

pay? Call but to mind the spirited Behaviour of the *Irish* Brigade! The severe Duty they sustain'd, and the signal Service they did in the Battle of *Fontenoy*, leaves us surely little Room to doubt either the Courage or Utility of hired Forces. Thus having plainly proved the Inconsistency of your third and fourth Objections, all the Arguments drawn from those Premises naturally fall to the Ground. *Cum principalis causa non consistit, nec ea quidem, quæ sequuntur, locum habent* *.

Your fourth Objection is, "that a hireling Army once victorious, perceiving the People who invited them to their Assistance, *unequal to the Task of defending themselves*, and resisting their Force, will, in all Probability, set up for themselves, and become their Masters." Both this and the following Objection are entirely removed, by only declaring that it is neither the Intention of his Majesty nor of his Ministers, that the *Russian* Army shall set Foot on *British* Ground. Besides, allowing they were actually to come over into this Island, certainly *we shall not be unequal to the Task of defending ourselves*, and resisting so trifling a Force: since you know we can at any Time, "without the Assistance of *Scotland* or *Ireland*, raise One Million Two Hundred Thousand SOLDIERS in a few Hours: And if that Number is not sufficient, we can raise, with the Assistance of *Scotland* and *Ireland*, in a few Days, according to your most accurate Calculation, Two Millions of Men able and willing to bear Arms in their King and Country's Defence." So that I defy the *Russians*, and the *French* King into the Bargain, be his Armies ever so numerous, to make

* *Paulus, l. 19, ad Edictum.*