

introduc'd, it does not say *when*. The Consent of the Duke of *Tuscany* was sought ; whether ever obtain'd, I know not ; but in the Year 1723, (*Octob.* 25.) He protested, by a *solemn Act* at *Cambray*, against the Stipulations of the *Quadruple Alliance*, relating to his Dominions ; which * *Act* was repeated and confirm'd the 26th of *January* following. *Spain* never liked *this Stipulation* ; and before and at the Congress of *Cambray* desired 6000 *Spaniards* ; but the *French*, at that Time, did not care to risque an Accession of Power to the Crown of *Spain*, any more than the *English*. Both apprehended the King of *Spain*, at that Time, to have a Design of setting aside the *Renunciations*, founded on the Treaty of *Utrecht*, and of uniting *France* and *Spain*. The Persons in Power, in *France*, since the Duke of *Bourbon's* Removal, have been thought to wish for such an *Union* ; but as the *French* King hath *Sons*, those Designs must be laid aside ; and as *France* hath now no Reason to fear such an Accession of Power as *Tuscany* would be to the Crown of *Spain*, it is her Interest to promote the Introduction of *Spanish Troops* ; which may oblige the *Emperor* to keep a greater Body of Forces than formerly in *Italy* ; by which Means *France* will meet with less Opposition, if ever They attack Him in *Germany* ; as *Spain* will have a favourable Opportunity of enlarging their Territories in *Italy* ; and This will be a Foundation of Friendship between *those Crowns*.

The Queen of *Spain* could not have desir'd the Change from *neutral* to *Spanish Troops*, but upon the Hopes that her Son may be King of *Spain* ;

* *Roussët*, Tom. IV. p. 146.