

with Assurances, that an honourable Peace would be obtained, or the War prudently, vigorously and frugally conducted; that a thorough Reformation would be wrought at Home, all Grievances redress'd, and we once more put on as good a Footing as the Revolution, or its Consequences, had at any Time put us. This Expectation was greedily entertained, nay, the Certainty of these Events reckoned on by some, because the Ministry was at this Time joined by a Set of Men, who had publickly declared they would never sit down contented, till they saw an entire Separation of the Electorate from *England*. Who not versed in Political Craft, would imagine that at this very Time the same Measure so condemned, so exploded, was carrying on, and indeed carried on truly to the Ruin of this Country? For if 16000 *Hanoverians* had been this Year taken into *British* Pay, as the preceding Year, and not 8000 only, the Victory at *Fontenoy*, tho' dear bought, had in all human Probability been ours. But instead of Victory, what happened on that Day an *Englishman* cannot without Grief and secret Compunction speak out. Our Enemies tell with Pleasure. I cannot let pass without Notice, the Manner of taking these Troops into *British* Pay.

A Subsidy was granted to the Queen of *Hungary* by the Parliament, but a Bargain previously made by the Ministry, that her Majesty should therewith pay eight thousand *Hanoverians*; and what was very drole, this Bargain was never denied at that Time, tho' it was designed purposely to screen the Blushes of the new Profelytes, and has been since owned, publickly owned, to have been made entirely in Complaisance to them. The Disadvantages of this Method were the Pretence it gave for new Levy-Money, as well as the Money generally paid for their Return to foreign Troops when