

profound Peace, when that glorious Prince, afterward *William III.* was raised up to save that sinking State from becoming a Province of *France* * : these will stand to the most distant Ages, infamous Monuments of the Pride, the Faithlessness and Inhumanity of that Prince.

IN the Beginning of this Century the House of *Bourbon* became more formidable to the World than ever. *Lewis* had by his victorious Arms carried Fire and Sword into the *German Empire*. The Emperor was on the Point of losing the Imperial Throne : *France* was ready to give Law to the whole *Germanick* Body, and of annexing *Spain* and *Italy* to the Dominions of the House of *Bourbon*. But in this important Crisis, when the Religion and Liberties of *Europe* were awfully threatned, GOD raised up the *British Marlborough*, to humble the insulting Tyrant, and free the World from Bondage. The memorable Battle of *Blenheim*, a Day never to be forgotten, gave a fatal Turn to

Turenne had destroyed two Towns and twenty Villages of the *Palatinate*, were but Sparks in Comparison of this last terrible Destruction, which all *Europe* looked on with Horror. The Officers themselves, who executed these Orders, were ashamed at being the Instruments of such Cruelty, — when he signed the Destruction of a whole Country, he was seated in his own Palace at *Versailles*, surrounded with Pleasures ; and it appeared there, only a lawful Act of Power, and the unfortunate Right of War. Had he viewed the Affair itself, it must have filled him with the utmost Horror. — Nations who had hitherto only blamed, while they admired his Ambition, now exclaimed aloud against his Barbarities."

- * This Invasion of *Holland* was in the Year 1672. *M. de Voltaire*, in his *Age of Lewis XIV.* gives us a shocking Idea of the Baseness of that Prince in this Attempt upon his "ancient and faithful Allies," and of the distressed State of that Republic. "It is singular, says he, and deserves to be remarked, that among all the Enemies that were going to fall upon this little State, there was not one that could alledge any Pretence for a War. — against *Turenne*, *Conde*, *Luxembourg*, *Vauban*, and an Hundred and thirty Thousand Soldiers, a prodigious Train of Artillery, and Plenty of Money ; all that *Holland* had to oppose was a young Prince, of a weak Constitution, who had never seen a Siege, nor a Battle, and about twenty-five Thousand bad Soldiers, who constituted the whole Guard of the Country."

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