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Courts of Europe.
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de Mirepoix,
15th, 1755.
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de MIREPOIX.
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N U M B. II.

The ANSWER to the foregoing Memorial, delivered by Or-
der of the English Court, to the Duke de Mirepoix,
January 22d, 1755.

THE King has beheld with Concern the unexpected
Differences in *North-America*, and the Hostilities
with which they have been accompanied : His Majesty
is equally desirous, with the most *Christian* King, to put
an End to them ; demanding nothing but what is found-
ed on Treaties, and is agreeable to the just Rights and
Possessions of his Crown, and the Protection of his
Subjects in that Part of the World.

The King is of Opinion, that the Proposal communi-
cated by his Excellency the Duke de Mirepoix, is not
express as to that Matter : Nevertheless, to manifest his
Desire of maintaining the most perfect Peace, Union and
Harmony, with his most *Christian* Majesty, and to the
End that Matters may be re-established on an equitable
Footing, his Majesty proposes, that the Possession of the
Country along the *River Ohio* or *Belle-Riviere*, should
be restored to the same Condition as it actually was in
at the Conclusion of the Treaty of *Utrecht*, and accord-
ing to the Stipulations made in the same Treaty, as it
has been renewed by that of *Aix-la-Chapelle* ; and more-
over, that the other Possessions in *North-America*, be re-
stored to the same Condition in which they were at the
Conclusion of the said Treaty of *Utrecht*, and agreeable
to the Cessions and Stipulations made by that Treaty.
And then his Majesty will be able to treat of the Method
of instructing the respective Governors, to restrain them
from engaging henceforward in any new Enterprizes,
or committing any Hostilities ; and the Pretensions on
both Sides, may then be submitted to be speedily and
finally discussed, and amicably adjusted between the two
Courts.

Such are the Sentiments of his Majesty : The Defence
of his Rights and Possessions, and the Protection of his
Subjects, have been his sole Motives for sending an
Armament