an Enemies way, which amuse while Time is gained: Therefore Fortisted Places should be timely supplied with Necessaries, and such Governors as have Qualifications for their Trust, of known Fidelity and Merit. Favour and Affection ought not to take place in such Cases; a Soveraign may be de-

deceived by a Favourite's Recommendation, who for Mony, or Affection to his Friends, may introduce unfit Objects, who as they bought their Trust with Mony, may fell the Place for the same Mettal; fometimes a Mule loaden with Gold hath taken fuch Fortresses, that have been reckoned amongst the number of impregnable ones. The Soveraign's own Experience of the Governor ought to take place, he should be induced therefrom to make his Choice, for without Treachery Garisons are sufficiently exposed to Accidents; the Men may be wearied, fpent, and fick, through over hard Duty. Also Magazines may be blown up, and Want may reign, that Friends within within may become a part of the Danger, as well as the Enemies from without.

Another Inconveniency is that Princes are often deceived, and made believe that Places are better stored than they really are; therefore Inspection should be made. that what is intended as a Garranty against unforeseen Accidents, may not be imployed in Luxury and Oftentation; for fuch is the Prodigality of some, and Covetouiness of others in Trust, that to gratifie their Vice they will rather have full Bags, than see their Prince's Magazines well stored; and care not, though the Soldiers be clothed with Rags, and beg for that Bread that their detained Pay would have given

given them. But some will chuse rather profusely to fpend, than supply the Wants of these miserable ones. It is not only Mony that is aimed at, but they exhaust the very Stores, and Powder, and that on Saint's Days, and at other times of Iollities also, without regarding the Consequence to have Magazines emptied, whether through Covetoufness, Vanity or Zeal, for fome Tutelar Saint. But they hope the evil Day may not come in their time.

To prolong a Siege Outworks are necessary to keep the Enemy at a distance, in which one Man is sufficient to answer ten without. There should be a sufficient Strength of Horse and Foot, and

and proportionably Stores for both, with Requisits to make new Works, and for repairing Breaches. Let frequent Sallies be made, but by a few; it is better than with great Numbers, for it prevents Disorders in retiring. A few refolute Men in two Hours may destroy, what great Numbers cannot repair in many Days. They should be frequent, and at uncertain Hours; if vigoroufly carried on, they may keep the Enemy at a distance. All Fortifications without, and Provisions within, should be timely effected, that the Enemy may find the Place provided, and in good order. Let the useful Inhabitants be imployed, and the useless fent away; have a Scrutiny made

made into all Stores, and let Care be taken that nothing be concealed nor imbezel'd; that the Soldiery be spared from working, alloting them their Hours of Rest, with Incouragements to attack or defend their Works and Breaches.

When a Governour hath done all possible, and that no Succours comes, and that the Garrison is straightened, and no appearance how to prevent falling into the Enemy's Hands, having discharged his Trust, it is then his Duty timely to capitulate, as much as it was before to maintain the Place; after which he may with Honour appear before his Prince, from whom he deferves Encomiums for his Fidelity and good Conduce,

duct, and for his timely faving himfelf, and those that
remained with him by a
timely Rendition, reserving
himself and them for better
Fortune, than to be exposed
to be facrificed in a Storm by

the Enemy.

Faults in War are irreparable, for the Commander hath but that moment of Action to manage, which if let flip, or is mis-implied is not retrievable, therefore he is concerned to confider what fort of People he hath to do with, that accordingly he may arm himself with Refolution. There are some of fuch hot fiery Spirits, that to fland their first Brunt requires great Resolution, which Ardency being allayed, are much easilier managed. Such

Such Furioso's meeting with Discouragements become so unspirited, that they often with their Courage lose the Honour of the Day; fuch can hardly if ever be got to rally again; while others more obstinate will weather their Difficulties, whose Courage increases by opposition, and will maintain their Ground, or fell every Inch at a dear Rate.

Some Nations have signaliz'd themselves in making brave Attacks, falling on with Vigour and Gallantry; and others by a persevering Obstinacy have shewn their Courage standing like Rocks, and bearing the Shock and Storms of the Affailants. As some have the Reputation for taking Places, so others have

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have signaliz'd themselves in defending them. Also there are those which are very expeditious in making Incursions and Inroads, of incredible lengths. Some make speedy Conquests, but let them go as foon; like the Northern People, who have over-run Nations, yet never established any Empire; they were great Enterprisers, but their Government like a Morning-Dew foon vanished, and like Thunder and Lightning they gave Terror and Amazement, but was of no continuance.

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Of the Artillery, and the Officers belonging thereunto.

Rtillery in an Army is a great Contributer to Victory, though a Cumber and a Charge, that formerly the World was not acquainted with; but now is become fo essential to the carrying on a War, that no Victory can be expected where it is not; therefore great Provisions are made of Guns and Powder, whose Invention furely was borrowed from Lightning and Thunder, both having the same effects to give Terror and to do Mischief; but their Noise animates the Spirits of those ingaged in Action. The

The Charge is great, for many are the Materials of which an Artillery is composed; for belides Guns of all fizes, with Powder and Ball, there are Mortars, Petards, Bombs, Grenadoes, and other Ingines of Destruction, with Combustibles for Fireworks; all which require Carriages that have their Drivers, and Artificers at hand, as Gunners, Smiths, Carpenters, &c. Also Instruments for breaking Ground, raising Batteries, making Trenches and Mines, &c. And with the number of Necessaries, there must be found Pontons, Ladders, Oc. that whatever Accident arrives, there may be nothing wanting. Also for Subfistence there must be Grain of all

forts for Horse and Men, with Mills, and Ovens; all which, when together, swells to so great a Bulk, that this Warlike Retinue alone looks like an Army, and is under the Conduct

Of the General of the Artillery.

Man of Quality, having Experience of the particular Offices and Business of every one under his Command, and to know what is necessary for the undertaking any Enterprize, whether in the Field, or at Sieges, among the rest that of the Duty of the Ingenier, therefore he should be versed in O 4 the

the Mathematicks, the better to judge of the Merit of those in that Post; whether they have Courage as to dare expose themselves; and also in Arts, if able to improve Fortifications, to mend Faults, and to make a true Judgment of Heights, Depths and Distances, and to point accordingly to the best Advantage; also how to make Approaches and Lodgments, and to place and raise Batteries, and with safety advance his Works.

It is the General of the Artillery's Care that none be in Posts, but such as are capable to discharge them; as also, that there be no want of necessary Munitions of War, nor Provisions of any fort; that Stores be not imbezel'd nor decayed, but that timely

timely Recruits be made in all Particulars.

#### Of Provisions.

Ithout Provisions great Bodies cannot be kept together, who are a continual Consumption of Stores, whose particular numbers ought to be well known, and additional Allowances made, lest there be a falling short. That there may be no Waste, there is a Purveyor appointed who procures also Supplies, and appoints proper Places for Stores, with the times when they are to be delivered out; and that he fee there be a proportionable number of Bakers, who with all the other Officers relating to the Stores, are under the Command of a

#### Commissary-General.

W HO ought to be a Man of Authority, not covetous, but faithful, vigilant, and skilled in buying and chusing the best, and difposing all to the best Advantage, for the Good, Ease, and Conveniency of the Army; and that what is procured may be conveyed under fafe Convoy: This Care is the more necessary, in that the Welfare of an Army depends thereon; for Want destroys more than Fatigues, or ranged Battels. Therefore Supplies

plies are made before the Army march; and all Things are to be regulated, that there be no occasion for Com-

plaint.

The ill managing this Trust may ruin the hopefullest Enterprize; Thoughts of finding Supplies on the Place are not to be relied on, but he is to arm himfelf for the worst, for the Enemy may have either carried of or destroyed the Effects. Therefore Magazines are to be dispersed for the best Advantage for the reception of Stores, of which there should be provided before-hand in the Camp a competent Provision for a certain time, that Disappointments may not bring Disorder. Therefore Supplies should never

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convoys, who should have their Marches appointed at uncertain times. Also Inspection is to be taken that there be no Abuses from the Keepers, nor Deliverers of Stores, nor from Sutlers, and that such as are found Offenders in that kind be made publick Examples.

## Of the Baggage.

bersome Body, so we may say of the Baggage that it is a very troublesome Equipage, which in some Places exceeds more than in others, and that from the Negligence of those that should see Abu-

fes regulated, by reducing the Bulk to a less Compass; to effect which, each Soldier with his Arms and Budget should carry some Days Provisions with him, for those most inured to Fatigue are the likeliest to obtain Victory; for it is observable, that as those who can keep fresh Troops for Action to the last, fo those that can weather Want, and indure Labour longest, are likeliest to obtain the Victory. But where Idleness reigns, so that every Soldier must have his Onhanger, what can be expected from fuch flothful Companions? Therefore that loofe Gang that follows Camps should be discouraged, for from these it is that Effeminacy, Want, and Diseases,

Of the Master of the Waggons.

reduced to as fmall a Retinue

as possible.

Is Business is to take charge of all Carriages, to order their Marches, to see them quartered, and supplied with Necessaries for Horse and Man. He should have under his Command Persons skilled in the Roads, and

and in driving with such a number of Artificers as may answer any Misadventure that may happen in the

way.

He ought to have been brought up to driving, and himself to understand the Roads through which he is to pass. His Business is to take daily Inspection into his Crew, and timely to supply Defects of both Man and Horse, and that all be kept in good order.

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Of the Subservients to the Army; as Aides de Camp, Chaplains, Physicians, Chirurgeons, Provosts, Guides, Spies.

## Of Aides de Camp.

Gentleman, whose Business is to attend the General.
He is as an honourable Messenger that carrieth his Orders, which are not to be
questioned. It is requisite
that he have Courage, Wit,
and Fidelity, which with
the Annex of Prudence, by
improving himself and being

# Of Chaplains.

Guides to regulate the Immoralities. As there are Directors for the disciplining and using Arms; so each Regiment should have its Chaplain to direct them in Principles, and Conduct of good Manners. He ought to be a Man of good Example, one that carrieth in his Front the Character of Virtue, that his very Presence should be an Awe, and a Restraint to Licentiousness.

Of Physicians, Apothecaries and Chirurgeons.

HEY are that to the Body which the Priest is to the Soul; for the Health of both they are confulted, with this difference, the one gives his Moral Lectures in Health, as well as Sickness, while the others Business is only when Sick or Wounded, then they make Applications, and apply their Remedies. Each Regiment should have of these a competent number, as so many Supplements of Health, that none be neglected; that it be not faid, That more die for want of Skill, Means, and due Attendance,

shot. These Functions are honourable, and useful, and require suitable Incouragements; under which Head it may be no Digression to say, That it is the Phisician's Duty to have an Inspection into the Medicines, that he see they be good, and of Quantities sufficient to answer all Contingencies.

## Of Spies and Guides.

THEY are so necessary that without them the General would be in the dark, as to what Measures he should take in reference to the Enemy. There ought to be many of both forts, each

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a Stranger to the other; and as one gives Information of the Country, its Ways and Passes, so the other doth of the Enemies Motions, and Actings, and what is intended; these ought to be incouraged, but their Intelligence should not much be relied on, for sometimes false Informations and sham Intentions are spread abroad to amuse; and though among so great a number of Informers some may be unfaithful, yet Truth may be picked out, and Use may be made of their different Informations; what Mony is spent on these Occafions should never be regreted.

#### Of the General-Provost.

In the Army he is the Minister of Justice, by him Vice is restrained, and the Irregular kept in order: He is both the Informer, and Punisher of Offences; it is in his Province to regulate the Prices of Goods. He ought to be of an even Temper, unbyassed, and one that dares do right without respect of Persons.

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#### Of an Army.

T is a confused Chaos of armed Hirelings, a moving World, whose Business is to destroy; it is their Trade, and the Work which Nature seems to have cut them out for. This their fo boisterous Imployment hath qualified them with unpolished Minds, as well as with rough Bodies, with which they are capacitated to affault, defend, and pursue; to carry on which Work there is requisite, with their Strength, personal Courage and Valour.

This unwieldy Bulk is a most unsatiable, ravenous Ani-

Animal composed of Horse and Foot, under the Command and Conduct of a Chief, by whose Care it is supported by the Use of Gold and Silver, with Provisions for the Mouth, and War, without which Helps this great Bulk would foon melt and dwindle to nothing. Therefore the General's Care is to pay, and feed them, and to find them Action. But though they call them Men of Mettle, yet their Substance is neither Brass, Iron, nor Steel, for their Nature calls for a wherewith to support them answerable to their Stations, whether Foot or Horse, without which Courage will droop, and their Spirits will fink, and die with their hopes. But it is not sufficient to

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to care for the Sublistence of this unwieldy Body; for it must be made useful by Discipline, and to keep it in order, Justice must be exercised, without which Confusion will follow: Which leads us to the next Head, wz.

# Military Discipline.

Ifcipline is the Ligament that binds great Bodies and Societies, so that they hang together and become Corporate; the World could not continue without Discipline, it being in the Body-Politick as Nerves and Sinews are in the Body-Natural, that makes Bones, Joints,

Joints and Limbs hang together, and thereby useful to the whole Man.

If Discipline in Civil Society is necessary, it will appear much more in reference to Armies, where are affembled fuch numbers of the Dregs of Mankind, many of them being fuch that it feems as if the Places where they lived had spued them out as Nusances, even as the Stomach doth that which offends it; for Armies are the common Receptacle of all forts, by which Ages from time to time are purged from their so vicious Humors. It may therefore then be afferted, That to fuch a Body that is composed of so many loose Corn and Chaff, (tho' there may be some good Grain among

among them, yet feeing that the other makes the most numerous part) it is necesfary there should be appointed a rigorous Discipline, without which instead of being useful they would become the Plague, and Ruin of that Country and Place that raised them for their Safety. Therefore Military Laws should be kept up, that Virtue may be incouraged and recompensed, and Offenders find examplary Punishments; to prevent which Grievance, let the Soldiers be kept in Action, and be inured to the daily Practice of Military Exercises, as the several Motions of their Bodies, the Use of their Arms; which should be practifed by Horse and Foot, as being essentially

tially conducible to Vi-

ctory.

It is of absolute Necessity that Soldiers be inured to Labour, for thereby Health is preserved, and Mony not only spared, but gotten; let therefore their idle Hours be filled up by Labour, whether in Fortifications or other Work; it is good in Peace or War to keep them imployed, thereby Wants may be supplied, and by often using their Arms they are kept from Rust: Also the Soldier by Labour and Exercise, is preserved from many Evils and Irregularities, and finful Shifts. By Industry not only Corporal Punishments are prevented, but even Death it self; for when Men are given up to IdleIdleness, it exposes them to Shame and Extremity. But Labour is a bitter Root, tho' it bear happy Fruit, and hath Salutary Effects, for Victory is more likely to be the Lot of the Laborious, than the Effeminate and Idle; the former hath a right to it from Merit, it being the Portion of the Diligent and Industrious.

But to proceed further, the inducing Causes why such great Bodies are gather'd together, are either from Necessity, Ambition, Honour, or Lucre, and some through hopes thereby to live uncontrolled licentiously, to bridle such, and that Necessities may be supplied, and Opportunities given to gratisfie Emulators of Honour, and that

that Virtue may not be unrecompensed, nor Vice unpunished. Therefore it is that Military Laws are made, and Obedience injoined, and a severe Discipline established, which cannot be infringed without the Offenders sinning against himself, and his own Interest, nor can any thing go well without an observance to Order; for on that Hinge Obedience, it is that all the parts of that great Body do move, without which nothing can be effected, and for want of which all would go to Ruin and Confusion.

The Benefits of a Military Discipline consist in this, in that it injoins the observation of Laws, prevents Disorder, gives Honour and Recompences

compences to the Deferving. By the Terror of Punishments inflicted on Offenders it is that they are made to fear, by which means many are faved from Shame and Punishments; even Death hath thereby been prevented, for Fear, Shame and Death. are Barricades that prevent committing many Evils. But it is not reasonable that those who have lifted themfelves, and receive their Prince's Pay, should be obedient and conformable to Orders, especially fince thereby they are intitled to those Advantages and Incouragements affigned as Recompences to Virtue; therefore it is but just that those Punishments, they draw on themselves by transgressing, should be their

their Portion for their Demerits.

But there are not wanting those, who are possessed with this Opinion, That in Camps the Laws lie dormant, as if the Sons of Mars and Morality, were incompatible: They alledge, That Armies, for the generality, are composed of the Lees of the People, fuch whom the Civil Government hath cast off as useless Members, and ungovernable: But this their Reason sheweth a greater necessity for having an established Government to restrain the Vicious, that of useless they may become profitable Instruments, that what the Civil Law could not effect, the Military might produce: Some like Trees in good Ground

Proprietors.

But in so mixt a Multitude there are always some found, who have had a Tincture of a generous Education, and are fuch as will despise fordid Presidents. Herein is the Use of Military Discipline, in that it restrains the Evil from bad Acts, and preserves the Good from a Degeneracy. Let it not feem to be a Digression to inveigh against that crying Evil, Swearing, that reigns among the Soldiery, and is one of the roaring Crimes in this Age, and calls for Vengeance: It were well if the Officers would by Example refrain

refrain this so unprofitable a Vice, which is the less excufable in not having those Inducements that attend other Sins, as Pleasure or Profit. But in Swearing there is neither Honour nor Advantage, nor can there be expected less than some tremendous Judgment for defying Heaven, and calling for Confusion to themselves and others, and that upon every triffling occasion. What shall fay? the Murtherer gratifies his Revenge, the Adulterer his Lust, the Robber his Covetousness; but the Swearer and Curfer fell their Souls at the cheapest rate of all other Sinners.

But to proceed; since Armies are the common Receptacle of Libertines, and the Place

Place (in the Opinion of most) where Vice rides in Triumph, therefore to rectify Disorders, a severe Discipline is fet on foot to punish Vice, and incourage Virtue; for every one hath a natural Propensity to desire Good to himfelf, and to be preserved from Hurt, who being informed of proposed Rewards for generous Actions, and that a good Demeanor is the way to obtain Honour and Profit, and that thereby the Door is shut against Penal Inflictions; and as Tranfgreffors meet with due Punishments, so Virtue finds its Rewards. Thus by these Reflections they incourage themselves in doing well, and hereby the Licentious in Armies are restrained, and Re-

Recompences made Inciters to Obedience. Therefore such as do well have Marks of Honour assigned them, and that with more Reason, when the Pay beareth no proportion with the Service performed, and for considerable Nothings they venture their Lives: Therefore that Prince that recompences not Courage shewn on perilous Occafions, may be faid to have neither Ears, Eyes, nor Ingenuity; much more those that refuse to give them their ordinary Pay, but instead of Praise and Money, recompence thefe unhappy ones with Hunger and Want, having served their turns, send them away with discouraging Disappointments. Such Disrespects to Merit, may discourage

Those deserve the Epithet of Fools, who for the transitory Pleasures found in committing Evil, expose themselves to Justice; though in Obedience to Laws, particular Criminals may be punished with Regret, yet Military Chastisements must be executed without by respect, that others thereby may be deterred from Evil.

Every Man hath a natural Propensity by which he is byassed to his desired Object, whether Good or Evil, so accordingly deserves Rewards

or Punishments, as the predominating Passion shall lead them; for to do Good or Evil are separate Acts of the Mind, and are as opposite one to the other, as that of looking up or down. It is thus accordingly to the Choice made. that Punishments or Rewards are intailed, though inflicted fometimes very unwillingly; yet as the Physician orders Physick to recover Health, and to preserve Life, fo Military Punishments, according to the Nature of the Fault, ought to be appointed for Chastisements, not Slaughters, in managing the which not only the Nature of the Offence, but the Circumstances of the Person are to be considered; for with some Shame or a private Re-Q 3 primand,

primand, will have a greater Influence to reform some, than more fevere Corrections with others. But some are so hardened, that they are incorrigible, fuch are only fit to be made publick Examples; to spare some fort of Offenders would be a Sin against the Publick, and a shewing Mercy to such as ought to be made Monuments of Terrour, which may be a President of fatal Consequence to the Publick; for unseasonable Mercies may be reckoned finful Commiferations, which may occasion Repentance when the Evil is past being retrieved. Peace and War have hitherto been our Subject, let us now say fomething of that which participates of both, and is neiemilian ther

Truce.

### Of a Truce.

Truce is a Respite, or a Cessation of Arms limited for a certain Time, and for divers Ends, as to bury the Dead, or in order to Peace, &c. Some call it a Camp-Peace, or the Armies Holy-day, where Hostilities cease, though the War doth not. A Truce between Turks and Christians differs only in length of Time, and is in effect a Peace, though it carries not the Name.

But with whom foever it is made, it ought to be religiously observed, though it 15

is best to make no Truce at all, it being but to grant a breathing time to an Enemy that is weary, and desires leifure to recruit Strength, to pursue the War with more Vigour. Truce is neither Peace nor War, but participates of both, and is as the Intervals between Night and Morning, and Day and Night, so it may be called the dawning of the Day, if a Peace fucceeds. A Truce hath commonly a Pretence to be in order to a Peace, and to promote it is proposed, though little less is intended than to be a Stratagem to circumvent. Also Experience hath shewn, That Fighting by Stratagems hath often had Success, when open Force could not prevail. Thus a Cessation

Cessation of Arms hath been fatal to those, who by open Force were thought invincible; these Intervals between Peace and War are not so desirable, could they be avoided, since thereby no Peace is obtained, nor yet is Hostility suffered. This space of time between Peace and War is more vexatious and uneasy than War it self, so that even Extremities are more to be desired, than dilatory Truces.

I question whether it be not better to fall down right, than to hang in suspence? To go on with Resolution is better than to make a stop, since a Pause may not be less dangerous than a Fall; and those that seek a Cessation do give occasion to suspect they

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are in a miserable Condition, when reduced to that Necessity that they can suffer neither Peace nor War.

In Offensive and Defensive War are two opposite Parties; but there is a third fort that espouses neither Interest, but stand by as Spectators, who are call'd Neuters.

## Of Neutrality.

HOSE who will be Neuters will find Reafons to countenance their Neutrality. Some are influenced from private, and some from publick Motives, Also Ambition makes some Neuters, and Coveteousness others,

thers, and there are those that from Necessity are so; and some are for blowing the Coals, and cause Clashings between Neighbours, that with the Frog and Mouse they may by the Bird of Prey be feized on with more Eafe, and fo reap the End designed of profiting by their difference, when wearied with Fighting. Thus, as is faid, Coveteousness also may promote Neutrality, having for end to monopolize to themfelves an uninterrupted Commerce, while Neighbours are imbroiled; for which Reason it may be faid, That they feed and profit by their Neighbour's Hurt.

It is a most unhappy Case when Necessity compels to a Neu-

Neutrality, that like Janus they are forced to carry two Faces. It is hard to be reduced not to know on which Crutch to rest. They are very unhappy who through Necessity are obliged to a Neutrality, for thereby they run a hazard to lose all, through on over-defire to keep all Parties, that instead of securing a Friend they intail on themselves a certain Enemy, and become the Object of the Victor's next Conquest. The Case is truly to be lamented when obliged to this hazardous Fate, either to fink or fwim with one of the contending Parties, or else to be exposed to be crushed for standing by Spectator, instead of being useful to facilitate the Conqueror's end.

It may in some Cases be said, That those that are not against us are for us; yet it is not always so taken, for Occasions for Quarrel are usually grounded from denying seasonable Assistances.

And the Truth is, Neuters are feldom counted otherwife than Enemies to both Parties, fince for not fiding with neither Party they are fure to have one for Enemy; though their Condition at present is sweet, yet like the Book given to eat was luscious in the Mouth, but prov'd bitter in the Belly; yet however evenly Neuters may carry it, there will be always fecretly fomething of an Inclination to one fide more than to the other.

It is to be confessed that sometimes a Prince is obliged in point of Honour to stand still, and not assist those whom, according to his Inclinations, he may be byassed to appear in their Favour; and such may be the Case, that Honour and Gratitude hath tyed his Hands so, that he cannot but stand Neuter.

It concerns those who find themselves thus hampered to carry evenly, and to use Prudence and Temper in so ticklish an Assair, waving all secret Tendencies that may be had to one more than to the other, that things be so managed that each Party be satisfied, and please themselves with this Belief, that if by assed on any side, it is of theirs.

To hinder Neutrality is as impossible, as it is for fome to avoid the Shame and Danger they incur thereby. There are also such that defire to stand Spectators, that they may the better fee which way the Game will go: There are those that will condemn with an artificial Grimace the Rupture made, cenfuring the one as well as the other, as wanting Forefight and Moderation, though it may be themselves have been the fecret Incendiaries: Such Reflections furely were the Cause that the Romans would never allow any to be Neuters, but they must either make themselves declared Friends, or be proclaimed publick Enemies.

It is confessed that those that are Neuters, while in that State, seem to have the Advantage of the upper. and neather Springs to inrich themselves, while their Neighbours are exhausting each other; but to hold the Scale so even requires Art, and may be of great Advantage, if they can perform officious Favours that are allowable to one, yet inoffensive to another, and fo obliging in Deportment to both, that may give occasion to fay, these are the Neuters, that neither lose their Friends, nor procure to themselves Enemies.

#### Of GERMANY; its Strength and Power.

Ermany is a vast Body composed of many Provinces, and replenished with a Warlike, Strong-bodied People: It lies in the Heart of Europe, and looks upon the rest of his Neighbours with Disdain, as so many lopped off Members, and Upstart Powers, its Haughtiness will not allow a Corrival; though its Fate be fuch, that it hath for Emulator France, between whom great Contest hath been for Empire, they being the two most transcendent Powers of Europe, who give Peace or War to their Neighnoinh bours,

bours, and are the two Corrivals for Empire, who for Ages have had Contests to the alarming all Europe, who were glad to take their Measures according to their Rise, or Fall, ever labouring to support the sinking State of the Decliner.

Had Germany the same Advantage that attends France, of being under one absolute Sovereign, it needed only its own Strength to support its Grandeur; but where there are many Heads, there the Feet are uneafy; neither can that Country be rich, where the Commonality is kept at under; which Grievance, if remedied in Germany, that Country would be richer, and the People more easy. It is to be wished, That the Condition

dition of those who labour under such Difficulties, were made more tolerable.

In times past Germany was the Romans Terror, but since the Seat of Empire hath been transferred to that Warlike People, who are the Bulwork of Europe, and the Turks Dread, who but for them might long since have over-

run all Europe.

Did this great Continent know how its Strength confists in the Union of its Parts, it would be no less a Terror to Europe, than if under one Sovereign; for Germany hath all the Advantages for War within it self, beyond any Nation in the World; what in respect of its great Numbers of Men, Arms, and Horse, with their long Experience

rience from many Ages, and natural Disposition to War, that even Nature seemeth to have cut them out for that purpose, having given them ffrong brawny Bodies capable to indure Hardships; who are also bold; couragious, and fearless in Danger. Cornelius Tacitus tells us in his 13th Book, That no Nation exceeds the Germans in Warlike Exploits, and downright Honesty. They are Lovers of Honour, and have had fince many Ages, the Character of a most Noble and Heroick People. They were Rome's Plague, and gave that Mistress of the World more Disquiet for many Centuries than the Carthagenians, or any other of her Enemies.

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They have within themfelves the Sinews of War, viz. Mines of Gold and Silver, and other Minerals, with all · necessary Munitions for Men and Horse. And what is most admirable is, That notwithstanding their many Discouragements, yet they perfift unweariedly in fupporting their Miseries, even for thirty Years together, and that in their own Rowels; which had they been united, they might with much more Advantage to themselves have directed their Strength against their common Enemy the Turk, or his Confederate, though the latter be the more formidable for Situation, Strength and Discipline. And though upon extraordinary Occasions they R 3 have

have called to their Affistance the Northern Crowns, who for that Reason may be stiled the Germans little Tartars, yet probably that they were cal-. led to Assistance, was more Policy, than Necessity. For it is not only the Commonalty of Germany, but the Nobility, and their Princes also, have at all times been renowned for War, having never wanted occasion to fignalize themselves, either through the Differences that arose among themselves, or from what Work was cut out for them by these two formidable Powers the Turk and France, between whom they are seated; the latter following his Ancestor's Steps, who ever opposed the Austrian Family, as having

a Jealoufy of its Greatness, 10 used Means to foment a Suspicion of the Growth of that Power, lest it should fwallow all like a common Inundation; for which end, to keep it under; Leagues were contracted with the Turks. Thus did Francis the French King enter into League with Solyman, and under pretence to fave himself, he pleaded Necessity, feeing that the Netherlands, Spain, and part of Italy, became so many Members of its Greatness, which were the Pretences with which he varnished over his fo unchristian-like Policy of joining with Infidels, to shelter himself from a supposed Danger; however, it is this Confederacy, and the Fears thereof, that have R4

have restrained Germany from putting in execution those great Designs it had framed.

Also Henry the Son of the faid Francis followed the same Methods, who by such Leagues indeavoured to divert the German Arms. And this present King, though for a different end, doth the fame; for he knoweth that to keep his Subject's active Spirits busied abroad; is the way to prevent their looking for Matter to work on at home; for his Subjects being numerous and poor, and the Nobility many, he finds ways to give them Imployment, and by keeping them low, their Fortunes depend on their Sword, and the King's Favour, who having in his Hands the absolute GoGovernment of Persons, and disposal of Estates, he is capacitated thereby arbitrarily to take fuch Measures as may best answer his Ends; and having these Advantages above his Neighbours, it is no wonder that his Dominions and Power is increased as it is at this Day, which has given him occasion to let the World know the Native and Intrinsick Strength of France, which till this King's Reign was not known, no not to it felf.

But what Satisfaction and Honour can oppressed Subjects have to see their number of Slaves is increased? Can Conquests be due, where Acquests are made by Breach of Faith? Surely those Coun-

Countries that are taken illegitimately, ought to have another Name given them than that of Conquests. It may be faid of some, That they are to Europe, what Hannibal was once faid to be to Rome, and Scipio to Carthage, that they were their Hammer, and Scourge.

It is to be lamented, That Christians cannot be content with those Boundaries that God and Nature feems to have affigned them, but they must make Incroachments. Is not the Turk an Enemy fufficient to bandy against? but that there must be found out Pretences to cloak ambitious Ends, to join in Confederacy with him. It were to be defired rather, that all Chri-

Christian Powers would join as One against that so common Enemy the Turk, of whom it may be faid with much more Justice what was spoke of Antony, That he delighted to Mangle, Murther, and Wallow in the Blood of Innocents. How can Christian Princes fo long indure that Power to reign, that holds their Christian Brethren in the Chains of Servitude? Would France join in this fo good a Work, or at least stand Neuter, the Controversy would soon be decided; but that great Prince is so intent on the accumulating Trophies of Honour, and aggrandizing his Fame and Dominions, that there seems not room left for any other Thoughts

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Thoughts to take place, than what tends to the gratifying that his so aspiring a Passion for Glory.

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One without just Provocation, and Reasons drawn from a good Cause, should enter into open Hostility.

To feek Peace by War, is like Angling for Fish with a

golden Hook.

When Ambition is the Foundation of War, Success

may be doubted.

Those necessitated to defend themselves, may more reasonably expect Success than the Aggressor.

Hasty Enterprizes are re-

pented of at leisure.

A General hath not only to contend with Men, but with Contingencies, as Want, Hunger, and Discontent, which are Enemies hardly to be vanquished.

It is safer to build on prudent Measures, than on For-

tune.

He that hazards least, plays the safest Game.

It is better to defend a Country by Justice, than to conquer one by Force.

By Circumspection in Peace the Disasters of War may be

escaped.

The noblest Conquest is where Love and good Offices

obtain the Victory.

He conquers that doth good Offices, and those are vanquished which receive them. He that defends his Country by the Sword deserves Honour, but he that maintains it in Peace deserves more.

Good Counsel and Intelligence is sometimes of more use than Arms.

War feldom answers the

proposed end.

Purchase Peace with Money, rather than acquire it by a long War.

An Enemy is not to be con-

temned.

The Conqueror ought not to refuse Proposals of Peace.

Enemies ought not to be slighted, tho' few in number.

Contempt had of an Enemies Strength or Merit, should not cause Security.

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Tho' an Enemy be weak in Power, yet is he not to be undervalued, for an animated Atome may incommode the stoutest Man.

A desperate Enemy is not

eafily beaten.

Enemies in Despair are to be feared, though they are

inferiour in number.

Necessity hath no Law; when compelled to Action to stand deliberating then is out of doors, there being only a Presence of Mind required, which being backed with Refolution, the Undaunted, in the midst of Discouragements, doth dare boldly aspire to Victory.

Difgrace is augmented if overcome by a lessened Enemy, and no Honour is gained by fuch a Victory; there-'orl T

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fore despise not an Adverfary, least you increase your Shame if overcome by him, or lose that Honour which might have been gained by Conquest; which are necesfary Consequences.

Know an Enemy before

thou despise him.

He that feareth not an Enemy knows not what War is.

Prudence is necessary in undertaking, and Resolution in execution.

Preparations secure a lasting Peace, and make way for Victory.

Never use Arms where you

can conquer with Money.

Overcome your Enemy by Policy rather than Fight.

When an Enemy cannot be opposed, then tolerable S ConConditions of Peace are wel-

To penetrate the Designs of an Enemy is a Mark of a piercing Capacity, but to conceal our own is to excell in Prudence.

Wife Parlies do sometimes more than armed Forces.

He that will not hear Rea-

fon is not fit to reign.

That Prince deserves to reign long, whose good Actions exceed his Works.

He that hath no Friend,

cannot be faid to reign.

Vice make Princes odious, when the meanest Man is made honourable by Virtue.

Those that excell not in Virtue, deserve not to command.

Good Actions recommend more than Riches.

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Examples of Virtue are of greater efficacy than Instructions.

A good Opinion is of more use than Riches.

He that will be esteemed must always do well.

A Kingdom may be thought invincible, when Immoralities are banished.

A Prince ought to be armed

against all Accidents.

One may begin a War, but the Victorious only can end it.

A prudent Jealousie is a commendable Qualification, the excess is of ill consequence.

That Prince may do what he pleases, when he wills nothing but what he ought.

That Prince that compasses his ends by Treaty, deserves more

more Honour than he that

overcomes by Battel.

Where a Prince hath lost his Authority, there Obedience cannot be expected.

Revenge is not laudable in a Chief, and often is the cause

of fatal Confequences.

A good Prince makes good

Subjects.

A Friend in an Enemies Council, is more advantagious than thousands in the Field.

All Contests, like Cockatrices Eggs, are to be crush'd in the Shell.

Opprobrious Words may incense, but not beat an Ene-

my.

Let a Door be open for a desperate Enemy to enter, either by Composition or Quarter.

Severity as well as Clemency are prejudicial, and may excite Rebellion.

Enemies are not to be infulted, nor triumph'd over.

Let your Enemies arming

cause you to arm.

Use as Friends those you would make yours, for Fire and Sword doth but quicken Resistance.

Some profit by Differences fomented among Neighbour-

ing Princes.

Small Shrubs by bending weather a Storm, when great sturdy Oaks are torn up by the Roots.

There is neither Prudence nor Profit in being of too open a Conduct.

Great Souls, like Rocks,

are immoveable.

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There is no Policy in having more Enemies than one at once.

Expose not to hazard more than what cannot be avoided.

Right Intelligence is requifite, as well in reference to ones own, as the Enemies Strength.

Set a good Face on a bad Matter, in the greatest Exigencies shew Courage and

Constancy.

To be first ready is advan-

tagious.

Ambition and Coveteoufness break Leagues and awaken War.

Fortune sporteth it self in making great little, and little great.

To boast over an Enemy is insulting, and provokes to Infurrection. Where

Where Want reigns, no

Discipline is observed.

The Commonalty is more prompt to Rebellion, than Battel; and apter to Talk, than Fight.

It is the Bane of Armies when Quality, and not Merit, are the Foundation of

Preferment.

Trust not where you have

been deceived.

It is needless to declare War against those prone to it from former Successes.

Breakers of honest Confe-

deracies deserve Censure.

He is in the wrong that gives the Cause of War, not he that feeks Redrefs.

Delays in Danger are the

Mother of infuing Evils.

Failings of Superiours make them them in the Eyes of Inferiours contemptible.

Well-weigh'd Counfel fel-

dom fails.

There is a happy Minute more worth, than all the Policies of War.

Fortune is no where so in-

constant, as in War.

One Hours Distaster may overthrow the Honour gotten, and ruin future Expectations.

Faults in War are irreparable.

Though Money be the Sinews of War, yet by Science, Prudence, and Personal Valour, Victory is obtained.

Success is not to be expected where Money is scant, and

Enemies abound.

He that gets by Conquest doth

doth much, but he that can keep what he hath gotten doth more.

Numbers are little avail-

able where Fear reigns.

The Captain's end should be Glory, not to be a Scourge, seeking by Conquest to build up, not to confound.

Those that are unfaithful to their own Interest, will

not be true to anothers.

Awe makes Tyrants obeyed, and Love Soveraigns.

Many Things are lost for

not being attempted.

Courage and Courtesie are great Ornaments to a Captain.

As Rewards are necessary,

fo are Chastisements.

A Captain ought to be diligent, watchful, and of a resolute Spirit; wise to command, mand, liberal to reward, and valiant to defend.

Happy is that Country where Men of Merit are not discouraged, and where Favours are not ill placed.

It is Valour's Badge neither to fear, nor to be too confi-

dent.

Fortune never waits on the Fearful.

Fear stifles generous Un-

dertakings in their birth.

Fear is honourable when it proceeds not from a personal Concern, but for the welfare of the whole.

Tameness in Officers is a Discouragement, and causes

Deferters.

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Nothing unarms a People like Effeminacy, Lust, Pleafure, and Idleness.

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Fortune and Prudence are usually Companions.

He that is feared by many,

hath reason to fear many.

He hurts the Good that

fpares the Ill.

Though a Wound may be cured, yet the Scar remains.

No Danger is overcome

without Danger.

Despair sets on edge Courage, and makes Cowards valiant, and spirits them in Combat.

The Effects of Despair are furprising, and have the same product which true

Courage hath in others.

Great Souls are capable of great Things; and if Power be annexed, then may be reasonably expected great Performances.

The Soldier should not only be daring, and bold, but have also a Faculty of contriving; for Invention is as necessary as Valour.

It is not safe to Disband Forces, while the Enemies

are on foot.

When an Enemy is secure, then attack him.

Let the Intelligence of your Enemies Motions be at hand, tho' they be far off.

Early inure an Army to Hardships, before Necessity

reduces them to it.

Let Courage increase with Danger; for by losing the one, you hazard all.

It is necessary in Officers to have a natural Propensity to

great Actions.

To stand the Enemies first Fury is the way to overcome.

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Fortresses should be Nurferies to undisciplined Soldiers.

The more Enemies the more Honour.

Cowards have Lyons Mouths, but Hearts like Hares.

A prudent Retreat is as honourable as a Victory.

Spend not time in Plunder till the Work is done.

The Generous will not be discouraged, tho' their Merit meets not with due Applause.

of Victor, that conquers basely.

Generolity is never so commendable, as when exercised towards an Enemy.

Victory moderated by Prudence, is splendid and safe.

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The falling on the Spoil hath often been the Bane of Armies.

To be sedate in a Hurry, and calm in Consusion, to preserve a Presence of Mind in the greatest Exigencies, are necessary Requisits in a General.

Disciplined Soldiers, without good Officers, will not answer the end.

Temerity is feldom fuccessful; but upon necessity Boldness exceeds Counsel.

Incounter not Enemies in

their height of Fury.

Those have gained Honour from the want of Courage in an Adversary, that else would have had Disgrace.

Ill use is made of Victory

when none is spared.

Old Veteran Troops ought not to be chosen for desperate Enterprizes, but young Years, and boiling Youth, who have no Thought but that of Success and Glory.

He that hath most Courage

is least cruel.

Private Men should have publick Marks of Honour, as a President to incite others to desire that their Heads may be crown'd with such Laurels.

There may be as great Cruelty in sparing all, as to spare none.

Victory should not thirst after Blood, nor be cruel to obtain it.

What Power and Policy, cannot bring about, Gold may effect.

The Question ought rather to be where the Enemies are, than how many, least it give to think that Fear, rather than Valour, made the Query.

The Sword dispatches quickly, but Fear strikes

down like Thunder.

He is soonest hurt, who feareth most.

Great Souls, in glorious Enterprises, have no sense of Danger.

The more Danger the more

Glory.

The Foundation of Military Knowledge should be laid even from Youth.

The time for Battel is, when Men are most spirited for Action.

An Army kept idle degenerates, and are troublesome fome Guests where quartered.

Never be confident of Victory, nor yet despair of Success.

Intestine Animosities ruin the greatest Bodies.

Aim at Numbers, but trust not in them.

Courage makes all Enterprizes eafy.

Delays may turn the Scales, fo that the Conqueror may become the Conquered.

It is an unprofitable Victory that is obtained by the Ruin of ones own Country.

That Victory is not perfect where the Heart is not made Captive as well as the Body.

To overcome by Clemency is more honourable, than to fubdue by the Sword.

Courage is shown more in the choice to die free, than to suffer a languishing Captivity in an Enemies Country.

An unlimited Power is of great use to capacitate the General to do great Things, which he that waits for Or-

ders cannot effect.

There is Incouragement to attempt a Siege, when the Governour is known to be capable of being corrupted.

The Knowledge of a Garrisons being over-stored, may as soon draw on a Siege, as when its Wants are discovered.

Palliate Difgraces, and call

Flights Retreats.

Let Spies be rather your Enemies' Subjects than your own.

Spies

Spies are the Generals Ferrets which are gained by Money, and preserved by Hope.

Fortified Places, Armies and Fleets, are vain Things, when God lends not a

Hand.

Perjury calls for Judgment, but more eminently when found in Princes.

He that can turn Revenge into Mercy, and Hatred into Love, is Praife-worthy.

A mean spirited Prince is rather the Object of Contempt than Fear.

Religion is the usual Cloak

for Rebellion.

Furious Spirits are seldom appealed by foft Words, nor Submissions.

It is best for Princes to judge only according to Equity, to do nothing but what is expedient, and labour not fo much to shew their Authority, as their Justice.

Vindicative Spirits are

their own Tormenters.

No Game is too great for Lookers on, fay Neuters.

Greatness and Care are

Twins.

Soveraigns are Judges here, yet they are judged themfelves, and arraigned at the Tribunal of every private Mans Cenfure.

Though Soveraigns are Gods on Earth, yet they fee and hear with others Eyes, and Ears, and are obliged accordingly to take Measures.

The Wise proceed to Action with Caution, but the Unexperienced are rash in their

Enterprizes.

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Sometimes Temerity is of more Use, and a greater Advantage, than more prudent Measures.

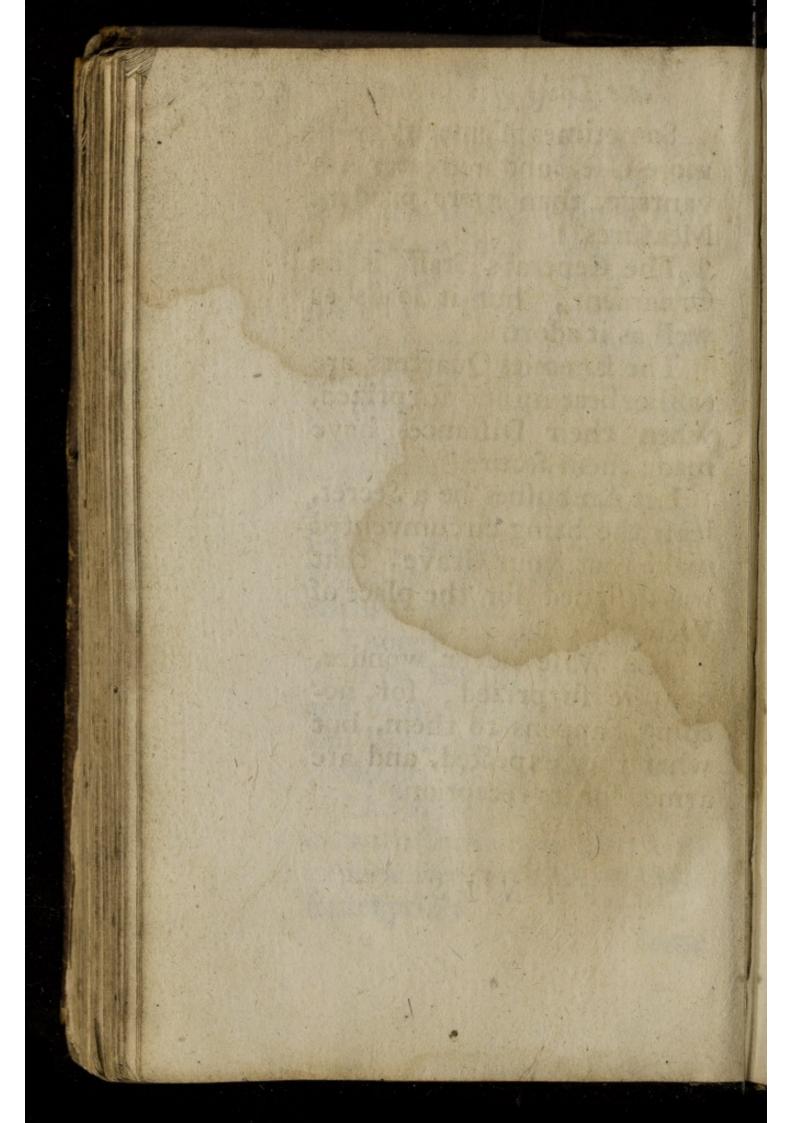
The General's Staff is an Ornament, but it loads as well as it adorns.

The Enemies Quarters are easilier beat up and surprized, when their Distances have made them secure.

Let Ambushes be a Secret, least the being circumvented make that your Grave, that was designed for the place of Victory.

The Wife never wonder, nor are furprized, for nothing happens to them, but what they expected, and are armed for its reception.

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