

The *English* were quite of a different Temper : Major *Washington* did not dare to attempt any Thing, because he had not Forces enough ; but from that Time all the *English* Colonies were in Motion to execute the Plan of a general Invasion, formed and sent from *London*, at a Time when the Commissaries of the *English* Nation at *Paris*, seemed to have nothing more at Heart, than to concur with those of the King in settling a Plan of Agreement:

The Facts which I am now going to relate, deserve a very serious Attention. It is with regret they are published: but the Interest of Truth requires it; besides, it is necessary that *Europe*, which is threatened with a bloody War, should at length know the true Authors of a Rupture, the Consequences of which cannot but be fatal.

On the 28th of *August*, 1753, the King of *Great-Britain* sent the several Governors of the *English* Colonies Orders respecting the Manner in which they ought to conduct themselves with regard to the *French*. As we have not the Orders, we can only judge of their Contents, by the Behaviour of the *English*. From the Instructions of his *Britannic* Majesty, found among the Papers of General *Braddock*, we learn, that he exhorted the Governors to unite their Endeavours for carrying into Execution a studied and preconcerted Plan.

On the 3d of *July*, 1754, his *Britannic* Majesty gave new Orders for the Execution of which, he sent the Governor of *Virginia* ten thousand Pounds Sterling, with Liberty to draw on *England* for ten thousand Pounds more.

On the 25th and 26th of *October*, 1754, and on the 4th of *November* of the same Year, the King of *England* wrote to the Governors of the *English* Colonies other Letters, which contained Schemes of military Operations, since one of the Instructions given the 25th of *November* 1754, to General *Braddock*, is, to consult those Letters and to act agreeable thereto.

All this could not be the Effect or Consequence of the Quarrels that happened at the *Ohio*: For it was impossible that the News of them could have yet reached *London*.

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