

equally probable from the following remarkable circumstances.

While the courts of Vienna and Berlin are in the same interest, and the Russians always ready to enter the empire, it is difficult to conceive whence any power can spring on that side in favour of France; and as in the present situation of affairs, Tuscany may be re-changed for Lorrain, &c. in favour of a younger branch of the Spanish monarchy, and Rouffillon recovered to the elder, to be effected by no other means than the present grand alliance, it necessarily follows, that the court of Spain will fall into the same interest, because the advantage is evident, and the interest mutual.

The resource of France, and what can only buoy her up with any hopes of extricating herself from the present dilemma, consists in two particulars, the one certain and evident, the other uncertain; the former is her own native power, wealth and address; the latter, the aid of the Ottoman Port: it does not yet appear, how this last is at present adjusted, but supposing it happens, it is distant and disjointed, and powers equal thereto remain in petto, to