

the *Number of our Forces at home*) He engages to prove that They were first taken into our Pay, and since continued, in *Consequence of Treaties, made for the Interest of Great-Britain, and the Preservation of the Peace and Ballance of Europe, independent of any other Interest and Consideration whatsoever.*

If He had succeeded in this *Undertaking*, it would have saved me the Trouble of any *Remarks*; but I think it demonstrable that He hath not brought one tolerable Argument to support his Proposition. That the *Hessian Troops* were taken into our Pay, in *Consequence of Treaties*, I shall not deny. Whether *those Treaties* were made solely for the *Interest of Great Britain, and the Preservation of the Peace and Ballance of Europe*; appears in some Measure already by the *happy Effects of them*, and my preceding Observations. But let us now examine a little more particularly how the *Interest of Great Britain*, as well as the *Peace and Ballance of Europe*, makes the Continuation of this great Expence necessary to us.

The *Considerer* tells us that immediately after the Conclusion of the *Treaty of Hanover*, the *Consequences of the Vienna Treaty* began to shew themselves openly, and obliged his late Majesty to apply to his Parliament for extraordinary Assistance; which was agreed to, says he, by an *Address of the House of Commons, on the 25th of March, 1726, who desired Him* “ not only to encrease his Num-
 “ ber of *Seamen*, but to concert such other Measures,
 “ as would best conduce to the Security of the
 “ Trade and Navigation of this Kingdom and
 “ the Preservation of the Peace of *Europe*; with
 “ Assurances that They would effectually make
 “ good ALL SUCH EXPENCES and ENGAGE-

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