

irreparable Mischief. *Charles II.* in the Time of his Exile took Shelter at *Cologne*, was kindly received by the Duke of *Neubourgh*, and treated with great Respect by the Imperial Diet, of which he retained a grateful Remembrance as long as he lived, and during the Course of his Reign held a friendly Correspondence with the Emperor and most of the Princes, as appears from Sir *William Temple's* Memoirs, and more particularly from the Life of Sir *Leoline Jenkins*. A Treaty of Marriage was once set on Foot between the Duke of *York*, and an Archduchess of *Inspruch*; and when the King was at War with the *Dutch*, he gave large Subsidies to the Bishop of *Munster*, who in return invaded the Territories of the States, and gave them a great deal of Trouble. The close Correspondence between King *James II.* and the Court of *France*, hindered his having much to do either with the Emperor or Empire, which proved of great Disadvantage to him, and in the End was one of the principal Causes of the Success of the Revolution. After which we came to have a close Conjunction with the Emperor, and a very friendly Intercourse with several Princes of the Empire, to whom we paid large Subsidies, for the Troops they thought fit to lend, for the Service of, what was called, the common Cause; and in which, exclusive of the Sums they got by the War, they seem'd to have at least as much Interest as we. So that while the *English* and *Dutch* were fighting the Battles of the Empire, as well as their own, they paid the *German* Princes for their Assistance; and those Princes received vast Sums annually, for doing what, according to the then System of Things, they should have done out of a pure Regard to their own Interest, since they all of them had Pretensions upon *France*, and expected Satisfaction,