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Origin of the war. Acts of hostility committed by France in America. The french incroachments there. The english ambassador remonstrates against their proceedings. Major Washington's expedition. Monckton reduces Beaufejour, and other forts in Nova Scotia. Other transactions in America, till the end of 1754. General Braddock appointed to command in chief, and arrives in Virginia. He marches against Fort du Quesne. Is defeated by the french. Consequences of his defeat. Reflections.

TO enquire into the origin of the war, it will be necessary to look back almost to the peace of Aix la Chapelle, in the year 1748; for we shall find, that very soon after that treaty, the french laid the foundations for a future war. In order to perceive this more clearly, I shall take a particular view of the proceedings of France in North America (the country in which the late commotions first began) from the abovementioned time.