

sides Wine, Fruits, and Salt. *Henry* having put an end to the Distractions of the *League*, and soon after to the War with *Philip* by the Treaty of *Vervins*, consider'd how he might improve that State of Tranquillity to the Advantage of his Subjects. With this View he introduced and established the Manufacture of Silk, which in less than half a Century was brought to such Pefection, that *France* besides her own Consumption was able to supply *England*, *Holland*, and the Northern Nations of *Europe*, with all those Silks they formerly had from *Italy*. And such is the Nature of Manufactures where they once flourish, one begets and promotes another. The *French* encouraged and enabled by their Success in the Manufacture of Silk set up a great many more, as Linnen, Canvas, Paper, Glass, Iron, Hats, and even *Woollen Stuffs*, with an infinite number of Toys in Ivory, Silver, and Gold. But as there is a received Opinion, that the Manufacture of Wool is of a late Date in *France*, I must be a little more particular upon it.