

BUT leaving those distant parts, the situation of our affairs in which, we have less certainty of, let us come to Europe; and take a cursory view of it there.

AT the opening of the present season for the destructive business of war, the French King thought proper to send a prodigious army into Germany. This, in conjunction with other troops in those parts, was destin'd to ravage his Majesty's Hanoverian dominions; and, in short, to conquer, and take possession thereof, for his Most Christian Majesty: Who, if he resemble his immediate Predecessor, of such famous memory for disturbing and plundering his neighbours, can no more be satisfied, either with conquered, or stolen provinces and countries, than "he that loveth silver can be satisfied with silver, or he that loveth abundance, with increase." Whose *Greatness*, in its nature and rise, was not very different from that of the great Chaldean Monarch, thus characterized in sacred writ: "He is a proud man, neither keepeth at home, who enlargeth his desire as hell, and is as death, and cannot be satisfied; but gathereth unto him all nations, and heaping unto him all people. — Wo to him that increaseth that which is not his! How long? — Because thou hast spoiled many nations, all the remnant of the people shall spoil thee; because of men's blood, and for the violence of the land —" ||

BUT not to digress: This design of his Most Christian Majesty upon Hanover, had almost succeeded, and taken effect; so that all the friends to the liberties of Europe, who are of course enemies to the ambitious views of France, stood aghast, as it were; and trembled for the consequence of a general battle, which was now unavoidable; the army on which, under God,