

shews the Wisdom and Foresight of the Emperor, as well as his paternal Care for the Welfare of his Country. His Wisdom appears in framing the Pragmatick Sanction; his Foresight in perceiving that the Debates about this Succession would embroil the Empire and all *Europe*; his Care and Tenderneſs in exhorting them to adhere ſteadily to this Guaranty, as the only means of avoiding and preventing theſe Miſchiefs. The States of the Empire were ſo well ſatiſfied of the Truth of what his Imperial Maſteſty ſuggeſted to them, that they readily conſented to what his Maſteſty deſired of them.

In their Act of Guaranty they ſay, that being ſenſible “ that the preſerving the Domi-
 “ nions of the Houſe of *Austria* undivided,
 “ was the only means of preventing the un-
 “ happy Diviſions, Wars, and Effuſion of Blood
 “ that muſt neceſſarily happen in caſe the Em-
 “ peror’s Dominions were ſeparated, and were
 “ capable of ſetting all *Germany* in a Flame,
 “ they, after mature Deliberation upon this im-
 “ portant Affair, and all the Circumſtances at-
 “ tending it, reſolved to thank his Imperial
 “ Maſteſty for his paternal Care, in endeavour-
 “ ing to prevent ſo many Miſchiefs, and for ſe-
 “ curing the Honour and Safety of the Empire,
 “ and therefore take upon them the Guaranty as
 “ he had demanded, agreeable to the ſecond
 “ Article of the Treaty of *Vienna*, by which
 “ his *Britannick* Maſteſty took upon him the
 “ ſame Guaranty, which ſecond Article is there-
 “ in at length recited, and immediately after
 “ the Words of this ſolemn Act of the Diet of
 “ the Empire are, We by theſe Preſents conſent
 “ thereto, accepting it entirely, and declaring
 “ that we will defend this Order of Succeſſion
 “ ſo