

Hague.

May 14th X

1698.

A Convention for entering into a Defensive Triple Alliance was concluded between the Kings of England & Sweden, & the States General.

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A Treaty of Alliance was concluded accordingly; the Fourth Article of which contains a reciprocal Guaranty of the Kingdoms, States, Provinces, Jurisdictions, & Territories in Europe respectively belonging to the several Contracting Parties. — This Alliance being only for 18 Years had expired A. D. 1718., but in fact had been broken some time before by the Transactions relative to Bremen & Verden, & by the Intrigues of Charles 12th in Favor of the Pretender. But on his Death A. D. 1718. it was the first Object of his Sister who succeeded him to restore Peace to Sweden; and a Treaty for that Purpose was concluded at Stockholm (under the Mediation of France) with the King of England as Elector of Hanover. The great Object of this Treaty to the Elector was the formal Cession of Bremen & Verden to the Electorate, in return for which it was the Aim of the Swedish Ministers ^{to engage} the Assistance of England against the Czar who was at this Time with his Army at the Gates of Stockholm. — Bremen & Verden were accordingly given up to the Elector of Hanover by the Third Article of this Treaty of Peace, & it was

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soon followed by a Treaty of Alliance with George the First, as King of England, which confirms and corroborates, in the most express Terms, the Conditions & Guaranties of the Treaty of 1700. & acknowledges that by Virtue of that Treaty The King of England is obliged to send a Squadron into the Baltick to support the Swedes against the Hostilities of the Czar.

The Fifth Article of this last Treaty contains an express Clause to defend The King of Sweden's Possessions in Germany, & stipulates a Supply of 6000. Foot, if they shall be invaded by any Power in Europe. — And Lord Cartaret's Correspondence shows this Article to have been inserted on much Consideration. — But

This Treaty in like Manner as that of 1700 had only an Eighteen Years Duration; Consequently the Guaranties contained in the said Treaties of 1700. & 1720. are now expired. — Tho' it is true therefore that in the Eighth Article of the other Treaty of 1719. between Geo. 1.th as King of G. B., & Elector of Han., & The Queen of Sweden, the several Guaranties then subsisting between the two Kingdoms are renewed, & those thereafter to be concluded are established, yet the Treaty of 1700. to which this Treaty bears a Retrospect, & that of 1720. which contained the only subsequent Guaranty, having both

both expired, it follows, most clearly, that His Majesty both as King of Great Britain & as Elector of Hanover, is free from every Connection with Sweden in the Nature of any General Guaranty &c.^o; in consequence of the said several Treaties. — And in the War between Russia & Sweden, the Assistance of England was neither demanded nor expected. — Nor in the Treaty of Alliance made in the Reign of his present Majesty is there any Reference whatever to any subsisting Treaty between the Two Nations.

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