

France with England, and which at the beginning had nothing in common with the war in Germany; and the other, which the King of Prussia waged against the Empress-Queen, and in which the King of England was interested as an Ally of the King of Prussia, and his Majesty, as guarantee of the treaty of Westphalia, and, after his defensive treaty of the 1st of May, as an Ally of the Court of Vienna.

France was cautious, in the engagements she was constrained to make with the Confederate Powers, not to blend the differences which disturbed the peace of America, with those which raised a commotion in Europe. In truth, his Majesty having always made it his principal object to recal each Potentate to terms of reconciliation, and to restore public tranquillity, he judged it improper to blend interests of so distant and complicated a nature, as those of Europe and America would prove, were they to have been jointly treated of in a negotiation for a general and final peace. His Majesty proceeded farther, and with an intent to prevent a direct land-war in Europe, he proposed the neutrality of Hanover in the year 1757; the King of England, Elector of Hanover, refused the proposition, and sent his son the Duke of Cumberland into his hereditary dominions in Germany, who, at the head of an army entirely composed of Germans, was ordered to oppose the march of those forces, which his Majesty, in pursuance of his engagements, sent to the assistance of his Allies who were attacked in their dominions.

The electoral army of Hanover finished the campaign of 1757, with the capitulation of *Closter-Seven*. The Court of London thought proper to break that capitulation, a few months after it had been concluded by the consent of the King of England's son; the chief pretence alledged was, that the army which had capitulated belonged to the Elector, and that the same army which, contrary to the right of nations and all military

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