

well as those in the *Low Countries*, when the latter were requir'd to be in the Field by the 1st of *March*, and the former not till the 1st of *May*.

And in the second Place observing, that the Payments were also settled in the same manner as before ; that is to say, 150000 *l.* before the Ratification, 100000 *l.* upon the Exchange of the Ratifications, and 50000 *l.* per Month afterwards ; and that the *Convention* had not been sign'd at the *Hague* till the 26th of *January*, they foresaw, That not above 250000 *l.* could be paid, and they had Reason to apprehend not a Shilling would be paid before this very 1st of *March* when the Army was to take the Field : Whence, and from the other Considerations above specify'd, in relation to the *Time* and *Manner* of Recruiting the *Austrian* Forces, it was notorious, That the necessary Levies could not be made by the stipulated Time, or indeed for some Months after ; and, consequently, that the Subsidy itself, would in a manner be thrown away.

In short ; when all these Circumstances are compar'd with what hath been already said concerning the *Russian* Affair, it will become evident almost to Demonstration, That the *two B—rs* had levied so enormous a Sum upon the Nation, not only with a Fore-Knowledge, That the Allies would be forc'd to take the Field in as feeble a State as they had left it, at the Close of the last Campaign, but with as settled a Resolution to manage in such a manner, as should render it impossible for them to do otherwise.

But that they may not say I have mistaken Presumption for Demonstration, I will leave upon me to shew that this Resolution of theirs, became more and more manifest, after that prodigal, but fruitless Measure had receiv'd the Sanction of P——: Or, at least, I will ask a few such Questions,