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# PREFACE.

**T**HE Title of this Book informs the Reader, That it contains the Acts and Negotiations of the General Peace concluded at *Ryswick*, and likewise of the particular Peace concluded at *Turin*, faithfully Translated from the Original publish'd at the *Hague*: The Editors of it in English thought they had good Reason to put it into that Language, because Our Nation hath, in this long and bloody War, contributed such mighty Weights towards the reducing the Kingdoms and States of *Europe* to the happy Ballance they at present enjoy.

The Efforts of the English Nation, in Concurrence with the Illustrious Confederates, have, in Nine Years time, broke those *Chains*, which cost the Expence of above 30 Years in their Contrivance, and by which the Liberty of *Europe* was so strangely and artificially entangled and encompass'd, that even *well-meaning Men* thought it more advisable patiently to submit to the insuperable

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