

will be thought pretty moderate. The annual Loss then of the Armies in the Field is 50,000, and of the Troops in Garrison 7000, together 57,000 ; which multiplied by 25, the Number of Years from 1688 to 1714 exclusive, will make the Total Loss 1,425,000 Men. I might have included the Years 1688 and 1714 : But I set the Loss of those two Years together with the general Loss by Sea in both Wars, to balance the Difference betwixt the Field and Garrison Duty of 250,000 Men, during the short interval from the Treaty of *Ryswick*, to the Commencement of the War.

THO' by this Calculation the Total Loss amounts to near a Million and a half, yet I am persuaded it is within the Truth : For it is notorious that before the end of the War, they were forced to fill up their Corps with Boys for want of better Recruits, notwithstanding the fifty Thousand Parishes they boast of. So great a Number of Men the most vigorous and robust being cut off from the Stock of the People, without replacing themselves to their Country by an honest