A Treaty of Peace between the Empire and Sweden, concluded and sign'd at Osnabrug the 24th of October, 1648. The King of France was comprehended in this Treaty as an Ally of Sweden.

E it known to all and fingular whom it does concern, or whom it may in any manner concern, That after the Differences and Troubles which began feveral years ago in the Roman Empire, had come to fuch a height, that not only all Germany, but likewise fome neighbouring Kingdoms, especially Sweden and France, found themselves so involved in them, that from thence there arose a long and cruel War; in the first place, between the most Serene and most Potent Prince and Lord, Ferdinand III. of Glorious Memory, chosen Emperor of the Romans, always August, King of Germany, Hungary, Bohemia, Dalmatia, Croatia, Sclavonia, &c. Archduke of Austria, Duke of Burgundy, Brabant, Stiria, Carinthia and Carniola, Marquis of Moravia, Duke of Luxemburg, of the Upper and Lower Silesia, Wirtemberg and Teck, Prince of Swabia, Count of Hapfburg, Tirol, Kyburg and Goricia, Landtgrave of Alfatia, Marquis of the Sacred Empire, Burgovia, the Upper and Lower Lusatia, Lord of the Sclavonick Borders, Port Naon and Salines, his Confederates and Adherents on the one fide; and the most Serene and most Potent Prince and Lord Gustavus Adolphus, King of Sweden, of the Goths and Vandals, Great Prince of Finland, Duke of Esthonia and Carelia, and Lord of Ingria, likewise of Glorious Memory, the Kingdom of Sweden, its Allies

and Confederates on the other fide: And after his Decease, between the most Serene and most Potent Prince and Lord Ferdinand III. elected Emperor of the Romans, always August, &c. with his Allies and Adherents on the one fide; and the most Serene and most Potent Princess and Lady Christina, Queen of Sweden, &c. her Allies and Adherents on the other fide; upon which ensu'd a great Effusion of Christian Blood, and Devastation of feveral Provinces. At last it fell out by an Effect of the Divine Bounty, that both sides turn'd their Thoughts towards the means of making Peace, and that by a mutual Agreement made at Hamburg the 25th of December. N. S. or the 15th O. S. 1641. between the Parties, the 11th N. S. or the 1st O.S. 1642. was by common Confent appointed for beginning the Assembly or Congress of Plenipotentiaries at Ofnabrug, and at Munster in Westphalia. In confequence whereof, the Ambassadors and Plenipotentiaries lawfully establish'd on both sides, having appear'd at the mention'd Time and Place, viz. on the part of the Emperor, the most Illustrious and Excellent Lords, Maximilian Count of Trautmansdorf and Weinsberg, Baron of Gleichenberg, Neustat upon the Cockie, Negovia, Burgovia and Totzenbach, Lord of Teitnitz, Knight of the Golden Fleece, Privy Counsellor and Chamberlain to his Sacred Imperial Majesty, and Great Master of his Court; John Maximilian, Count of Lamberg, free Baron of Orteneck and Ottenstein, Lord of Stockam and Ammerang, Burgrave of Stayer, &c. and John Cranen, Chamberlain to his faid Sacred Imperial Majesty, Licentiate in the Laws, and Count Palatine, his Imperial Majesty's Aulick Counsellors. And on the part of the Queen of Sweden, the most Illustrious and most Excellent Lords, John Oxenstiern, Axelson, Count of the Southern Morea, free Baron of Kincitha and Nynaas, Lord of Fyholm, Hornigsholm, Sudorbo and Lidoo, Senator of the Kingdom of Sweden, and Counsellor of the Chancery; and John Adler Salvius, Lord of Adlersberg, Harsfield, Wildenbruck and Tullingen, Senator of the Kingdom of Sweden, Privy Counsellor to her Royal Majesty, and Chancellor of her Court. After having invok'd the Assistance of God, and reciprocally exchang'd the Originals of their respective full Powers, they transacted and agreed among themselves, to the Glory of

God, and Safety of the Christian World (the Electors, Princes and States of the Sacred Roman Empire being present, approving and consenting) the Articles of Peace

and Amity, whereof the Tenour follows.

I. That there be a Christian, universal The Re-estaand perpetual Peace, and a true and fincere blishment of Friendship and Amity between his Sacred Peace and A-Imperial Majesty, the House of Austria, mity. and all his Allies and Adherents, and the Heirs and Successors of each of them, chiefly the King of Spain, and the Electors, Princes and States of the Empire, of the one fide; and her Sacred Royal Majesty, and the Kingdom of Sweden, her Allies and Adherents, and the Heirs and Successors of each of them, especially the most Christian King, the respective Electors, Princes and States of the Empire, of the other side; and that this Peace be observ'd and cultivated sincerely and seriously, fo that each Party may procure the Benefit, Honour and Advantage of one another, and thereby the Fruits of this Peace and Amity may be feen to grow up and flourish anew, by a fure and reciprocal maintaining of a good and faithful Neighbourhood between the Roman Empire and the Kingdom of Sweden reciprocally,

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from all Hossiblity.

II. That there be on both sides a perpetual Oblivion and Amnesty of all that has been done since the beginning of these

Troubles, in what Place or in what Manner soever Hostilities may have been exercis'd by the one or the other Party; so that neither for any of those things, nor upon any other Account or Pretext whatfoever, any Act of Hostility or Enmity, Vexation or Hindrance shall be exercis'd or suffer'd, or caus'd to be exercis'd, either as to Perfons, Condition, Goods or Security, either by one's felf or by others, in private or openly, directly or indirectly, under form of Right or Law, or by open Deed, either within, or in any Place whatfoever without the Empire, notwithstanding all former Compacts to the contrary; but that all Injuries, Violences, Hostilities and Damages, and all Expences that either fide has been oblig'd to be at, as well before as during the War, and all Libels by Words or Writing shall be entirely forgotten, without any regard to Persons. or Things; fo that whatever might be demanded or pretended by one against another upon this account, shall

be bury'd in perpetual Oblivion.

III. According to this Foundation of a general and unlimited Amnesty, all and every the Electors of the Sacred Roman Empire, the Princes and States therein included, the Nobility that hold immediately of the Empire, their Vassals, Subjects, Citizens and Inhabitants, who upon occasion of the Troubles of Bohemia and Germany, or upon the account of Alliances contracted on one fide and another, may have fuffer'd any Prejudice or Damage from either Party, in any manner, or under any pretext whatsoever, either in their Domains, Goods, Fees, Sub-Fees, Allodials, or in their Dignities, Immunities, Rights and Privileges, shall be fully re-establish'd on both lides, in the same State, both as to Spirituals and Temporals, which they enjoy'd, or could of Right enjoy before those Troubles, notwithstanding all the Changes made to the contrary, which shall be annul'd and remain void.

But as these and such like Restitutions ought to be all understood, faving whatsoever Rights, either of Dominium directum, or Dominium utile, go along with the Goods which are to be restor'd, whether Secular or Ecclesiastical, and belong to him who makes Restitution, or to him to whom Restitution is made, or to any third Person; saving also the Rights which lie undetermin'd either in the Imperial Court, or in the Imperial Chamber, or in the other mediate or immediate Tribunals of the Empire; so this general saving Clause, or others more special mention'd afterwards, may not in any ways hinder this Restitution: But these Competencies, Rights, Actions and Processes shall, after Restitution made, be examin'd, discuss'd and dispatch'd before the competent Judg. Nor shall this Reserve be of any prejudice to the faid universal and unlimited Amnesty, nor extend to Proscriptions, Confiscations, and other such like Alienations; and far less shall it derogate from the Articles that shall be otherwise agreed, and particularly to the redressing of Grievances: for it will appear afterwards, in the Article of redressing of Ecclesiastical Grievances, what Right those who are or shall be restor'd shall have in Ecclefiastical Goods, which have been contested, and under debate, to this very time.

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IV. Now altho it may be easily perceiv'd by the preceding general Rule, who they are that are to be restor'd, and in what measure, yet the Parties were willing at the Instance of certain Persons, to mention some other Causes of the greatest Importance, in the following manner; so that they who are not expressly, or not at all nam'd or retrench'd, are not therefore reckon'd to be omitted or excluded.

The Palatine The Cause of the Palatine House has first of all been discussed by the Assembly of Osnabrug and Munster; so that the Contest which has been so long depending, has been terminated

in the following manner.

1. As to what concerns the House of Bavaria, the Electoral Dignity which the Electors Palatine formerly had, with all the Regal Rights, Offices, Precedencies, Ornaments, and other Rights whatsoever appertaining to that Dignity, without any Exception; as also the Upper Palatinate, and the County of Cham, with all their Regal Rights, other Rights, and all their Appurtenances, shall remain, as formerly, so for the suture, to Maximilian Count Palatine of the Rhine, Duke of Bavaria, his Children, and the whole Gulielmine Branch, so long as there shall remain Male Princes.

2. On the other hand, the Elector of Bavaria shall intirely renounce for him, his Heirs and Successors, the Debt of thirteen Millions, and all Pretensions upon the Upper Austria; and shall immediately, after the Conclusion of the Peace, give up to his Imperial Majesty all Acts thereupon obtain'd, that they may be made void

and null.

3. And as to what concerns the Palatine Family, the Emperor and Empire do consent, out of regard to the publick Tranquillity, That by virtue of the present Convention an eighth Electorate be established, which the Lord Charles Lewis, Count Palatine of the Rhine, and his Heirs descending from the Rodolphine Line, shall enjoy and possess, according to the Order of Succession expressed in the Golden Bull; but neither the said Lord Charles Lewis, nor his Successors, can have any other Right than the simultaneous Investiture, in what was for-

merly given with the Electoral Dignity to the Elector of

Bavaria, and the whole Gulielmine Branch.

4. That the whole Lower Palatinate, with all and every the Ecclefiaftical and Secular Goods, Rights and Appurtenances, which the Electors and Princes Palatine enjoy'd before the Troubles of Bohemia; as also all the Documents, Registers, Accounts, and other Acts depending thereupon, shall be entirely restor'd to him, annulling all that has been done to the contrary; which shall be effected by the Imperial Authority: So that neither the Catholick King, nor any other possessing any of them, may in any manner oppose this Restitution.

5. Now forasmuch as certain Bailliages of Bergstat, appertaining of old to the Elector of Mentz, were ingaged in the year 1463. to the Counts Palatine for a certain Sum of Mony, on condition of perpetual Redemption; it is therefore agreed, that these same Bailliages shall return and remain to the Lord the Elector of Mentz, who sills the See at present, and to his Successors in the Archbishoprick of Mentz; provided that the Price and Ingagement voluntarily offer'd be paid in ready Mony; within the six'd term of the execution of the Treaty, and that he satisfy the other Conditions to which he is oblig'd by the Tenor of the A& of Ingagement.

6. That the Elector of Treves, in quality of Bishop of Spires, and the Bishop of Worms, shall also be at liberty to sue, before competent Judges, for the Rights which they pretend to upon certain Ecclesiastical Revenues, in the Territory of the said Palatinate, if those Princes do

not amicably agree among themselves.

7. If the Gulielmine Male Line should become intirely extinct, and the Palatine Line continue, not only the Upper Palatinate, but likewise the Electoral Dignity, whereof the Dukes of Bavaria are in possession, shall return to the said surviving Counts Palatine, who shall at the same time enjoy the simultaneous Investiture, and then the eighth Electorate shall remain entirely extinct and bury'd; but the Upper Palatinate in that case returning to the surviving Counts Palatine, the Actions and Benefits which of Right appertain to the Heirs Allodial of the Elector of Bavaria, shall be preserved to them.

8. That the Family-Compacts made between the Electoral Family of Heidelberg, and that of Newburg, which

were confirm'd by former Emperors, touching the Electoral Succession, as also the Rights of the whole Rodol-phine Line, in so far as they are not contrary to the prefent Disposition, shall be entirely preserv'd and maintain'd.

9. If it can be made appear by a competent legal Proof, that any Fiefs of the Country of *Juliers* are not ingag'd, they shall be evacuated for the benefit of the E-

lectors Palatine.

10. Besides, in order to discharge in some measure the Lord Charles Lewis from his Obligation to his Brothers for Appennage, his Imperial Majesty shall appoint four hundred thousand Rixdollars to be paid to his said Brothers in the Term of sour Years, reckoning from the beginning of the next Year 1649. at the rate of a hundred thousand Rixdollars a year, with Interest at 5 l. per cent.

and every one who are or have been any way attach'd to it, more especially the Ministers who have been imploy'd for it in this Assembly, or elsewhere, as also those who are banish'd from the *Palatinate*, shall enjoy the General Amnesty above specify'd, with an equal Right, and as fully as others who are comprized in the said Amnesty and this Transaction, particularly with regard to Grie-

vances.

12. The Lord Charles and his Brother shall reciprocally pay Obedience, and observe Fidelity to his Imperial Majesty, as well as the other Electors and Princes of the Empire; and as well he as his Brother shall renounce for them and their Heirs the Upper Palatinate, as long as there shall be lawful Heirs Male of the Gulielmine Branch.

13. Now whereas it has been provided to allow a Subfiftence for the Widow-Mother to the said Prince, and to secure a Portion to the Sisters of the said Prince, his Imperial Majesty, as a Mark of his Affection for the Palatine Family, has promised to pay once for all twenty thousand Rixdollars for the Subsistence of the said Widow, Mother to the said Prince, and ten thousand Rixdollars to each of the Sisters of the said Lord Charles Lewis upon their Marriage; and the said Lord Charles Lewis shall be obliged to make up the remainder. 14. That the faid Lord Charles Lewis, and his Successors to the Lower Palatinate, shall not in the least molest the Counts of Lainingen and Daxburg, but shall suffer them peaceably and quietly to enjoy and make use of their Rights, obtain'd by them many Ages ago, and confirm'd by the Emperor.

15. That he shall inviolably allow the free Nobility of the Empire in *Franconia*, Swabia, and along the Rhine, as also the Countries belonging to the said Nobility, to

remain in the flate they are in at this present.

Gerhard of Waldemburg, call'd Schenkhern; upon Nicolas George Reigersberg, Chancellor of Mentz, and Henry Brombser, Baron of Rudesheim; as also by the Elector of Bavaria upon Baron John Adolphus Wolff, call'd Metternich, shall remain to them entire: However these Vasfals shall be oblig'd to take an Oath of Fidelity to the said Lord Charles Lewis as their Dominus directus, and to his Successors, and demand of him the Renewal of their Fiefs.

17. That those of the Confession of Augsburg, who were in possession of Churches, and among the rest the Burgesses and Inhabitants of Oppenheim, shall be preserved and maintain'd in the Ecclesiastical State of the Year 1624, and that it shall be allowable for others who are willing to embrace the Exercise of the Augsburg Confession, to practise it, as well publickly in the Churches at set Hours, as in private in their own Houses, or other Places appointed for that end by their Ministers of the Divine Word, or by those of their Neighbours.

18. Prince Lewis Philip, Count Palatine of the Rhine, shall recover all the Countries, Dignities and Rights, as well in Ecclesiasticals as Temporals, which fell to him by his Ancestors by Succession and Share, before this War.

19. Prince Frederick, Count Palatine of the Rhine, shall receive and retain the fourth part of the Customs of Wiltshach, as also the Cloister of Hornsbach, with the Appurtenances, and the whole Right which his Father had and possess'd there formerly.

20. That Prince Leopold Lewis, Count Palatine of the Rhine, shall be fully re-establish'd in the County of Veldentz upon the Moselle, in the same State, as to Ecclesiasticals and Temporals, as his Father possess'd it in the

Year 1624. notwithstanding all that has been attempted

to the contrary.

21. The Difference between the Bishops of Bamberg and Wirtzburg, and the Marquis of Brandenburg, Culmbach and Onoltzbach, touching the Castle, City, Bailliage and Monastery of Kitzingen upon the Mayn in Franconia, shall be terminated in the space of two Years by an amicable Accommodation, or by summary legal Methods, upon pain of the Recusant's losing his Pretension: In the mean while, the Fortress of Wiltzburg shall be restor'd to the said Lords the Marquisses, in the same state it was in when it was deliver'd by Agreement and Stipulation.

Restitution of the House of Wirtemberg. 22. The House of Wirtemberg shall remain peaceably in the recover'd Possession of the Bailliages of Weinsberg, Neustadt, and Meckmukle; and it shall be likewise

re-establish'd in all the Goods and Rights which it posses'd any where before these Troubles; and among others, the Bailliages of Baubeuren, Achalm, and Stauffen, with their Appurtenances, and the Goods posfels'd upon pretence that they depended thereon, especially in the Town and Territory of Coppingen, and the Village of Pflumeren, the Revenues whereof were piously founded for the maintaining and upholding the University of Tubingen. That House shall also recover the Bailliages of Heidenheim and Oberkirch, as also the Towns of Balingen, Tutlingen, Ebingen, and Rosenfeld, the Castle and Village of Neidlingen, with their Appurtenances; and likewise Hohentwell, Hohenasperg, Hohenaurach, Hohentubingen, Albeck, Hornberg, Schiltach, with the Town of Schorndorf. In like manner shall be restor'd the Collegiate Churches of Stutgard, Tubingen, Hernberg, Goppingen and Bachnang; as also the Abbies, Provostships, and Monasteries of Bebenhausen, Maubron, Anhausen, Lorch, Adelberg, Denkendorf, Hirschau, Blaubeuren, Herprechtingen, Murhard, Albersberg, Koningsbrun, Herrenalb, St. George, Reichenbach, Pfulligen, and Lichtenstern, or Mariencron, and the like, with all the Documents which have been drawn from thence; faving nevertheless and reserving all the Rights, Actions, Exceptions, and the Benefits pretended by the House of Austria and that of Wirtemberg upon the Bailliages of Blaubeuren,

Achalm, and Stauffen.

23. The Princes of Wirtemberg of the Montheliard Branch shall in like manner be re-establish'd in all their Domains situated in Alface and elsewhere, and namely in the two Fiess of Upper Burgundy, Clerval and Passavant; and shall be restor'd by both Parties to the same States, Rights, and Prerogatives, and especially to their immediate Dependance upon the Roman Empire, which they enjoy'd before the beginning of these Troubles, and which the other Princes and States of the Empire do or ought to enjoy.

24. And as to the Affair which relates to the Family of Baden, it has been agreed in the following manner: Frederick Marquifs of Baden and Hochberg, and his Sons and Heirs, with those who have done or do Baden.

him fervice, of whatfoever Name or Condition they be. shall enjoy the Amnesty above-specify'd, in the second and third Articles, with all their Clauses and Advantages; and by virtue thereof they shall be fully re-establish'd in the same state, as well to Spirituals as to Temporals, in which the Lord George Frederick, Marquis of Baden and Hochberg, was before the Rise of the Commotions in Bohemia, as well with respect to the lower Marquisate of Baden, which is commonly call'd Baden-Dourlach, as to the Marquisate of Hochberg, and the Seigneuries of Rottelen, Badenweiler, and Sauffemberg, notwithstanding all the Changes whatfoever that have happen'd to the contrary, which for that effect shall remain void and null. Next the Bailliages of Stain and Renchingen, which were granted to William Marquifs of Baden, with all the Rights, Titles, Papers, and other Appurtenances, shall be restor'd to the Marquis Frederick, without any Burden of Debts contracted during that time by the faid William Marquiss of Baden, upon account of the Fruits, Interests, and Expences born by reason of the Transaction pass'd at Etlingen in the Year 1629. so that all that whole Action concerning the Expences and Fruits laid out and spent, with all Damages and Interests, shall be entirely abolish'd and extinct, reckoning from the time of the first Occupation. The annual Subsidy which the lower Marquifate was wont to pay to the upper Marquifate, shall be also entirely extinct, bury'd, and annul'd. by virtue of these Presents; so that from henceforth no one may demand any thing on that score, either for the time past or for the future. The Precedency shall for the future be alternative between these two Branches of Baden, viz. that of the lower and that of the upper Marquifate, in the Dyets and Assemblies of the Circle of Swabia, and at all the general or particular Assemblies of the Empire, or any other whatfoever; however for the prefent the Precedency shall remain to the Marquis Frederick as long as he lives.

25. As to what relates to the Barony of Hohengerol-Hohengerolfeck, it has been agreed, That feck. if the Lady the Princess of Baden can sufficiently prove by authentick Records and

Titles, the Rights by her pretended to in the faid Barony. Restitution thereof shall be made her immediately after Sentence thereupon given, with all the Rights appertaining to her by virtue of the faid Titles; provided however the Contest be terminated in the space of two Years. reckoning from the Day of the Publication of the Peace: and for that reason no Actions, Transactions, Exceptions, or Clauses general or special (from which Derogation has been made expresty and for ever upon that score) shall be alledg'd or admitted, at any time on either fide, against this special Convention.

26. The Duke of Croy shall enjoy the Effect of the general Amnesty; nor shall the Protection of the most Christian King turn to his prejudice in any wise, as to his Dignity, Privileges, Honours and Goods, or in any other respect whatsoever. He shall likewise peaceably possess that part of the Domain of Winstingen which his Ancestors possess'd, even as the Lady Dowager his Mother possesses it at this present; saving the Rights of the Empire in the same state they were before these Troubles.

with regard to Winstingen.

27. As to the Difference of Nassau-Siegen against Nassau-Siegen, the Matter having Naslau-Siebeen remitted by an Imperial Commission gen. in the Year 1643. to an amicable Accommodation, the same Commission shall be resum'd, and the Affair entirely decided in an amicable manner, as is faid, or by a judicial Sentence before a competent Judg; and Count John of Nassau and his Brothers shall remain without any trouble in the Possession by them taken for their Shares.

28. To the Counts of Nassau-Barbruck shall be restor'd all their Counties, Bailliages, Territories, Honours, and all their Goods Ecclesiastical and Secular, Feudal and Allodial; namely, the Counties of Sarbruck and Sarwerden entirely, with every thing depending thereupon, as also the Fortress of Hombourg, and the Pieces of Artillery and Movables that were found there; saving on both sides respectively the Rights, Actions, Exceptions, and Benefits of Law which are to be determin'd according to the Laws of the Empire, as well upon the account of things adjudg'd to the Revisor by Sentence the 7th of July 1629. as for the Damages sustain'd; if the Parties are not rather inclin'd to accommodate the Matter amicably: saving also the Rights which may appertain to the Counts of Lainingen and Daxburg in the County of Sarwerden.

29. The House of Hanau shall be re-establish'd in the Bailliages of Baubbenhausen, Hanau.

Bischofsheim, Amsteeg, and Wistat.

30. John Albert Count of Solms shall in like manner be resettled in the fourth part Solms, of the Town of Butzbac, and in the four adjoining Villages.

31. To the House of Solms-hohensolms shall also be restor'd all the Goods and Rights whereof it was despoiled in the Year 1627. notwithstanding the Transaction thereupon made with the Lord, George Landgrave of Hesse.

32. The Counts of Isemburg shall also enjoy the general Amnesty inserted above Isemburgh in the second and third Articles; saving the Rights which George Landgrave of Hesse, or any other third Person may pretend against them, and against the Counts of Hohensholms.

33. The Rhingraves shall be resettled in their Bailliages of Troneck and Wildemburg, Rhingraves. and the Seigneury of Morchingen, with their Appurtenances; as also in all their other Rights, usurp'd by their Neighbours.

34. The Widow of Count Ernest of Sayn shall be also resettled in the Possession Sayn. of the Castle, Town, and Bailliage of Ha-

hemburg, with their Appurtenances, and the Village of Bendorf, where she liv'd before she was disposses'd of it; saving however the Right, to whom it shall appertain.

35. The Castle and County of Flacken-Flackenstein. stein shall be restor'd to whom of right it Rasburg. appertains. All the Right likewise which appertains to the Counts of Rasburg, sirnam'd Lowenhaupt, upon the Bailliage of Bretzenheim, Fies of the Archbishoprick of Cologne, and upon the Barony of Repoltz-Kirch in Huntsriich, shall be main-

tain'd and preferv'd to them.

Waldeck. The House of Waldeck shall in like manner be resettled in the Possession of all its Rights in the Domain of Didinghausen, and in the Villages of Nordernaw, Lichtenschied, Defeld, Nidernehleidern, as it enjoy'd the same in 1624.

Oettingen. 37. Joachim Ernest of Oettingen shall be restor'd to all the Goods Ecclesiastical and Secular, which his Father Eberhard pos-

fess'd before these Troubles.

38. In like manner the House of Hohen-loe fhall be resettled in all that was taken from it, chiesly in the Domain of Weicker-speim, and in the Cloyster of Scheffersheim, without any exception, especially of Retention.

Louvenstein, sein and Wertheim shall be resetted in all his Counties and Domains, which during this War have been sequester'd and granted to others, as well in Temporals as in Spi-

rituals.

40. Ferdinand Charles Count of Louvenstein and Wertheim shall in like manner be restor'd to all that was sequester'd, consiscated, and granted to his defunct Relations George Lewis, and John Casimir, and others, as well to Temporals as to Spirituals; saving nevertheless the Goods and Rights which belong to Mary Christina, Daughter to the said George Lewis of Louvenstein, in the Inheritance of his Father and Mother, in which she shall be resettled. The Widow of John Casimir of Louvenstein shall likewise be restor'd to her Portion and mortgag'd Goods; saving the Right of Count Frederick Lewis, if he has any Claims upon the said Goods, which shall be

fu'd for in an amicable way and by Composition, or in

the lawful Course of Justice.

4t. The Count of Erbach, and especially the Heirs of Count George Albert, shall be Erbach. resettled in the Castle of Bleuberg, and in all the Rights which they have in common with the Count of Louvenstein, as well with relation to his Garison and Command, as upon the account of other Civil Rights.

42. The Widow and Heirs of the Count of Brandenstein shall enter into possession Brandenstein. of all the Goods and Rights which were

of all the Goods and Rights which were

taken away from them upon the account of the War.

43. Paul Baron Kervenhuller, with his
Nephews by his Brother, Heirs to the Chevalier Loffler; the Children and Heirs of ler.

Mark Conrard of Rheilingen; as also Hierom of Rheilingen, shall be entirely resettled, every one

in his due place, in every thing that was taken from

them by Confiscation.

44. Contracts, Exchanges, Transactions, Obligations, and Promises illegally extorted, by Violence and Threats, either of tions wid. States or Subjects, which Spire, Weissemburg upon the Rhine, Landau, Rurlingen, Hailbron, and other places complain of; as also Causes and Suits bought or given over to another, shall be abolish'd and annul'd: so that it shall not be lawful for any Person to commence an Action or Process upon that score. And if Debtors have extorted from Creditors, by Force or Fear, their Bonds and Obligations, they shall be all restor'd; the Actions grounded thereupon remaining in sull force.

45. If Debts on account of Purchase, Sale, or annual Revenues, and others of what name soever, have been extorted by Violence out of spite and malice of the Creditors, by either of the Parties engag'd in War, there shall be no Execution decreed against the Debtors, who shall alledg and offer to prove that Violence has really been done them, and that they have teally and indeed paid; provided those Exceptions shall not have been decided after a full Hearing of the Cause.

46. The Suits which shall commence upon that score, shall be terminated in the space of two Years, reckoning

from the Day of the Publication of the Peace, on pain of perpetual Silence in the case, to be enjoin'd contumacious Debtors; but the Suits hitherto commenc'd against them upon that account, together with the Transactions and Promises made for the future Restitution to Creditors, shall be suppres'd and abolish'd; saving nevertheless the Sums of Mony that have been paid bona fide for others during the War, to avert the greatest Dangers and Damages wherewith they were menac'd.

47. The Sentences pronounc'd in time of War touching Matters purely Secular (if the Defect of the Process do not evidently appear, or if it cannot be made out prefently) shall not be altogether null, but shall be suspended and ineffectual, until the Evidences and Proofs (if either Party demands to have them revis'd within fix Months after the Conclusion of the Peace) be review'd and examin'd in good and due Form, before competent Judges, in the ordinary or extraordinary manner us'd in the Empire: and thus Sentences shall be confirm'd or corrected, or, in case of Nullity, totally revers'd and made void.

Paying of Faith and Homage to begin from the Day of the Conclusion of the Peace.

48. And altho fince the Year 1618. some Fiefs, whether royal or private, have not been renew'd, nor Homage paid in the mean while in name of the true Proprietors; yet that shall not turn to the prejudice of any one whatfoever: but the time for demanding the Investiture thereof, shall commence from the Day of the Conclusion of the Peace.

49. In fine, all and every one, as well Officers and Soldiers, as Counfellors and Judges, General Resti-Civil and Ecclefiaftical, of what Name and tution.

Condition foever they be, who have lifted themselves on either side, and fought for them or for their Allies and Adherents, whether with the Sword or with the Pen, from the highest to the lowest, without any difference or exception, together with their Wives, Children, Heirs, Successors and Servants, shall be resettled on both fides, as well with regard to their Persons as Goods, in the same state of Life, Reputation and Honour, Conscience and Liberty, Rights and Privileges. which they enjoy'd or could have enjoy'd before the faid Commotions: and no hurt shall be done to their Persons or Goods upon that score, nor any Action or Pretext of

Action commenc'd or laid against them; and far less shall they suffer any Punishment or Damage under any pretext whatsoever. All which things shall have their full and entire Effect absolutely, with regard to such as are not Subjects or Vassals to his Imperial Majesty, or to

the House of Austria.

50. And as for those who are hereditary Subjects and Vassals to the Emperor and the House of Austria, they shall truly enjoy the same Amnesty as to their Persons, Life, Honour, and Conscience; and shall have liberty to return to their Country, on condition that they behave themselves according to the Laws in use in the said Kingdoms and Provinces.

51. As to what concerns their Goods, if they have been loft by Confiscation, or in Limitation. any other manner, before the Owners de-

clar'd for Sweden or France (altho the Swedish Plenipotentiaries infifted very vigorously and long that they should be restor'd, yet) they shall remain lost, and confiscated for the Benefit of those who at present possess them; nothing being to be prescrib'd to his Imperial Majesty in this matter, nor otherwise transacted, because of the constant Contradiction of the Imperialists; and the States not having judg'd it for the Service of the Emperor to continue the War upon that score only.

52. However the Goods which have been taken from them afterwards, for having taken up Arms for Sweden or France, against the Emperor and the House of Austria, shall be restor'd to them in the same Condition they are at present; yet without any Reparation for the Fruits consum'd, and the Expences and Damages occasion'd.

53. For the rest, if Creditors or their Heirs professing the Augsburg Religion, Subjects of the Kingdom of Bohemia, or of any other of the Emperor's Hereditary Provinces, commence a Suit upon private Pretentions, suppoling them to have any, Right and Justice shall be done them as well as to the Roman Catholicks.

54. Nevertheless, from this general Restitution shall be excepted fuch things as cannot be restor'd or reprefented, fuch as Movables, Things Personal, Fruits confum'd, Things destroy'd by Authority of the Parties engag'd in War, as also publick and private, sacred and profane Edifices, which have either been thrown down, or converted to other Uses for the publick Sasety; as well as publick and private Pledges, which, upon a prospect of Hostility, have either been confiscated or legally sold, or voluntarily given away.

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Procedure before his Imperial Majesty, or by an amicable Accommodation, or by some other legal Method.

V. Now whereas the Grievances of the

Point of Ecclefiastical Grievances, or of Religion. V. Now whereas the Grievances of the one and the other Religion, which were debated amongst the Electors, Princes and States of the Empire, have been partly the Cause and Occasion of the present agreed and translated in the following

War, it has been agreed and transacted in the following manner.

Confirmation of the Pacification of Passau, and that of Religion. 1. That the Transaction settled at Passau in the Year 1552, and follow'd in the Year 1555, with the Peace of Religion, according as it was confirm'd in the Year 1556, at Augsburg, and afterwards in divers other Diets of the sacred Roman Em-

pire, in all its Points and Articles agreed and concluded by the unanimous Consent of the Emperor and Electors, Princes and States of both Religions, shall be maintain'd in its Force and Vigour, and facredly and inviolably obferv'd. But those things that are appointed by this Treaty with Consent of both Parties, touching certain Articles in the said Transaction which are troublesom and litigious, shall be look'd upon to have been observ'd in Judgment and otherwise, as a perpetual Declaration of the faid Pacification, until the Matter of Religion can, by the Grace of God, be agreed upon, and that without stopping short for the Contradiction and Protestation of any one whatsoever, Ecclesiaftical or Secular, either within or without the Empire, in any time whatsoever: all which Oppositions are by virtue of these Presents declar'd null and void. And as to all other things, That there be an exact and reciprocal Equality amongst all the Electors, Princes and States of both Religions, conformably to the State of the Commonweal, the Constitutions of the Empire, and the present Convention: so that what is just of one side shall be so of the other, all Violence and Force between the two Parties being for

ever prohibited.

2. That the Term from which Restitution in Ecclesiastical Assairs is to begin, as also in the Changes in Politicks with regard to them, be the first Day of January 1624 and that therefore the Re-establishment of all the Electors, Princes and States of both Religions, the free Nobility of the Empire, as also the Communities and Towns holding immediately of the Emperor, do sully and without restriction commence from that day: And that for that essential Decrees, Sentences and Arrests pass'd, all Transactions, Conventions or Capitulations, either at discretion or otherwise made, and all Executions done in such sort of Assairs, remain null and void, and the whole reduc'd to the state they were in the Day and Year aforesaid.

3. The Cities of Augsburg, Dunckelspiel, Biberach and Ravensburg shall retain the Goods, Rights, and Exercise of Religion, which they had the faid Day and Year. But with regard to the Dignities of Senators, and other publick Offices, the number of them shall be equal and alike in both Religions. Particularly for the City of Augsburg, there shall be elected out of Patrician Families seven Senators of the Privy Council, and out of these two Presidents of the Republick, who are commonly call'd Stattpfleger, one of whom shall be a Catholick, and the other of the Confession of Augsburg; of the other five, three shall be Catholicks, and two of the foresaid Confession. The other Counsellors of the leffer Senate, as they call it, and the Syndicks, Affesfors of the City Justice, and all other Officers shall be equal in number in both Religions. As to the Receivers of the publick Mony, they shall be three; two of whom shall be of the same Religion, and the third of the other: but so that for the first Year two shall be Catholicks, and one of the Confession of Augsburg; and the following Year, two shall be of the faid Confession, and the third a Catholick; and so alternately every Year. The Intendants of the Arfenal shall also be three, with the like annual Alternative.

The fame shall be observed as to those who have the care of Subfidies, Provilions, and publick Buildings and Edifices, and others whose Office is in the hands of three Persons: so that if one Year two Offices, such as those of Receiver and Intendant of Provisions and Building, are fill'd by two Catholicks and one of the Confession of Augsburg; the same Year, two other Offices, such as those of the Intendant of the Arsenal, and Receiver of the Subsidies, shall be administer'd by two of the Confession of Augsburg, and one Catholick; and the following Year, two of the Confession of Augsburg shall be substituted in the room of two Roman Catholicks in the said respective Offices, or one of the said Confession n

the room of one Roman Catholick.

4. The Places which were wont to be in the nands of one Person only for one or more Years, according to the Quality of the Affair, shall be administer'd by turns among the Catholick Burgesses, and those of the Confesfrom of Augsburg, in the fame manner as has been determin'd with relation to Offices committed to three Per-Nevertheless, the Care of their Churches and Schools shall be reserved to each of the Parties. As to the Catholicks who are in the Magistracy or any other Office at this time of the present Pacification, over and above the number agreed upon, they shall fully and entirely enjoy the Honour and Advantage they were posfess'd of before; but then they must keep at home, till their Places become vacant by Death, or by their laying down; or if they will affift in Council, they shall have no Vote.

5. Neither of the two Parties shall abuse the Power of the Adherents to their Religion, to destroy the other. Nor shall they prefer directly or indirectly a greater number of their Party to the Dignities of Presidents and Senators, or other publick Posts: but every thing of this nature that shall be done at any time or in any manner, shall be null and void. For which reason, not only the present Regulation shall be publickly read every Year, at the Election of new Senators and Officers in place of those deceased; but likewise the Election of a President or Magistrate of the Privy Council, and other Senators, Prefects, Syndicks, Judges, and other Catholick Officers, shall at present and for the future belong to

the Catholicks, and that of the Adherents to the Confession of Augsburg shall belong to them; and a Catholick shall be put in the place of a deceas'd Gatholick; and in like manner, one of the Confession of Augsburg in the place of one of the said Confession deceas'd. Plurality of Voices shall not bear sway in any manner directly or indirectly in matters of Religion, nor shall it prejudice the Burgesses of the Confession of Augsburg in that City, nor the Electors, Princes and States of the fame Confession in the Roman Empire. And if the Catholicks abuse the Plurality of Voices to the prejudice of those of the Confession of Augsburg, in those Affairs or in any other; it shall be lawful for these last, by virtue of the present Transaction, to have recourse to the Alternative of a fifth Senator of the Privy Council, or to other lawfol Remedies.

6 Moreover the Peace of Religion, and the Order of Charles V. touching the Election of Magistrates, as also the Transactions of the Years 1584, and 1591. shall remain intire and inviolable, in so far as they are not re-

pugnant directly or indirectly to this Regulation.

7. That from henceforth there shall be at Dunckelspiel, Biberach, and Ravensburg, two Consuls, call'd Burgomasters, the one a Catholick, and the other of the Confession of Augsburg; four Counsellors of the

fecret Council in an equal number of the one and the other Religion. The same Equality shall be also obferv'd in their Senate, their Courts of Justice, and in the Superintendancy of the Treasury and publick Mony, as well as in other publick Offices, Dignities, and Posts: And as to the Offices of Judg-Pretor, the Syndick, and Secretaries of the Senate of Justice, and other such Posts, which are confer'd only upon one Person, the fame Alternative shall be perpetually observ'd, so that one of the Augsburg Confession shall succeed to one Catholick deceas'd, and a Catholick to one of the faid Confession deceas'd. As to the Manner of Election, and the Plurality of Suffrages, the Care of Churches and Schools, and the annual reading of this Regulation, the same thing shall be observ'd that has been said with regard to the City of Augsburg.

8. As to what concerns the Town of Donawert, if the States of the Empire in the next General Dyet judg that it ought to be re-establish'd in its antient Liberty, it shall enjoy the same Rights as to Ecclesiasticals and Temporals, which the other Towns of the Empire enjoy, by virtue of the present Transaction; saving nevertheless the Rights of those in that Town which belong to them.

9. The Term of the Year 1624. Shall not in any wise prejudice those who shall be re-established upon the foot

of the Amnesty or otherwise.

Goods Ecclefiaffical immediate.

10. As to the Goods Ecclefiaftical immediate, whether Archbishopricks, Bishopricks, Prelatures, Abbeys, Bailliages, Provostships, Commendams, or other free Secular Foundations, with their Revenues.

Rents, and all other things by what names soever they may go, situated without or within Towns; the Catholick States, or those of the Confession of Augsburg, who posses'd them the first Day of January 1624. shall posses them all, without any exception, peaceably and without trouble, till we are agreed (which God grant we may be) upon the Controversies which regard Religion: nor shall it be lawful for either of the Parties to disquiet or disturb the other by Law-Suits or otherwise, nor occasion any Trouble or Hindrance. And in case the Dissertences of Religion cannot be amicably agreed (which God forbid) the present Convention shall have the Weight of a perpetual Law, and the Peace shall last for ever.

11. If then a Catholick Archbishop, Bishop, or Prelate, or one of the Consession of Augsburg, chosen or requir'd to be an Archbishop, Bishop, or Prelate, should happen to change his Religion, alone or conjointly with his Prebendaries and Canons, whether one or more, or all together; and in like manner, if any other Ecclesiasticks should change their Religion for the future, they shall immediately forseit their Right, yet without lessening their Honour or Reputation; and shall without any Delay or Opposition whatsoever clear their hands of the Fruits and Revenues. And the Chapter, or any other to whom it appertains, shall have a right to elect or require another Person of the same Religion, to which

this Benefit is due by virtue of the present Transaction; however without recovering the Fruits and Revenues which the Archbishop, Bishop or Prelate, &c. changing Religion, shall have receiv'd and consum'd in the mean time. If then any States of the Catholick Religion, or of the Augsburg Confession, have been deprived by a Process at Law, or otherwise, of their Archbishopricks. Bishopricks, Benefices or Prebendships immediate, or have in any wife been troubled therein fince the 1st day of January of the year 1624. they shall be resettled in them, by virtue of these Presents, as well in Spirituals as Temporals, with the Abolition of all Innovations: so that all Ecclesiastical Goods immediate, administer'd the 1st day of January, 1624 by a Catholick Prelate. shall again have a Catholick Head: And reciprocally the Goods which those of the Confession of Augsburg posfest'd the said Year and Day, shall from henceforth be retain'd by them, with return by them of all the Fruits receiv'd during that time, and Expences, Damages and Interests that the one Party claim'd against the other.

12. In all Archbishopricks, Bishopricks, and other immediate Foundations, the right of Election and standing for Preferment shall remain according to the Customs and Statutes of every Place, without any Alteration, in so far as they are conformable to the Constitutions of the Empire, at the Transaction of Passau, the Pacification of Religion, and especially at the present Declaration and Transaction. And with regard to the Archbishopricks and Bishopricks which shall remain to those of the Confession of Augsburg, the said Rights shall contain nothing that is contrary to that same Confession; and the same shall obtain and be observed where the Rights are mix'd between the Catholicks and those of the said Consession.

13. Nothing shall be added of new to the antient Statutes, that may wound the Conscience, or hurt the Cause of the Catholicks, or of those of the Augsburg Confession, or diminish their Rights; but such as stand for Preferment, or such as are chosen, shall promise in their Capitulations, not to possess in any manner, by hereditary Right, the Ecclesiastical Principalities, Benefices and Dignities which they shall have accepted, nor do any thing that may render them hereditary; so that as well

the Election and standing for Preferment, as the Administration and Regiment of Episcopal Rights, during the Vacancy of the See, shall in all Places remain free to the Chapters, and those to whom they likewise belong in conjunction with the Chapter, according to the establish'd Usage. Care shall likewise be taken that the Nobility, Graduates and others, who are capable, be not excluded, but rather supported, when it is not contrary to the Foundations.

The Right of first Prayers.

14. That in the Places where his Imperial Majesty has always exercis'd the Right of first Prayers, he shall likewise exercise it for the future; provided that one of the Confession of Augsburg coming to die in the Bishopricks of the said Religion, one of that Confession, who shall be found capable according to the Statute, have the Right of the said Prayers; but in Bishopricks, and other immediate mix'd Places of both Religions, he that is presented shall not have a Right to the first Prayers, unless a Person of the same Religion posses determined that the Right of the same Religion posses determined that the Right of the R

15. That if under the name of Annats, Rights of the Cloke, Confirmation, the Pope's Months, and such like Rights and Reserves, any thing whatsoever should be pretended, in any manner whatsoever, upon the immediate Ecclesiastical Goods of the States of the Confession of Augsburg, the Prosecution and Execution thereof may

not be supported by the Secular Arm.

16. But in the Chapters of those immediate Ecclesiastical Goods, where the Prebends and Canons of both Religions are admitted by virtue of the foresaid Term, in an equal number of both sides, and where the Pope's Months are already in use, they shall take place, and shall have their Execution upon occasion, if the Prebends and Canons deceas'd have been of the prescrib'd number of Catholicks; provided that the Provision of the Pope be signify'd and advis'd immediately by the Court of Rome, to the Chapters, and in due and legal time.

Investiture of Prelates of the Confession of Augshurg by the Emperor.

17. Such as are chosen, or stand for Archbishopricks, Bishopricks or Prelacies of the Confession of Augsburg, shall be invested by his Sacred Imperial Majesty, without any Exception, if in the year of their Election and Standing they shall have paid Fide-

lity and Homage, and taken the usual Oaths for the Royal Fiefs, and paid befides the ordinary Tax, and a Moiety of the faid Tax for Infeudation; and then they, or, when the See is vacant, the Chapters, or those to whom in conjunction with them the Administration of right belongs, shall be call'd by ordinary Letters to the General Diets, and the particular Assemblies of Deputations, Vifitations, Revifals and others, and shall have there the Right of Suffrage, according as those Rights belong'd to each State before the rife of those Dissensions upon the account of Religion. And as to what concerns the Quality and Number of Persons to be sent to the Assemblies, the Prelates shall be at liberty to settle that with their Chapters and Communities. As to the Titles of the Ecclesiastical Princes of the Augsburg Confession, it is agreed thus, That they shall bear the Quality of Archbishops, Bishops, Abbots, Prevots elected or standing, without prejudice however to the State and Dignity; but they shall take their Seat in the middle and cross Form, between the Ecclefiafticks and Seculars; at whose fide, in the Affembly of all the three Colleges of the Empire, shall be set the Director of the Chancery of Mentz, exercifing the general Direction of the Acts of the Diet in the name of the Archbishop of Mentz; and after him, the Directors of the College of the Princes. And the same thing shall be observ'd in the Senate of Princes, collegiately affembled by the fole Directors of the Acts of the College.

18. There shall be for ever as many Prebends or Canons, whether of the Augsburg Confession, or Roman Catholicks, as there

were of both Religions any where the 1st day of January, 1624. and when any of them comes to die, none but those of the same Religion shall be put in their place. If there be more of the Catholick Prebends or Canons, or of the Augsburg Confession possessing Benefices any where, than there were the 1st day of January, 1624. those supernumerary Prebends shall keep their Places as long as they live; but after their Death those of the Augsburg Confession shall succeed to the Catholicks, and the Catholicks to them, until the number of Prebends and Canons be brought to the same State it was the 1st day of the year 1624. And as to the exercise of Reli-

gion, it shall be re-establish'd, and remain in the mix'd Bishopricks, as it was publickly receiv'd and allow'd in the year 1624. And no Derogation shall be made from any of those things above-specify'd, either in electing, or in presenting, or otherwise.

Changes of Ecclefiafical and other immediate or mediate Foundations and Ecclefiafical Goods, granted for the satisfaction of her Royal Majesty and the Kingdom of Sweden, and for the Com-

pensation and equivalent Indemnity of her Consederates, Friends and Allies, shall remain entirely and exactly in the Terms of the Conventions and particular Clauses inserted hereafter; but in all other things not contain'd therein, and particularly with relation to the Section concerning Diocesan Rights, &c. after-mention'd, they shall remain subject to the Constitutions of the Empire, and to this Transaction.

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name, which the Electors, Princes and States of the Confession of Augsburg, possess'd the 1st day of January in the year 1624. Shall be all and singular possess'd by the same (whether they are already restor'd, or are to be restor'd by virtue of this present Transaction) until the Differences in Religion be terminated by a general amicable Accommodation; and that notwithstanding all Exceptions and Allegations, that all those Goods were reform'd or occupy'd before or after the Transaction of Passau, or the Peace of Religion, or that they were cut off from the Territory of the States of the Confession of Augsburg, or ingag'd to other States by Right of Suffrage, Deaconship, or any other whatsoever; the only and sole Foundation of this Transaction, Restitution and Regulation for the future, being the Possession which every one had the 1st day of January, 1624. entirely annulling all Exceptions and Defences that may be drawn from the Exercise introduc'd into any Place by Interim. or from any anterior or posterior Compacts, general or special Transactions, Processes commenc'd or judg'd, Mandamus's, Pareatis's, Letters of Reversion, Causes de-pending, or generally from any other Reasons or Pre-tences whatsoever. In like manner, whatsoever has been alter'd, or cut off (in any place) of the said Goods, their Appurtenances and Fruits, from the States of the Confession of Augsburg since that time, in any manner, or under any pretext whatfoever, either by Law or otherwife, the whole shall be fully and entirely resettled in its former State, without Delay or Distinction; and among the rest, especially the Monasteries, Foundations and Ecclesiastical Goods which the Prince of Wirtemberg possess'd really and indeed the 1st day of January, 1624. with their Revenues, Appurtenances and Dependencies, in whatever part they are fituated, together with all the Titles and Documents that have been alienated. So that those of the Confession of Augsburg may be in the possession of what they have had or recover'd, without being liable to any legal Suit or Execution for ever, until the Contests about Religion shall have been terminated.

21. The Catholicks shall likewise possess all the mediate Monasteries, Foundations and Colleges, which they really and actually possess'd the 1st day of January, 1624. altho they be situated in the Territories and Domains of the States of the Confession of Augsburg; however those Goods shall in no wife pass to other Orders of Religious, but shall remain and continue in that Order to which they were first devoted, unless the Order of such Religious should be entirely extinct: For in that case the Magistrate of the Catholicks shall be at liberty to substitute Religious of another Order, in use in Germany before the Dissensions about Religion. In all the Monasteries, Collegiate Churches, Mediate Hospitals, where Catholicks and those of the Confession of Augsburg were wont to live without distinction, they shall from henceforth live there in the same number that was on the 1st of January, 1624. and the Exercise of Religion shall remain the same that it was in any Place whatsoever the said Year and Day, without Molestation or Impediment from the one fide or the other. In all the mediate Foundations, where his Imperial Majesty exercis'd the Right of first Prayers the 1st of January, 1624 he shall exercise the same for the suture, in the

manner above explain'd, for immediate Goods. And as to the Pope's Months, the same Order shall be observed as was fettled above; the Archbishops, and those to whom the like Rights belong, shall also confer the Benefices of the extraordinary Months. And if those of the Confession of Augsburg had possess'd, the said Day and Year, really and totally, or in Partnership with the Catholicks, the Rights of Presentation, Visitation, Inspection, Con-firmation, Correction, Protestation, Hospitality, Services and Averrages in those fort of Ecclesiastical mediate Goods, and maintain'd Curates and other Officers therein, they shall have the same Rights for the future. And the the Elections for vacant Prebendries should not be made in the due time and manner, in favour of the Persons of the same Religion that the deceas'd Person was of, yet the Distribution and Collation thereof shall appertain to those of the same Religion by Right of Devolution; provided nevertheless, that no prejudice be done therein to the Custom of the Catholick Religion in those Ecclefiaftical mediate Goods, and that the Rights belonging to the Eccleliastical Magistrate of the Catholicks, by the Institution of the Order concerning the said Ecclefiasticks, be preserved to him entirely, and without any Change. And even the the Elections and Collations to the vacant Prebendries should not be made in due time. yet the Right of Devolution shall remain whole and entire.

22. And as to the Imperial Ingagements (forafmuch as it is found that it has been fettled in the Imperial Capitulation, that the chosen Emperor of the Romans is oblig'd to confirm these same Ingagements to the Electors, Princes and other immediate States of the Empire, and to secure and preserve to them the quiet and peaceable possession thereof) it is agreed, That that Regulation shall be observed till it shall be otherwise ordain'd, by the Consent of the Electors, Princes and States; and for that reason the Imperial Ingagements which were taken away from the City of Landau, and that of Weissenberg, shall be fully and entirely restor'd to them presently, upon paying the principal Sum. Nevertheless, as to the Goods which the States of the Empire have bound under the Title of Ingagements to one another time immemorial, there shall be no other Method of Disingagement,

but the Exceptions of the Possessors, and the Merit of the Causes sufficiently examin'd. And if the like Goods have been occupy'd during this War by any one, without a previous Cognizance of the Cause, or without paying the principal Sum, they shall be intirely restor'd immediately to the first Occupants with the Titles; and if Difingagement should be obtain'd by Sentence, and pass for a thing already judg'd, so that Restitution thereof should follow after payment of the Principal, the Dominus directus shall have full liberty publickly to introduce into those fort of ingag'd Lands, which shall have been reitor'd to him, the Exercise of his own Religion. Nevertheless the Inhabitants and Subjects shall not be constrain'd to quit the said Lands, or the Religion which they embrac'd under the preceding Possessor of such ingag'd Lands; but they and the Dominus directus, who shall have obtain'd the Disingagement, shall treat about the publick Exercise of Religion.

23. With regard to the free Nobility, The free Nobi-

who hold immediately of the Empire, and lity

all and fingular their Members, with their Subjects, and feudal and allodial Goods and Possessions (if it be not found that they are subject in some Places to other States upon the account of certain Goods, and for a Territory or Dwelling-Place) they shall by virtue of the Peace of Religion, and of the present Convention, have the same Right in matters of Religion, and in the Advantages arising from thence, with the Electors, Princes and States of the Empire; nor shall they be hinder'd or troubled therein more than they, upon any pretence whatsoever, and all such who have been molested, shall be entirely restor'd.

24. The free Towns of the Empire, according as they are all and every one of them, without Contest, contain d under the name of the States of the Empire, shall have in their Territories, with regard to their Inha-

bitants and Subjects, the same Rights which other higher States of the Empire have, as well with relation to the Right of reforming, as in other Matters concerning Religion, not only in the Peace of Religion, and the present Pacification, but also in every other respect; and even those among them, where only one Religion ob-

tain'd in the year 1624. shall have the same Rights: So that every thing that has been regulated and agreed concerning those in general, shall be held as said and understood of these; notwithstanding that some Catholick Burgesses dwell in the Towns where the Magistrate and the Burgesses have introduc'd no other Religion but that of the Confession of Augsburg, according to the Custom and Statutes of each place; and even the the Exercise of the Catholick Religion be in vigour in certain Chapters, Monasteries, Collegiate Churches or Cloisters there situated, depending mediately or immediately upon the Empire, and in the same State it was the 1st of January, 1624. in which they, with the Clergy who have not been introduc'd fince that Term, and with the Catholick Burgesses which were there at that time, shall be intirely left for the future both actively and passively. And first of all the Imperial Cities, who have embrac'd only one Religion, or who profess both, and among them especially the City of Augsburg, as also Dunckelspiel, Biberach, Ravensburg and Kauffbeur, which fince the year 1624. have been molested, either by Law-Suits or otherwise, in any manner whatsoever upon account of Religion; and because of the Ecclesiastical Goods which they occupy'd and reform'd before or after the Transaction of Passau, or the Pacification of Religion which follow'd thereupon, shall be as fully establish'd in the same State which they were in the 1st of January, 1624. both as to Spirituals and Temporals, as the other higher States of the Empire. In which State they shall be preserv'd without any trouble, as the others who at that time posses'd them, or who have fince that time recover'd the Possession of them, and that until the amicable Accommodation of Religion shall be obtain'd. It shall not be lawful for either of the Parties to moleft or trouble one another in the Exercise of Religion, or in the Ceremonies and Usages of their Churches; but the Burgesses shall live peaceably together, and behave themselves discreetly towards one another, and have in all Places the free Exercise of their Religion and Goods; all things judg'd and transacted, or lying before the Tribunals of Justice, and other Sentences given out in the 2d and 20th Paragraphs remaining null: faving nevertheless, those things which have been regulated by the second Paragraph, touching the Civil Affairs of Augsburg, Dunckelspiel, Biberach and Ravens-

25. As to what concerns the Counts, Barrons, Nobles, Vassals, Towns, Foundations, and Knights, Monasteries, Commendants, Communities

and Subjects, holding of the States depending immediately upon the Empire, Ecclefiastical or Secular (as it belongs to those States holding immediately of the Empire to have the Right of reforming Religion, together with the Right of the Territory and Superiority, according to the common Practice hitherto in use thro the whole Empire; and it having been formerly agreed in the Peace of Religion, that the Subjects of such States, as were not of the Religion of the Lord of the Territory, might have leave to change their Habitation) it was moreover ordain'd, in order to preserve a more perfect Concord among the States, That no Person should entice to his Religion the Subjects of others, nor receive them into Safeguard and Protection on that account, or support them in any manner whatfoever. It is also agreed, that the fame thing shall be observed by the States of the one and the other Religion, and that no immediate State shall be troubled in the Right which belongs to it, by reason of any Superiority it may have in matters of Religion; yet notwithstanding this, the Vassals and Subjects of the Catholick State, that have had the publick or private Exercise of the Religion of the Confession of Augsburg in 1624. any part of the year, either by a certain Agreement and Privilege, or by long Usage, or in fine by the fole Observance of the said Religion only for that year, shall retain the same for the future, with all the Appurtenances and Dependencies thereof, according as they have or can prove they have practis'd the faid Year.

26. By such Appurtenances are understood the Consistories and Ministers, as well of Schools as of Churches, the Right of Patronage, and other such like Rights, in the possession whereof they shall remain, as well as in that of all the Temples, Foundations, Monasteries, Hospitals, and all their Appurtenances, Revenues and Augmentations, which were in their Power at that time; all which things shall be observed for ever and in all Places, till it shall he otherwise agreed with relation to the

Christian Religion, whether in general, or among the immediate States and their Subjects by mutual Confent; so that no Person may be molested by any one whatsoever, nor in any way or manner what soever; but on the contrary, that fuch as have been molested, or in any manner depriv'd of their Right, may be simply and fully restor'd to the State wherein they were in the year 1624, without any exception. The same thing shall be observ'd with regard to the Catholick Subjects, who are in the States of the Confession of Augsburg, where they had the publick or private Use and Exercise of the Catholick Religion in the year 1624.

Of Compatis. &c

27. The Compacts, Transactions, Conventions or Concessions which have been formerly made, or which have been agreed and pass'd betwixt the immediate States of the Empire, and their Provincial States and Subjects a-

bove-mention'd, for introducing, allowing or preserving the publick or private Exercise of Religion, shall remain in their Force and Vigour, in so far as they are not contrary to the Observance and Usage of the year 1624. and no Departure therefrom shall be allow'd but by mutual Consent, notwithstanding all Sentences, Reversals, Agreements and Transactions, contrary to the said Usage and Observance of the year 1624. which shall remain null and void, this being laid down as a Rule; and particularly that which the Bishop of Hildesheim, and the Dukes of Brunswick Lunenburg transacted and stipulated by certain Compacts in the year 1624, touching the Religion of the States, and Subjects of the Bishoprick of Hildesheim. and the Exercise thereof. But the nine Monasteries, situated in the Bishoprick of Hildesheim, which the Dukes of Brunswick yielded to them the same year upon certain Conditions, shall be excepted from the said Term. and referv'd to the Catholicks.

ference.

28. It has moreover been found good. Liberty of Con- that those of the Confession of Augsburg, who are Subjects of the Catholicks, and the Catholick Subjects of the States of the

Contestion of Augsburg, who had not the publick or private Exercise of their Religion in any time of the year 1624. and who after the Publication of the Peace shall profess and embrace a Religion different from that of the

Lord of the Territory, shall in consequence of the said Peace be patiently suffer'd and tolerated, without any Hindrance or Impediment to attend their Devotions in their Houses and in private, with all Liberty of Conscience, and without any Inquisition or Trouble, and even to affift in their Neighbourhood, as often as they have a mind, at the publick Exercise of their Religion, or send their Children to foreign Schools of their Religion, or have them instructed in their Families by private Masters; provided the said Vassals and Subjects do their Duty in all other things, and hold themselves in due Obedience and Subjection, without giving occasion to any Disturbance or Commotion. In like manner Subjects, whether they be Catholicks, or of the Confession of Augsburg, shall not be despis'd any where upon account of their Religion, nor excluded from the Community of Merchants, Artizans or Companies, nor depriv'd of Successions, Legacies, Hospitals, Lazar-Houses, or. Alms-Houses, and other Privileges or Rights, and far less of Church-yards, and the Honour of Burial; nor shall any more be exacted of them for the Expence of their Funerals, than the Dues usually paid for Burying-Places in Parish-Churches: so that in these and all other the like things they shall be treated in the same manner as Brethren and Sisters, with equal Justice and Protection.

29. That if any Subject, who had not the publick or private Exercise of his Religion in the year 1624. or who, after the Publication of the Peace, shall have a mind to change his Religion, or be willing to change his Abode, or be order'd by the Lord of the Mannor to remove, he shall be at liberty to do it, to keep or sell his Goods, and have them administer'd by his Relations, to visit them with all Freedom, and without any Letters of Passport, and to prosecute his Affairs, and make payment of his

Debts, as often as shall be requisite.

30. It has likewise been agreed, that the Lord of the Territory shall allow a space of time, not less than five years, for his Subjects to remove, who had not the publick or private Exercise of their Religion in the said year, and who at the time of the Publication of the said Peace shall have their Abode in the immediate States of the one or the other Religion; among whom shall also be comprehended those, who in order to avoid the Mise-

ries of War, and not out of an Inclination to change their Habitation, have retir'd any where, and have a mind after the Peace to return to their own Country. And as for those who shall change their Religion after the Publication of the Peace, there shall be a Term allow'd them, not less than three years, to withdraw themselves and remove, if they cannot obtain a longer; and whether they remove voluntarily, or by Constraint, Certificates of their Birth, Parentage, Freedom, Trade and Morals shall be granted them without difficulty or scruple; nor shall they be oppress'd with unusual Reversals, or Decimation of the Goods they shall carry away with them, above what is just and equitable; and far less shall any Stop or Hindrance be made, upon pretext of Servitude, or any other whatsoever, to those who shall remove voluntarily.

The Protestant Princes and Towns of Silesia. 31. The Princes of Silesia, who are of the Confession of Augsburg, viz. the Dukes of Brieg, Lignits, Munsterberg and Oels, as also the City of Breslaw, shall be maintain'd in the Rights and Privileges which they obtain'd before the War as

which they obtain'd before the War, as well as in the free Exercise of their Religion, which was granted them by the Imperial and Royal Grace. And as to what concerns the Counts, Barons, Nobles and their Subjects in the other Dutchies of Silefia, who depend immediately upon the Royal Chamber, as also the Counts, Barons and Nobles who live at present in the lower Auftria, altho the Right of reforming the Exercise of Religion no less belongs to his Imperial Majesty than to other Kings and Princes, he consents (not however because of the Agreement made according to the Regulation of the preceding Article, but in confideration of the Mediation of her Royal Majesty of Sweden, and in favour of the interceding States of the Confession of Augsburg) that these Counts, Barons, Nobles, and their Subjects in the faid Dutchies of Silefia, shall not be oblig'd to depart from their Abodes, nor quit the Goods which they posfess, upon the account of their embracing the Augsburg Confession, nor be hinder'd to frequent the Exercise of the foresaid Religion in the neighbouring Parts without their own Territory; provided that in other things they do not disturb the publick Peace and Tranquillity, and behave themselves as they ought towards their Sovereign Prince. And if in the mean while any should think fit to remove voluntarily, and would not or could not conveniently put out their immovable Goods to farm, they shall have all liberty to go and return, to look to and oversee their said Goods.

31. Besides what is order'd and settled above with relation to the said Dutchies of Silesia, which depend immediately on the Royal Chamber, his Imperial Majesty further promises to allow those of the Confession of Augsburg in the faid Dutchies to build for the Exercise of the faid Religion, at their own proper Charges, three Churches without the Towns of Schweinits, Jaur, and Glogan, near the Walls, and in convenient places, which shall be appointed for that effect by his Majesty's Order, after the Conclusion of the Peace. And forasmuch as a greater Liberty of the Exercise of Religion has been several times endeavour'd to be agreed during the present Negotiation in the faid Dutchies, and the other Kingdoms and Provinces belonging to his faid Imperial Majesty and the House of Austria, and that nevertheless it could not be obtain'd because of the Opposition made by the Imperial Plenipotentiaries: Her Royal Majesty of Sweden, and the States of the Confession of Augsburg, referve to themselves, and to every one of them in particular, the liberty of mediating amicably, and interceding humbly for that effect with his Imperial Majesty in the next Dyet and elsewhere; the Peace always subfifting nevertheless, and all Violence and Force remaining unlawful and forbidden.

32. The Right of Reforming shall not depend upon the sole Quality of the seudal Right of Reor sub-seudal Law, whether of the King-sorming. dom of Bohemia, or of the Electors, Princes and States of the Empire, or of any other Places. But those Fiess and Arrier-Fiess, Vassals, Subjects, and Ecclesiastical Goods, and all that the Lord of the Fiescan pretend to in Matters of Religion, or has introduc'd thereinto, or claim'd of right thereto, shall be for ever consider'd according to the state they were in the first Day of January 1624. and whatsoever shall have been innovated to the contrary either in a legal way or otherwise, shall be suppress'd and reduc'd to its first state.

- 33. That if there was any Contest about the Right to a Territory before or after the Term of the Year 1624. that Right shall remain to him who was Possessor of it that Year, till the Affair has been brought under Deliberation, and Sentence given concerning the Possessor and Petitioner; which is to be understood as to the publick Exercise of that Right. But the Subjects shall not be constrain'd to leave their Country during the Process or Suit about the Territory, upon the account of the Change of Religion which may have happen'd in the mean while.
- 34. In the places where the Catholick States and those of the Confession of Augsburg equally enjoy the Right of Superiority, the same Right shall remain as well with respect to the publick Exercise, as of other things that concern Religion, in the same state they were in the foresaid Year and Day. The sole Jurisdiction in criminal Matters, the sole Right of the Sword, that of Retention of Causes, of Patronage, of Filiation, shall neither jointly nor separately give a Right to reform; and therefore the Reformations which have been introduc'd under that colour, or by any other Compacts, shall be null and void, the Lezed shall be restor'd, and all such things for the future shall cease.

Rents, Quitnues appertaining to Ecclesiastical Goods and the Possession of the fame thing shall be observed as was ordain'd in the Peace of Religion, at the Paragraph, In

like manner the States of the Confession of Augsburg, &c. and at the Paragraph, As also to the States which have formerly, &c. But the Revenues, Quit-Rents, Tithes, Rents, which by virtue of the said Peace of Religion are due to the States of the Augsburg Confession upon the account of the Ecclesiastical Foundations immediate or mediate, acquir'd before or after the Religious Peace from the Catholicks, and whereof those of the said Confession have been in possession, or quasi in possession, the sirst Day of January in the Year 1624. Shall be paid them without any Exception.

36. In like manner, if the States of the Confession of Augsburg have possessed by Custom or legal Concession any Rights of Protection, Advocacy, Overture, Hospi-

tality, Averrage, or any others, in the Domains and Goods of Catholick Ecclefiasticks, situated either within or without the Territories; and likewise if any such Right belong to the Catholick States within or without the Ecclesiastical Possessing, they shall all bona side keep possession of Augsburg, they shall all bona side keep possession of those Rights they have enjoy'd, but so that the Revenues of Ecclesiastical Goods be not too much burden'd or exhausted.

37. The Revenues, Tithes, Quit-Rents and Rents, which are due by other Territories to the States of the Confession of Augsburg, for the Foundations that are at present ruin'd and demolish'd, shall likewise be paid to those who were in possession, or quasi in possession of

them, the first of January 1624.

38. And as to the Foundations which fince the Year 1624, have been destroy'd, or which shall become ruinous for the future, the Revenues thereof shall be paid, even in the other Territories, to the Lord of the Monastery that is destroy'd, or of the Place where the Monastery was situated.

39. In like manner, the Foundations which had a Right or a quafi Right to the Tithes of Church-Lands in another Territory, shall also have the same for the suture; but no new Right shall be demanded. Amongst the other States and Subjects of the Empire, the Right of Tithes of Church-Lands shall be such as common Law, or the Custom, or Usage of every place ordains, or according as has been agreed by voluntary Stipulations.

40. Diocefan Right, and all Ecclefiastical Jurisdiction of whatever kind, shall remain in suspension of main in suspension of main in suspension of Religious Differences, as to the Electors, Princes and States of the

Confession of Augsburg, the free Nobility of the Empire, and their Subjects, as well amongst the Catholicks and those of the Confession of Augsburg, as among the States of the Augsburg Confession only; and the Diocesan Right, and the Ecclesiastical Jurisdiction shall be reform'd within the Bounds of each Territory. However, in order to obtain the Payment of the Revenues, Quit-Rents, Tithes and Rents which shall be due to the Catholicks out of the Domains of the States of the Con-

fession of Augsburg, where the Catholicks were notoriously possess'd or quasi possess'd of the Exercise of the Ecclefiastical Jurisdiction, the said Catholicks shall from henceforth likewise enjoy the said Jurisdiction; but this fhall go no further than exacting and demanding the faid Revenues: and they shall proceed to no Excommunication, but after a third Summons. The Provincial States and Subjects of the Confession of Augsburg, who in the Year 1624. acknowledg'd the Ecclefiastical Jurisdiction of the Catholicks, shall in like manner remain subject to the foresaid Jurisdiction in Cases which do not concern the Confession of Augsburg; and provided they be not enjoin'd, on occasion of Law-Suits, any thing contrary to the said Consession of Augsburg, or to Conscience. The Magistrates of the Confession of Augsburg shall also have the same Right over their Catholick Subjects, who in the Year 1624. enjoy'd the publick Exercise of the Catholick Religion, faving the Diocefan Right, as the Bishops exercised it peaceably over them in the Year 1624. but in the Towns of the Empire where the Exercise of both Religions is in use, the Bishops shall have no Jurisdiction over the Burgesses of the Confession of Augsburg; however the Catholicks shall in justice claim the Right which they had in the faid Year 1624.

The Peace of Religion.

41. The Magistrates of the one and the other Religion shall severely forbid any Perfon to impugn in any place, in publick or in private, by preaching, teaching, dispu-

ting, writing or consulting, the Transaction of Passau, the Peace of Religion, and, above all, the present Declaration or Transaction; or to render them doubtful, or endeavour to draw from them Consequences or Propositions contrary to the Intentions and Meaning of them: and whatsoever has been already produc'd or publish'd to the contrary, shall be null. But if any doubt should arise from thence or from any other thing, or if any of the Matters which concern the Peace of Religion or this Transaction should result from thence, the whole shall be regulated in an amicable way, in the Dyets or other Assemblies of the Empire, by the chief Persons of the one and the other Religion.

42. In the ordinary Assemblies of the Deputies of the Empire, the Number of the Chiefs of the one and the

other Religion shall be equal: and as to the Persons or Estates of the Empire that must be added to them, that shall be regulated in the next Dyet. If there come into these Assemblies Deputies, as well as they come to the general Dyets, whether from one, two, or three Colleges of the Empire, upon any account or matter whatfoever, the Number of the Deputies of the Heads of the one and the other Religion shall be equal. And if there be Officers to be dispatch'd in the Empire by extraordinary Commissions, if the matter relates only to the States of the Confession of Augsburg, none but those of that Religion shall be deputed: but if the Affair only regards the Catholicks, none but Catholicks shall be deputed. And if the matter concerns both the Catholick States and those of the Confession of Augsburg, Commissioners shall be nominated and appointed in an equal number out of the one and the other Religion. It has likewise been found good, That the Commissioners report the Affairs done by them, and give their Suffrages thereto; but that they finish nothing by Form of Sentence.

43. In matters of Religion, and in all other Affairs, wherein the States cannot be confider'd as one Body, and when the Catholick States and those of the Confession of Augsburg are divided into two Parties; the Difference shall be decided in an amicable way only, without any side's being tied down by a Plurality of Voices. However, as to what concerns the Plurality of Voices in the matter of Impositions, that Affair not being capable of being decided in the present Assembly, it shall be remit-

ted to the next Dvet.

of the Changes that have happen'd thro the present War, and upon other accounts, many things have been alledg'd for trans-

ferring the Tribunal of the Imperial Chamber to some other more convenient place for all the States of the Empere, and also for presenting the Judg, Presidents, Assessor, and other Officers of Justice, in an equal number out of both Religions, and likewise for regulating other Affairs appertaining to the said Imperial Chamber, which cannot be entirely dispatched in the present Assembly, because of the Importance of the Case, it is agreed, That they shall be treated of in the next Dyet, and that the

Deliberations touching the Reformation of Justice, agitated in the Assembly of the Deputies at Frankfort, shall have their effect; and that if any thing shall appear to be wanting, the same shall be supply'd and amended. In the mean time, to the end that this Affair may not remain altogether in an uncertainty, it is mutually agreed, That besides the Judg and the four Presidents (whereof two of those who are to be of the Augsburg Confession shall be established by his Imperial Majesty alone) the Number of Affessors of the Chamber shall be increased to fifty in all; so that the Catholicks may, and shall be oblig'd to prefent twenty fix Affesfors, including therein the two Affesfors, the presenting of whom is reserved to the Emperor, and the States of the Confession of Augsburg twenty four: and that it shall be lawful to take and chuse out of each Circle of a mixt Religion, two Catholicks and two of the Confession of Augsburg; the other Matters which regard the said Chamber, having been remitted, as is faid, to the next Dyet. Wherefore the Circles shall be exhorted to present in time the new Asfessors, who shall be substituted in the foresaid Chamber in the room of those deceas'd, according to the Table inferted at the end of the next Paragraph. The Catholicks shall also agree in time about the Order of their presenting; and his Imperial Majesty shall appoint, that not only in this Chamber the Ecclesiastical and Political Affairs, debated betwixt the Catholicks and the States of the Confession of Augsburg, or between these last only, or when Catholicks plead against Catholick States, a Third intervening shall be of the Confession of Augsburg; and reciprocally when those of the Confession of Augsburg shall plead against others of the same Confession, a Catholick State shall intervene, and shall discuss and judg the matter by calling in Assessors, chosen in an equal number out of both Religions; but that the same thing shall also be observ'd in the Aulick Chamber: and for that end, his said Majesty shall chuse out of Circles of the Augsburg Confession only, or jointly with those of the Catholick Religion, certain Subjects of the Confession of Augsburg learned and conversant in the Affairs of the Empire, however in such number, that upon occasion there may be an Equality of Judges of both Religions. The same thing shall also be observ'd with relation to the

Equality of Assessors, as often as an immediate State of the Confession of Augsburg shall be cited by a mediate Catholick State, or as an immediate Catholick State shall be cited by a mediate State of the Confession of Augs-

burg.

45. As to the judiciary Procedure, the Regulation of the Imperial Chamber shall also be observed in the Aulick Chamber in every respect. Then to the end that the Appellants may not be destitute of all Assistance by way of Suspension, instead of the Revisal us'd in that Chamber, it shall be lawful for the wrong'd Party to appeal to his Imperial Majesty from the Sentence given by the Council, that fo the Process may be review'd a-new by other Counsellors in an equal number out of both Religions, capable of judging where the stress of the matter lies, not ally'd to arry of the Parties, and who have not been concern'd in drawing up or pronouncing the former Sentence, or at least who have not been the Judges that reported the Process or Cause. And it shall be lawful for his Imperial Majesty, in matters of consequence, and from which some Disorder in the Empire might be fear'd, to ask the Advice and Suffrage of some Electors and Princes of both Religions. The vifiting of the Aulick Council by the Elector of Mentz shall be as often as shall be neceffary, observing what shall be judg'd fit and proper to be observ'd in the next Dyet by the common Consent of the States. But if any Doubts occur touching the Interpretation of the Imperial Conflitutions, and the publick Receffes, or if in Judgments of Ecclefiastical and Political Causes debated between the Parties afore-mention'd, after their having been examin'd in open Court by a number of Judges always equal on both fides, there should arise contrary Opinions from the Parity of the Affessors of the one and the other Religion, the Catholick Assessors holding for one fide, and those of the Confession of Augsburg for the other; in that case they shall be remitted to a general Dyet of the Empire. But if two or more Catholicks, with one or two Affesfors of the Confession of Augsburg, should reciprocally embrace one Opinion, and the rest in equal Number, altho unequal in Religion, should maintain another, and from thence a Difference should arise, in that case the matter shall be terminated by the Order of the Chamber, and no Reference thereof shall be made to a Dyet. All which things shall be observed in the Causes and Processes of the States. including therein the immediate Nobility of the Empire. whether they be Defendants or Interveners. But if among the mediate States the Appellant or Defendant, or a Third intervening be of the Confession of Augsburg. and demand a Parity of Judges from among the Affesfors of the one and the other Religion, that Parity shall be granted; and if an Equality of Voices happens then, no Reference thereof shall be made to the Dyet, but the Process shall be terminated according to the Order of the Chamber. For the rest, the Privilege of the first Instance, and the Rights and Privileges of not appealing, shall be entirely left to the States of the Empire, as well in the Aulick Council, as in the Imperial Chamber; and they shall not be molested or vex'd in them, either by a Mandamus, or by Commissions or Evocations, or any other way. In fine, as mention has likewise been made of abolishing the Imperial Court of Rotweil, and the Provincial Courts of Swabia, and others establish'd in several places in the Empire; the matter having been thought very important, the Deliberation thereof has also been remitted to the next Dyet.

The Affesfors of the Confession of Augsburg shall be

presented,

By the Elector of Saxony
By the Elector of Brandenburg
By the Elector Palatine
By the Upper Circle of Saxony 4. One from these two
By the Lower Circle of Saxony 4. Circles by turns.
By the States of the Circle of Franconia
of the Confession of Augsburg 2.
By those of the Circle of Swabia 2.
By the States of the Circle of the Upper
Rhine 2.
By the Circle of Westphalia 2.

And altho no mention be made in this Table of the States of the Empire of the Confession of Augsburg, which are comprehended under the Circle of Bavaria, yet that shall not turn to their prejudice; but their Rights, Liberties and Privileges shall remain in their entire State.

VI. And whereas his Imperial Majesty, upon the Complaints made in presence of Of the Swifs his Plenipotentiaries and Deputies in the Cantons. present Assembly, in the name of the City of Bazil and of all Switzerland, touching certain Procedures and executory Orders, issu'd from the Imperial Chamber against the said City, the other united Swifs Cantons, and their Citizens and Subjects, having ask'd the Counsel and Advice of the States of the Empire, did, by a particular Decree of the 14th of May last past, declare the faid City of Bazil, and the other Swifs Cantons to be in possession of a quasi full Liberty and Exemption from the Empire, and so no way subject to the Tribunals and Sentences of the faid Empire; it has been refolv'd that this fame Decree shall be held as included in this Treaty of Peace, that it shall remain firm and lasting, and that therefore all those Procedures and Arrests executed upon this occasion in any Form whatsoever, ought to be of no

validity or effect.

VII. It has likewise been thought good, by the unanimous Confent of his Imperial Majesty, and all the Estates of the Empire. That the same Right or Advantage which all the other Imperial Constitutions, the Peace of Religion, this present Transaction, and the Decision of Grievances therein contain'd, grant to the Catholick States and Subjects, and to those of the Confession of Augsburg, ought also to be granted to those who call themselves the Reform'd; saving nevertheless for ever the Compacts, reverfal Privileges, and other Regulations which the States that call themselves Protestants have stipulated among themselves, and with their Subjects, whereby care has hitherto been taken of the States and Subjects of every place, as to Religion and the Exercise thereof, and the things that depend thereupon, faving also the Liberty of Conscience of every one. And forafmuch as the Differences in Religion which are between Protestants have not been yet terminated, being referv'd for a future Accommodation; and whereas for that reafon they form two Parties, it has therefore been agreed betwixt both Parties, touching the Right of Reformation, That if any Prince, or other Lord of a Territory, or Patron of any Church, should afterwards go over to the Religion of another Party, or acquire or recover by

Right of Succession, or by virtue of the present Transaction, or by any other Title, a Principality or Dominion where the Religion of another Party is publickly exercis'd at present, it shall be lawful for him without con-. troversy to have near himself, and at his abode or place of Residence, private Preachers of his own Religion for his Court; but so that this may be no Charge or Prejudice to his Subjects: But it shall not be lawful to change the Exercise of Religion, or the Ecclesiastical Laws and Customs which shall have been receiv'd formerly, nor to take the Churches, Schools, Hospitals, or the Revenues, Pensions and Salaries thereto belonging, from the first Possessions, and confer them upon those of his own Religion; and far less to oblige his Subjects under pretext of the Right of the Territory, Episcopal Right, that of Patronage, or any other, to receive Ministers of another Religion, or give any trouble or molestation to the Religion of others directly or indirectly. And to the end this Convention may be observed the more exactly, it shall be lawful, in case of such Change, for the Communities themselves to present, or if they have not the Right of Presentation, to name able Ministers both for the Schools and the Churches, who shall be examin'd and ordain'd by the Confiftory and the publick Ministers of the Place, if they be of the same Religion with the Communities that shall present or name them: And failing this, they shall be examin'd and ordain'd where the Community shall please, and afterwards confirm'd by the Prince or Lord, without any Denial. However, if any Community, in case of such Change, having embrac'd the Religion of their Lord, should ask and demand the same Exercise of Religion with their Prince or Lord, at their own expence; it shall be lawful for the said Prince or Lord to grant it them, without prejudice to others, and so that his Successors cannot take it away. But as to the Members of the Confiftory, the Visitors for Sacred Matters, the Professors of Schools, and Univerfities of Theology and Philosophy, they may not be of any other Religion but that which shall be publickly profes'd in every respective place. And forasmuch as all those things are to be understood of a Change happening for the future, they shall not in any wife prejudice the Rights which in that respect belong to the Princes of

Anhalt and other Princes. But besides these Religions, no other shall be receiv'd or tolerated in the Sacred Ro-

man Empire.

VIII. And in order to prevent for the future all Differences in the Political State, all and every the Electors, Princes, and States of the Roman Empire shall be so establish'd and confirm'd in their antient Rights, Prerogatives, Liberties, Privileges, free Exercise of their Territorial Right, as

The Re-establishment of the Estates of the Empire to their antient Rights

well in Spirituals and Temporals, Seigneuries, Regalian Rights, and in the possession of all these things, by virtue of the present Transaction, that they may not be molefted at any time in any manner, under any pretext

whatsoever.

1. That they enjoy without contradiction the Right of Suffrage in all Deliberations touching the Affairs of the Empire, especially in the matter of interpreting Laws, refolving upon a War, imposing Taxes, ordering Levies and quartering of Soldiers, building for the publick Use new Fortresses in the Lands of the States, and reinforcing old Garisons, making of Peace and Alliances, and treating of other fuch-like Affairs; so that none of those or the like things shall be done or receiv'd afterwards, without the Advice and Confent of a free Affembly of all the States of the Empire: That, above all, each of the Estates of the Empire shall freely and for ever enjoy the Right of making Alliances among themselves, or with Foreigners, for the Preservation and Security of every one of them: provided nevertheless that these Alliances be neither against the Emperor nor the Empire, nor the publick Peace, nor against this Transaction especially; and that they be made without prejudice in every respect to the Oath whereby every one of them is bound to the Emperor and the Empire.

2. That the States of the Empire affemble within the space of fix Months, counting from the Date of the Ratification of the Peace, and after that as often as the publick Interest and Necessity shall require; That in the first Dyet they correct especially the Faults of preceding Assemblies; and moreover, that they treat and regulate the Election of King of the Romans, the Imperial Capitulation, which ought to be reduc'd to Terms that cannot be chang'd, the Manner and Order that ought to be observ'd in putting one or more of the States under the Bann of the Empire, besides what has been formerly declar'd in the Imperial Constitutions; That they treat there also of the Re-establishment of the Circles, of the Renewal of the Matricula, of the means of inserting in it the Names of such as have been taken out, of moderating and lowering the Taxes of the Empire, of the Reformation of the Policy, and Law of the Fees that are paid to the Imperial Chamber, of the best manner of forming and instructing the ordinary Deputies according to the Necessity and Advantage of the Commonwealth, of the true Business and Duty of the Directors of the Colleges of the Empire, and of other such-like Assairs

which cannot be specify'd here.

3. That the free Towns of the Empire have a decisive Voice in the general and particular Dyets, as well as the other States of the Empire; and that their Regalian Rights, annual Revenues, the Liberties and Privileges of Confiscation, and imposing of Duties, may not be touch'd or meddled with, nor any thing that depends thereupon, nor any other Rights which they have legally obtain'd of the Emperor and the Empire, or which they have posfess'd and exercis'd by a long Usage before these Troubles, with an entire Jurisdiction within the Inclosure of their Walls and Territories; whatsoever has been hitherto done or attempted to the contrary by Reprifals, Arrests, stopping up of Passages, and other prejudicial Acts, by private Authority during the War, upon any pretext whatfoever, or which may afterwards be done or executed without any pretended Formality of Law, remaining for that effect void and null, and forbidden for the future. For the rest, all the laudable Customs, Constitutions, and fundamental Laws of the Empire, shall for the future be strictly kept and observ'd, and all the Confusions and Disorders that have crept in during the War, shall be remov'd.

4. As to an equitable and proper Method, whereby legal Actions against Debtors ruin'd by the Calamities of War, or burden'd with too great Interests, may be terminated with moderation, to obviate greater Inconveniences which might arise from thence, and which might endanthe publick Tranquillity; his Imperial Majesty shall take

care to have and collect the Advices and Opinions of the Aulick Council, as well as of the Imperial Chamber, to the end they may be propos'd in the next Dyet, and that a certain Conftitution may be form'd thereupon. That in the mean while, in Causes of this nature, which shall be carry'd to the superior Tribunals of the Empire, or the particular Tribunals of the States, the Reasons and Circumstances that shall be alledg'd by the Parties be weigh'd, and that none be hurt by immoderate Executions; but all this without prejudice to the Constitution of Holstein.

IX. And forafmuch as it imports the Publick, that, after the Conclusion of the Re-establish-Peace, Commerce and Trade should Houment of Comrith again every where; it is agreed for that end, That the Duties and Taxes, as also the Abuses of the Bull of Brabant, and the Reprisals and Arrests following thereupon, with the foreign Certificates, Exactions, Imprisonments and Detentions, the excessive Charge of Postage, and all other unusual Expences and Hindrances of Commerce and Navigation, which have been of late introduc'd to the prejudice thereof, and against the publick Interest up and down the Empire, on occasion of the War, by a private Authority, contrary to all Rights and Privileges, without the Consent of the Emperor and the Electors of the Empire, shall be entirely taken away: fo that the antient Security, Jurisdiction, and Custom, which have obtain'd long before these Wars, shall be re-establish'd and inviolably preserv'd to the Provinces, Ports and Rivers of the

The Rights and Privileges of Territories water'd by Rivers or otherwife, as also the Tolls granted by the Emperor with the Consent of the Electors, among the rest to the Count of Oldenburg upon the Weser, or establish'd by long Custom, remaining in their full Vigour and Execution; there shall be an entire Liberty and Freedom of Commerce, and a free and safe Passage thro all Places by Sea and Land: and therefore it shall be lawful for all and every the Vassals, Subjects, Inhabitants and Servants of the Allies of both sides to go and come, negotiate and return; and this shall be understood to be granted by virtue of these Presents, in the same manner

Empire.

that it was lawful to do so on all sides before the Troubles of Germany. And the Magistrates of both sides shall be bound to protect and defend them against all sort of Oppression or Violence, like the Natives of those Places, without prejudice to the other Articles of this Convention, and the particular Law and Rights of each Place.

X. Next, the most Serene Queen of Satisfaction of Sweden having demanded Satisfaction to be made her for the Restitution which she is oblig'd to make of the Places by her occupy'd during this War, and that lawful means might be provided for re-establishing publick Peace in the Empire; his Imperial Majesty for that esset, with the Consent of the Electors, Princes, and States of the Empire, and particularly of those concern'd, yields to the said most

Serene Queen, her Heirs and Successors, by virtue of the present Transaction, the following Provinces, in full Right and perpetual and immediate Fief of the Empire.

1. All the hither Pomerania, commonly call'd Vor-Pommeren, together with the Isle of Rugen, included in the Limits wherein they were bounded under the last Dukes of Pomerania. Besides, in further Pomerania, the Towns of Stetin, Garts, Dam, Golnau, and the Isle of Wolin, with the River Oder, and the Arm of the Sea commonly call'd the Frischchauff. Likewise the three Mouths of Peine, Smine, and Divenom, and the adjacent Land on both sides, beginning at the Royal Territory, and reaching to the Baltick Sea, in such an Extent on the Eastern Bank, as shall be amicably agreed betwixt the Royal and Electoral Commissioners, who shall be nam'd for the more exact Regulation of the Limits and the other Particulars.

Her Majesty and the Kingdom of Sweden shall hold and possess from henceforth and for ever, in hereditary Fief, the said Dutchy of Pomerania, and the Principality of Rugen, and shall enjoy and make use of them sreely and inviolably, together with the Domains and Places annex'd, and all the Territories, Bailliages, Towns, Castles, Burghs, Villages, Hamlets, Fiefs, Rivers, Isles, Lakes, Banks, Ports, Roads, antient Tolls and Revenues, and all other Goods whatsoever Ecclesiastical and Secular; as also the Titles, Dignities, Immunities, Preeminencies and Prerogatives, and all the other Rights

and Privileges, Ecclefiaftical and Secular, in the fame manner that the former Dukes of Pomerania had, pos-

fess'd, and govern'd them.

Her Royal Majesty and the Kingdom of Sweden shall also have for the suture for ever all the Right which the Dukes of hither Pomerania had in the Collation of the Dignities and Prebendaries of the Chapter of Camin, with power to extinguish them, and incorporate them into the Ducal Domain after the Death of the present Prebends: but as to what of these belong'd to the Dukes of surther Pomerania, that shall remain to the Elector of Brandenburg, with the entire Bishoprick of Camin, its Lands, Duties and Dignities, as shall be more amply explain'd afterwards.

The Royal Family of Sweden, and the Electoral Family of Brandenburg, shall use the Titles, Dignities and Arms of Pomerania, without any distinction, as the former Dukes of Pomerania us'd them; the Royal Family for ever, and that of Brandenburg so long as there shall remain any Descendants of the Male Line: but yet the Family of Brandenburg must not lay any claim to the Principality of Rugen, nor to any other Right upon the

Places yielded to the Crown of Sweden.

But the Male Line of the Family of Brandenburg coming to fail, all others except Sweden shall abstain from taking the Titles and Arms of Pomerania; and then also the whole further Pomerania, together with the hither Pomerania, and the whole Bishoprick, and entire Chapter of Camin, together with all the Rights and Dependencies of the former Possessors that shall be united thereto, shall for ever belong to the Kings and Crown of Sweden only, who in the mean time shall enjoy the Benefits of an apparent Succession and simultaneous Investiture, so that they shall be oblig'd to give the accustom'd Assurance to the States and Subjects of the said Places for the Performance of Homage. The Elector of Brandenburg, and all others concern'd, discharge the States, Officers and Subjects of all the faid Places of the Tyes and Oaths by which they have hitherto been engag'd to him and those of his Family, and remit them for the future to pay their Homage and Services in the accustom'd manner to her Majesty and the Crown of Sweden. And thus they constitute, for that effect, the Crown of Sweden in full Power and Possession of the things abovesaid, renouncing from henceforth and for ever all the Pretensions which they had thereto; which they will here confirm for them and their Descendants by a particular Act.

2. The Emperor, with the Consent of the whole Empire, yields also to the most Serene Queen, and her Heirs and Successors, and to the Kingdom of Sweden, in perpetual and immediate Fief of the Empire, the Town and Port of Wismar, with the Port of Walksch, as also the Bailliage of Poel (except the Villages of Schedorf, Weidendorf, Brandenbusen, and Wangern, belonging to the Hospitals of the Holy Ghost in Lubeck) and that of Newenchester, with all their Rights and Appurtenances, in the same manner that the Dukes of Mecklenburg have posses'd them to this day; so that all the said Places, the entire Port, and the Land of both sides, from the Town to the Baltick Sea, shall remain at the free dispofal of her Majesty, to be fortify'd and strengthen'd with Garisons according to her good pleasure, and the Exigency of Circumstances (but at her own Charges) that To she may always have there a safe Retreat for her Ships and Fleet: besides, she may enjoy and use the same with the like Right that belongs to her in her other Fiefs of the Empire; faving nevertheless the Privileges and Commerce of the Town of Wismar, which will be more and more increas'd by the Royal Protection and Favour of the Kings of Sweden.

3. The Emperor, with Confent of the whole Empire, likewise yields, by virtue of the present Transaction, to the most Serene Queen, and her Heirs and Successors being Kings, and to the Crown of Sweden, in Fief perpetual and immediate of the Empire, the Archbishoprick of Bremen, and Bishoprick of Werden, with the Town and Bailliage of Wilshusen, and the whole Right that did belong to the late Archbishops of Bremen over the Chapter and Diocess of Hamburg: faving however to the House of Holstein, as well as to the City and Chapter of Hamburg respectively, their Rights, Privileges, Liberties, Compacts, Possessions, and present State in all things; so that the fourteen Villages of the Bailliages of Trittou and Rheinbeck in Holstein shall remain for ever to Frederick Duke of Holftein-Gottorp and his Posterity, instead of a present annual Revenue: and the said Archbishoprick, Bishoprick, and Bailliages, shall be for ever in the possession of the said Crown, with all the Rights Ecclesiastical and Secular thereto belonging, what name soever they go by, in whatever place they be situated, in the Sea or on Land, with the usual Arms, however under the Title of a Dutchy: The Chapters and other Ecclesiastical Colleges remaining for the suture deprived of the Right of Election or Presentation, and of all other Right, Administration, or Government of Lands belonging to those Dutchies.

The Town of Bremen, its Territory and Subjects shall be left without any Trouble or Hindance in their present State, Freedoms, Rights and Privileges, in Ecclesiastical and Political Matters. And if they should chance to have any Contests with the Bishoprick or Dutchy, or with the Chapters, they shall be amicably terminated, or decided in a legal way; saving in the mean time to each of

the Parties the Possession they are in at present.

4. The Emperor and the Empire do receive, upon the account of all the foresaid Provinces and Fiefs, for an immediate State of the Empire, the most Serene Queen and her Successors to the Crown of Sweden, so that the foresaid Queen and the said Kings shall from henceforth be call'd to the Imperial Dyets with the other States of the. Empire, under the Title of Dukes of Bremen, Werden, and Pomerania, as well as under that of Princes of Rugen, and Lords of Wismar; and there shall be assign'd them a Seat in the Imperial Affemblies in the College of Princes upon the Bench of the Seculars in the fifth place. viz. for Bremen, in that same place and Order; but for that of Werden and Pomerania, the Places shall be regulated according to the antient Order of the former Predecessors. Moreover, in the Circle of the Upper Saxony, immediately before the Dukes of further Pomerania; and in the Circles of Westphalia and the Lower Saxony, in the ordinary place and manner: However, the Directorthip of the Circle of the Lower Saxony shall be exercised by the Dukes or Archbishops of Magdeburg and Bremen alternately, without prejudice however to the contradictory Right of the Dukes of Brunswick and Lunenburg. As to the Affemblies of the Deputies of the Empire, her Majesty of Sweden and his Electoral Highness of Brandenburg shall have their Deputies there in the accustom'd

manner: But because there belongs but one Voice only to both the *Pomerania's*, it shall always be given by her Majesty, after having first communicated with the Elector of *Brandenburg*. In fine, the Emperor and the Empire yield and grant to the said Queen and the Crown of *Sweden*, in all and every their Figs, the Privilege of not appealing, provided she shall establish, in a commodious place in *Germany*, a Tribunal, or Instance of Appeal, where she will put Persons capable of administring to every one Right and Justice according to the Constitutions of the Empire, and the Statutes of each place, without Appeal, or Removal of Causes.

On the contrary, if it should fall out that the Kings of Sweden, as Dukes of Bremen, Werden, and Pomerania, and as Princes of Rugen, or Lords of Wismar, should legally appeal for any one, in a Cause concerning these Provinces; his Imperial Majesty leaves them at liberty to chuse what Tribunal they please, whether it be the Aulick Court or the Imperial Chamber, there to bring the Suit commenc'd. They shall however be oblig'd to declare in three months after the day of the Declaration of the Difference, what Court they will appeal to.

He likewise gives over to her Majesty of Sweden, the Right of erecting an Academy or University, where and when she shall think proper; and also grants to her, by perpetual Right, the modern Tolls, commonly call'd Licences, upon the Coasts and in the Ports of Pomerania and Meckleburg, provided they be reduc'd to so moderate a Tax, that Commerce may not thereby be interrupted in those parts. And finally, he discharges the States, Magistrates, Officers and Subjects of the said Provinces respectively from all Tyes and Oaths, whereby they have been hitherto engag'd to the preceding Lords, Possessors or Pretenders; and remits and obliges them to pay Subjection, Obedience and Fidelity to her Majesty and the Crown of Sweden, as being from this day the hereditary Owner of these Provinces: and thus constitutes Sweden in full and lawful Poffession of all these things, promiling upon his Imperial Word and Faith to give and yield not only to the Queen reigning at present, but also to all the future Kings, and the Crown of Sweden, all Security with relation to the faid Provinces, Goods, and Rights yielded and granted, and to preferve and maintain them inviolably against all Persons whatsoever, in the peaceable possession of those Provinces, and to confirm the whole in the best Form, by particular Letters of Investiture.

The most Serene Queen, the suture Kings, and the Crown of Sweden, shall reciprocally acknowledg, that they hold all and every the foresaid Fiess of his Imperial Majesty and the Empire; and upon that score shall demand, as often as shall be requisite, the Renewal of the Investitures, taking the Oath of Fidelity, and all that is thereto annex'd, like the former Possessor, and like Vas-

fals of the Empire.

For the rest, they shall confirm, in the accustom'd manner (at the Renewal and Performance of Homage) to the States and Subjects of the said Provinces and Places, particularly those of Stralsond, their Liberty, Goods, Rights and Privileges, common and particular, lawfully obtain'd or acquir'd by long Usage, with the free Exercise of the Evangelick Religion, to be enjoy'd by them for ever, according to the pure and true Confession of Augsburg. They shall also preserve to the Hanseatick Towns, which are in those Provinces, the same Liberty and Freedom of Navigation and Commerce, which they ever had till the present War, as well in foreign Kingdoms, Republicks and Provinces, as in the Empire.

XI. In order to give an equivalent Compensation to the Lord Frederick William, Elector of Brandenburg, who, to advance the General Peace, gave up the Rights which he had upon the hither Pomerania, Rugen, and the Provinces and Places there-

to annex'd; the Bishoprick of Halberstadt, with all its Rights, Privileges, Regalian Rights, Territories, and Goods Ecclesiastical and Secular, by whatever name they are call'd, without any exception, shall be yielded in perpetual and immediate Fief of the Empire by the Emperor, with Consent of the States of the Empire, and especially of those concern'd, after the Peace shall be concluded and ratify'd betwixt the two Crowns and the States of the Empire, to the said Elector and his Male Successors, Heirs and Cousins of the Father's side: among others to Marquiss Christian William, formerly Administrator of the Archbishoprick of Magdeburg; Christian of Culmbach, and Albert of Onolezbach, and their

Successors and Heirs Male; and that the foresaid Elector shall be presently put in the peaceable and real possesfion of that Bishoprick, and have on that score a Seat and Voice in the Imperial Dyets, and in the Circle of Lower Saxony. But he shall leave Religion and the Ecdefiaftical Goods in the same state that they were regulated by the Archduke Leopold William, in the Convention made with the Chapter of the Cathedral: But so that notwithstanding that, the Bishoprick shall remain hereditary to the Elector and to his whole House, and to his Male Relations of the Father's fide above-mention'd, their Successors and Heirs Male, in the order they ought to fucceed to one another, without any Right remaining to the Chapter, in Election and Presentation, or in the Government of the Bishoprick, or any other thing thereunto appertaining; but the faid Elector, and the rest according to the Order of succeeding, shall enjoy in that Bishoprick the same Right and Power which the other Princes of the Empire enjoy in their Territories; and it shall also be lawful for them to extinguish the fourth part of the Canonicates (except the Provostship, which shall not be included in that number) according as those of the Confession of Augsburg, who possess them at present, come to die, and to incorporate the Revenues thereof into the Episcopal Mannor. And if there should not be Canons enough of the Confession of Augsburg to make the fourth part of the whole Body, when the Provostship is excepted, it shall be supply'd out of the number of the Catholicks who shall come to die.

As also forasmuch as the County of Hohenstein (for that part of it which is a Fief of the Bishoprick of Halberstadt, consisting of the two Bailliages of Lora and Kletenberg, and of some other Burghs, with the Goods and Rights thereto appertaining) was reunited after the Death of the last Count of that Family, to that Bishoprick, and possess dever to this time by the Archduke Leopold William, as Bishop of Halberstadt; the said County shall also remain irrevocably united to that Bishoprick, with free liberty to the said Elector to dispose of it as hereditary Possessor of the Bishoprick of Halberstadt, notwithstanding all Contest, of what Force or Authority soever it be, or by whomsoever form'd.

The faid Elector shall also be oblig'd to maintain the Count of Tattembach in possession of the County of Rheinstein, and to renew the same Investiture which the Archduke confer'd upon him with Consent of the Chapter.

There shall also be yielded by his Imperial Majesty. with Consent of the States of the Empire, to the forefaid Elector, for him and his Successors above-mention'd in perpetual Fee, and in the fame manner that the Bishoprick of Halberstadt was, the Bishoprick of Minden, with all its Rights and Appurtenances, for the faid Elector and his Heirs and Successors, to be put in the real and peaceable possession thereof, immediately after the Conclu-fion and Ratification of the present Pacification, and on that score the said Elector shall have a Seat and Voice in the general and particular Dyets of the Empire, as well as in those of the Circle of Westphalia; saving to the City of Minden its Immunities and Rights, in things fa-cred and profane, and its entire and mix'd Jurisdiction in Criminal and Civil Causes; especially the Right of Banlieue, and the Exercise of that Jurisdiction granted, and, for the time being, accepted; as also the other Rights. Immunities and Privileges which lawfully appertain to it. according to antient Usage; on condition however, that the Hamlets, Villages and Houses which belong to the Prince, Chapter and the whole Clergy, and the Order of Knights, which are respectively situated in the Territory, and within the Walls of the City, shall be excepted; and for the rest, the Right of the Prince and of the Chapter shall remain inviolable.

In like manner the Bishoprick of Camin shall be yielded and given over by the Emperor and the Empire to the foresaid Elector and his Successors, with the same Rights and in the same manner as the Bishopricks of Halberstadt and Minden have been dispos'd of above; with this difference only, That in the Bishoprick of Camin the foresaid Elector shall be at liberty to extinguish all the Canonicates, after the death of the present Canons, and thus to add and incorporate in time the whole Bishoprick with further Pomerania.

The forefaid Elector shall in like manner have the Reversion of the Archbishoprick of Magdeburg, yet in such a manner, that when it shall become vacant, either by

the Death of the present Administrator Augustus Duke of Saxony, or by the Administrators succeeding to the Electorate, or in fine, by any other means, the whole Archbishoprick, with all the Territories thereto appertaining, Regalian and other Rights, according to the manner of disposing of the Bishoprick of Halberstadt as above, shall be yielded and given in perpetual Fies to the foresaid Elector, and his Successors, Heirs and Cousins Male of the Father's side, notwithstanding all Election and Presentation which might be secretly or publickly made during that time; and he and they shall have Right to take the Possession of it, when vacant, by their own proper Authority.

In the mean time the Chapter, with the States and Subjects of the foresaid Archbishoprick, immediately after the Conclusion of the Peace, shall be bound to oblige themselves for the future by Oath, to pay Fidelity and Subjection to the foresaid Elector, to his whole Electoral House, and to his Successors, Heirs and Cousins Male by

the Father's fide.

His Imperial Majesty shall renew to the City of Magdeburg, at the Instance by it most humbly made to him, its antient Liberty and Privilege, granted to it by Otho I. dated the 7th of June, 940. altho the same be lost thro the Injury of Time; as also the Privilege of fortifying it, granted by the Emperor Ferdinand II. which Privilege extends half a German League, with all Jurisdistion and Property; in like manner its other Privileges shall remain in their force and inviolable, as well with relation to Ecclesiasticals as Temporals, with a Clause inserted, importing, that Suburbs shall not be built in prejudice of the City.

As to what concerns the four Bailliages or Prefectures of Querfert, Guterbok, Dam and Bork, since they have been already yielded to the Elector of Saxony, they shall likewise remain in his Power, however with this Referve, that the Elector of Saxony shall for the suture contribute to the Collections of the Empire and of the Circle, the Quota which has been contributed until this day for the said Bailliages; and the Archbishoprick shall be discharg'd of it, and express mention thereof shall be made in the Matricula of the Empire, and of the Circle. And in order to repair in some measure the Dimi-

nution of the Revenues belonging to the Chamber and Mannor of the Archbishop arising from thence, not only the Prefecture of Eglen, which formerly belong'd to the Chapter, is given and yielded to the Elector of Brandenburg, and his Successors, to possess the same, and enjoy the full Right thereof, immediately after the Conclusion of the Peace (and the Suits commenc'd on that score some years ago by the Counts of Barby remaining extinct and bury'd) but likewise when he shall have obtain'd the possession of the Archbishoprick, to extinguish the fourth part of the Canonicates of the Cathedral, when they shall become vacant by Death, and to apply the Revenues thereof to the Archiepiscopal Chamber.

The Debts formerly contracted by the present Administrator Augustus Duke of Saxony, shall not be clear'd out of the Revenues of the Archbishoprick, in case it be vacant or devolve, in the manner already specify'd, to the Elector of Brandenburg, and his Successor; nor shall it be allow'd to the Administrator to charge for the future the foresaid Archbishoprick with new Debts, Alienations and Ingagements in prejudice of the Elector, and of his

Successors and Relations Male.

The competent Rights and Privileges shall also be preferv'd to the States and Subjects of the foresaid Archbishoprick and Bishoprick, especially the Exercise of the Confession of Augsburg, as it is at present; and what has been transacted and agreed in the matter of Grievances. between the States of the Empire of the one and the other Religion, shall not be less regarded (in so far as they shall not be contrary to the Regulation above in the Vth Article of Grievances, §. 8. which begins, The Archbishopricks, Bishopricks, and other Ecclesiastical Goods, &c. and ends with these words, and to this Transaction.) than if they were inferted here word for word, and the foresaid Archbishopricks and Bishopricks shall belong to the Elector and the House of Brandenburg, and to his Successors and Heirs by the Father's side for ever, with hereditary and immutable Right, in the same manner that they have a Right over their other hereditary Lands. And as to what concerns the Title or Quality, it has been agreed, that the foresaid Elector, with the whole House of Brandenburg, and all and singular the Marquisses of Brandenburg, shall be call'd and qualify'd Dukes of Magdeburg, and Princes of Halberstade and Minden.

Her Majesty of Sweden shall also restore to the forefaid Elector, for him, his Successors, Heirs and Relations Male by the Father's side; in the first place the rest of the surther Pomerania, with all its Appurtenances, Goods, Ecclesiastical and Secular Rights in sull Property, as well for the Dominium utile, as for the Dominium directum.

In the fecond place, the City of Colberg, with the whole Bishoprick of Camin, and the whole Right which the Dukes of the further Pomerania formerly had in the Collation of Dignities and Prebendships of the Chapter of Camin; but so that the said Rights granted above to her Majesty of Sweden, shall entirely remain to her, and that the faid Elector shall confirm and preserve, in the best manner possible, to the States and Subjects in the restor'd part of the further Pomerania, and in the Bishoprick of Camin, at the renewing and paying of Homage, their competent Liberty, and their Goods, Rights and Privileges, to enjoy them perpetually without any Trouble, according to the Tenor of the Reversal Letters (which the States and Subjects of the faid Bishoprick are likewise to enjoy, as if they had been directly granted to them) with the free Exercise of the Confession of Augsburg, in so far as it has not been chang'd.

In the third place, all the Places which are at present posses'd by the Swedish Garisons, upon the Borders of

Brandenburg.

In the fourth place, all the Commanderies and Goods belonging to the Order of the Knights of St. John, fituated without the Territories which were granted to her Majesty and the Crown of Sweden, together with the Acts, Registers, and other Documents and original Papers which concern those Places, and those Rights which are to be restor'd. And as to the common Papers which concern both the hither and further Pomerania, and which are either in the Archives or Chartularies of the Court of Stein, or essewhere, without or within Pomerania, Copies thereof shall be given in good and due Form.

XII. As to what concerns Adolphus Fre-Compensation to
the House of Meckleberg-Schwerin, on
account of the Alienation of the Town
Meckleberg, and Port of Wismar, it has been agreed, that he shall have for him, and his Heirs Male, in perpetual and immediate Fee, the Bishopricks of Schwerin and Ratzburg (saving to the House of Saxony Lunenburg, and other Neighbours, as also to the said Diocess, the Right which regards them of both sides) with all the Rights, Documents, Titles, Archives, Regifters, and other Appurtenances, and even the Power of extinguishing the Canonicates of the two Chapters, after the Decease of the present Canons, in order to apply all the Revenues thereof to the Ducal Mannor; and that he shall have on that score a Seat in the Assemblies of the Empire, and of the Circle of the Lower Saxony, with the double Title and Voice of a Prince. Now although Gustavus Adolphus Duke of Meckleburg, Nephew to Gustrop, has been formerly delign'd Administrator of Ratzburg; yet because the benefit of their being restor'd to their Dutchies does not regard the Nephew less than the Uncle, it has been found equitable, that the Uncle having yielded Wismar, the Nephew in his turn should yield that Bishoprick. But on the said Duke Gustavus Adolphus, for that reason, by way of Recompence, shall be confer'd two Benefices or Canonicates, of those that according to the present Accommodation of Grievances stand affected to such as profess the Confession of Augsburg, one in the Cathedral Church of Magdeburg, and the other in that of Halberstadt, of the first that shall become vacant.

As to what next regards the two Canonicates, which are claim'd in the Cathedral Church of Strasburg; if from that Quarter any thing should fall to the share of the States of the Confession of Augsburg, by virtue of this present Transaction, the Revenue of two Canonicates shall be given out of those fort of Incomes to the Family of the Dukes of Meckleburg, however without any prejudice to the Catholicks. And if it should happen that the Male Branch of Schwerin should come to fail, while that of Gustrow subsists, then this last shall succeed to the

other.

For the greater Satisfaction of the faid House of Meckleburg, there shall be yielded to him for ever the two Commendams of the Order of Knighthood of Sr. John of Jerusalem, Mirow and Nemerow, situated in that Dutchy, by virtue of the Disposition express'd in the Vth Article, s. 9. till the Contests and Disserences about Religion in

the Empire shall have been accommodated, viz. Mirow to the Line of Schwerin, and Nemeraw to that of Guftrow, on this condition, that they shall be oblig'd to obtain themselves the Consent of the said Order, and pay to the same from thenceforth, as well as to the Elector of Brandenburg, as Patron thereof, the accultom'd Services, as often as shall be necessary and requisite. His Imperial Majesty shall likewise confirm to the said House the Customs upon the *Elbe*, formerly obtain'd for ever; with Exemption from the Contributions which shall for the future be rais'd in the Empire, excepting what relates to the Satisfaction of the Swedish Militia, until the Sum of three hundred thousand Rixdollars shall have been fatisfy'd for. The pretended Debt of Wingerschin shall also remain extinct, as contracted upon the account of the War, with the Processes and Decrees which have fprung from thence; fo that the Dukes of Meckleburg, and the City of Hamburg, may not from henceforth be molested or disquieted upon that score.

Equivalent and Recompence to the House of Brunswick.

XIII. The Ducal Family of Brunswick and Lunenburg, having, in order the better to facilitate and establish the publick Peace, yielded the Coadjutories which it had obtain'd out of the Archbishopricks of

Magdeburg and Bremen, and the Bishop-ricks of Halberstadt and Ratzburg, on condition, among other things, that to it should be granted the alternative Succession of the Bishoprick of Osnabrug with the Catholicks: His Imperial Majesty, who does not think it proper, in the present State of Affairs in the Empire, any longer to neglect or retard the publick Peace upon that score, consents and permits that this alternative Succession to the Bishoprick of Osnabrug shall take place between Catholick Bishops and those of the Confession of Augsburg, who shall however be presented by the Family of the Dukes of Brunswick and Lunenburg, so long as it subsists, and that in the manner, and on the Conditions following.

Bishoprick of Count of Wassemberg, Senator of the Kingdom of Sweden, renounces all the Right which he had obtain'd, on occasion of the present War, over the Bishoprick of Osnabrug, and frees

the States and Subjects of that Bishoprick from the Oath which they took to him: Therefore the Bishop Francis William, and his Successors, as also the Chapter, the States and Subjects of that Bishoprick, shall be obliged, by virtue of these Presents, to pay to the said Lord the Count, or his Order, in Hamburg, during the space of sour years, the Sum of eighty thousand Rixdollars; so that they shall be obliged to pay to him or Order, in the City of Hamburg, twenty thousand Rixdollars each year: for the execution whereof, the publick Law of this Pacification shall give all Authority to all Acts given out against those that fail.

2. The said Bishoprick of Osnabrug shall be entirely restor'd, with all its Appurtenances, as well Secular as Ecclesiastical, to the soresaid Bishop Francis William, who shall possess it in sull Right, according as shall be stipulated by the Clauses of the invariable and perpetual Capitulation which shall be made upon that account, by the common Consent as well of the said Prince Francis William, as of the Princes of the House of Brunswick-Lunenburg, and the Capitularies of the Bishoprick of Osna-

brug.

- 3. As to what relates to the State of Religion, of Ecclefiafticks, as also the whole Clergy of the one and the other Religion, as well in the same City of Osnabrug, as in the other Countries, Towns, Burghs, Villages, and other Places belonging to that Bishoprick, the whole shall remain and be fettled in the same State it was on the 1st of January, 1624. And there shall be a Specification of all the Changes that shall be found to have been made fince the faid year 1624 (as well with regard to the Minifters of the Word of God, as of the Divine Worship) which shall be inserted in the foresaid Capitulation. And the Bishop shall promise to his Estates and Subjects. by Reversal or other Letters (after having receiv'd their Homage according to antient Form) to preserve their Rights and Privileges, and all other things besides, which shall be found necessary for the future Administration of the Bishoprick, and the Safety of the States and Subjects of both fides.
- 4. The Bishop coming to die, Ernest Augustus Duke of Brunswick and Lunenburg shall succeed him in the Bishoprick of Osnabrug, and shall from henceforth be de-

fign'd his Successor, by virtue of the present publick Peace; so that the Cathedral Chapter of Osnabrug, as also the States and Subjects of the Bishoprick shall be oblig'd, immediately after the Death or Refignation of the present Bishop, to receive for Bishop the said Duke Ernest Augustus; and for that end the foresaid States and Subjects shall be oblig'd within three months, reckoning from the day of the Conclusion of the Peace, to pay him the accustom'd Homage, in the manner above specify'd, upon the Conditions that shall be inserted in the perpetual Capitulation that is to be made with the Chapter; and if Duke Ernest Augustus should not survive the present Bishop, the Chapter shall be bound, after the Death of the Bishop that now lives, to present another Prince of the Family of Duke George of Brunswick and Lunenburg, upon the Conditions that shall be contain'd in the unchangeable Capitulation that shall have been receiv'd, which shall be observ'd reciprocally and for ever. And if he should happen to die, or to resign voluntarily, the Chapter shall be oblig'd to chuse and present a Catholick Bishop; and if any neglect should happen among the Canons or Prebendaries, the Ordinance of the Canon Law, and the Custom of Germany shall take place in that case; faving however the perpetual Capitulation, and the prefent Transaction. Wherefore the alternative Succession between the Catholick Bishops, chosen by the Chapter, or otherwise presented, and those of the Confession of Augsburg (who shall only be the Descendants of the Family of the faid Duke George) shall be admitted. And if there be several Princes of that Family, one of the younger Brothers shall be chosen and presented to that Bishoprick; and if the younger Brothers fail, one of the Princes Regent shall be chosen: and failing these also, the Posterity of Duke Augustus shall in fine succeed with the perpetual Alternative, as has been faid, between that Family and the Catholicks.

5. Not only the said Duke Ernest Augustus, but likewise all and every one of the Princes of the Family of the Dukes of Brunswick and Lunenburg, of the Consession of Augsburg, who shall alternately succeed to that Bishoprick, shall be oblig'd to preserve and defend (as has been settled above in the 3d Article, and as it shall be further settled in the perpetual Capitulation) the State of Religion, and of the Ecclefiasticks, as also of the whole Clergy, as well in the City of Osnabrus, as in the other Countries, Burghs, Hamlets, Villages and Towns, and all

the other Places belonging to that Bishoprick.

6. And to the end that in the Administration and Government of the Bishops of the Confession of Augsburg, there may arise no Difficulty or Confusion with regard to the Censure of Catholick Ecclesiasticks, nor with relation to the Usage and Administration of the Sacraments, according to the manner of the Church of Rome, nor with respect to other things which concern Order; the whole Disposal and Regulation of all that is mention'd above shall be referv'd to the Archbishop of Cologne as Metropolitan, excluding those of the Confession of Augsburg as often as the alternative Succession shall fall upon a Prince of that Confession: But this only excepted, the other Rights of Sovereignty and Government, as well in Civil as in Criminal Matters, shall remain inviolably to the Bishop of the foresaid Confession, according to the Laws and Rules of the future Capitulation; and reciprocally, as often as a Catholick Bishop shall govern in the Bishoprick of Osnabrug, he shall not pretend or have any Right over the Ecclefiafticks of the Confession of Augsburg.

7. That the Monastery or Provostship of Walkenried, whereof Christian Lewis Duke of Brunswick and Lunenburg is present Administrator, be confer'd by the Emperor and Empire, with the Land of Schauven, in perpetual Right of Fee, upon the Dukes of Brunswick-Lunenburg, together with all their Appurtenances and Rights, to be possessed by the Families of Brunswick-Lunenburg, in the same Order as above; the Right of Advocacy or Protection, and all the Pretensions of the Bishoprick of Halberstadt and County of Habenstein, remaining entire-

ly extinct and annul'd.

8. As to the Debt contracted by Frederick Ulric Duke of Brunswick-Lunenburg with the King of Denmark, and yielded by this last to his Imperial Majesty in a Treaty of Peace concluded at Lubeck, whereof a Gift was made to Count Tilly, General of the Imperial Army; the present Dukes of Brunswick-Lunenburg having represented, that for several Reasons they are not obliged to pay that Debt, and the Ambassadors and Plenipotentiaries of the Crown

of Sweden having on their part likewise acted very vigorously in that Affair, it has been agreed, for the Good of the Peace, that that Debt shall remain extinct, and that the said Dukes shall be freed from any Obligation in this matter, as well as their Heirs and Estates.

o. The Dukes of Brunswick-Lunenburg, of the Branch of Zell, having hitherto paid the annual Interest of twenty thousand Florins to the Chapter of Ratzburg, it has been resolv'd, that as the Alternative ceases at present, so the said annual Interests shall cease likewise, with the entire sinking of the Debt, and all other Obligations on that score.

10. Two Prebendships in the Bishoprick of Strasburg, that shall become vacant first, shall be confer'd on the two Dukes, Anthony Ulric, and Ferdinand Albert, younger Sons of Augustus Duke of Brunswick-Lunenburg, on condition that Duke Augustus shall renounce the Pretensions which he formerly had, or might have had upon the one or the other Canonicate.

11. And in exchange the said Dukes shall renounce the Presentations and Coadjutorships of the Archbishopricks of Magdeburg and Bremen, as also of the Bishopricks of Halberstadt and Ratzburg; so that whatever has been regulated above in this Treaty of Peace touching these Archbishopricks and Bishopricks, shall have its sull and entire Essect, without any contradiction on their part the Chapters remaining in every respect in the same State that has been agreed upon above.

Satisfaction to Christian William Marquiss of Brandenburg. XIV. As touching the Sum of twelve thousand Rixdollars, which ought to be annually paid to William Christian Marquiss of Brandenburg, by the Archbishoprick of Magdeburg, it has been agreed, That the Cloister and Bailliages of Zima and Lo-

burg, shall be immediately yielded and given over to the said Marquiss of Brandenburg, with all their Appurtenances, and full and entire Jurisdiction, excepting only the Right of Territory; and that the said Marquiss shall enjoy these Bailliages his whole Life, without being in any manner accountable for them; provided however, that no Prejudice be done to the Subjects of the said Bailliages, either as to Temporals or Spirituals.

And whereas the faid Cloister and Bailliages, as well as the Archbishoprick, have suffer'd very much thro the Injury of Time, the present Lord Administrator shall pay without delay, for that reason, to the said Marquis, the Mony that shall be levy'd for that effect upon the said Archbishoprick, viz. the Sum of three thousand Rixdollars, of which neither the faid Marquis nor his Heirs shall be oblig'd to make any Restitution. It has been moreover agreed, That after the Decease of the said Marquifs, it shall be lawful for his Heirs and Successors to retain, for the space of five years, the said Cloister and Bailliages, and all their Appurtenances, Dependencies and Rights, and enjoy and use the same, upon the account of Victuals that have not been furnish'd, without being oblig'd to render any Account. But after the Expiration of the five years, the faid Bailliages, with their Jurisdiction, Rent and Revenue, shall return, without any delay, to the Archbishoprick, nor shall any thing be demanded or pretended upon the account of the faid Sum; and all this shall take place when the said Archbishoprick of Magdeburg shall be posses'd by the Elector of Brandenburg, for his equivalent and due Recompence, and by his Heirs and Successors.

XV. As to the Affair of Hesse-Cassel, that which follows has been agreed upon.

1. In the first place, the Family of Hesse-

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Cassel, and all the Princes thereof, especially the Lady Amelia Elizabeth, Landgravine of Hesse, and Prince William her Son, an

of Hesse, and Prince William her Son, and their Heirs, Ministers, Officers, Vassals, Subjects, and others ingag'd in their Service in any manner whatsoever, without any Exception, notwithstanding any Contracts, Processes, Prescriptions, Declarations, Sentences, Executions and Transactions to the contrary (all which, as well as Actions or Pretensions upon account of Damages or Injuries from Neutrals, and such as carry'd Arms, shall remain void and null) shall fully enjoy the General Amnesty formerly establish'd, with an entire Restitution, to take place from the Commencement of the War in Bohemia (except the hereditary Vassals and Subjects of his Imperial Majesty, and of the House of Austria, as it is regulated in the Paragraph, In sine all, &c.) as also all the Advantages slowing from that Amnesty, and the religious

Peace, with the like Right that other States enjoy, as it is regulated in the Article which begins, With the com-

mon Consent also, &c.

2. In the second place, the House of Hesse-Cassel, and the Successors thereof, shall keep the Abby of Hiesseld, with all its Appurtenances, Secular and Ecclesiastical, situated without or within its Territory (as the Provost-ship of Gelingen;) saving nevertheless the Rights which the House of Saxony has posses'd there time immemorial; and for that end they shall demand Investiture of his Imperial Majesty, as often as shall be requisite, and shall take an Oath of Fidelity for the same.

3. In the third place, the Right of Dominium directum & utile to the Bailliages of Schaumberg, Buckenburg, Saxenhagen and Stratthagen, formerly made over and adjudg'd to the Bishop of Minden, shall from hencesorth belong to William Landgrave of Hesse, and his Successors sully and for ever, without any Dispute or Trouble from the said Bishop or any other; saving nevertheless the Transaction betwixt Christian Lewis Duke of Brunswick-Lunenburg, the Landgrave of Hesse, and Philip Count of Lippe, the Convention between the said Landgrave and the said Count remaining likewise in its Force and Vi-

gour.

Moreover, it is agreed, That for the Restitution of the Places posses'd during this War, and by form of Indemnity, the Sum of six hundred thousand Rixdollars, of the Value and Goodness regulated by the last Imperial Constitutions, shall be paid, during the space of nine months, reckoning from the time of the Ratification of the Peace, to the Lady the Landgravine of Hesse, and her Son, or to her Successors Princes of Hesse, by the Archbishopricks of Mentz and Cologne, the Bishopricks of Paderborn and Munster, and the Abby of Fulde in the City of Cassel, at the Charge and Hazard of the Payers, without admitting any Exception or Pretext for hindring the promis'd Payment; and far less may any Arrest or Seizure be made of the Sumagreed.

And to the end that my Lady the Landgravine of Hesse may be so much the better assur'd of Payment, she shall keep and retain, on the sollowing Conditions, Nays, Consteld and Newbanss, and have Garisons in those Places, which shall depend upon none but her self; but on this

Condition, That besides the Officers and others necessary for the Garisons, those of the three foremention'd Places shall not exceed the number of twelve hundred Foot and a hundred Horse, leaving to my Lady Landgravine the Disposal of the number of the Cavalry and Infantry which shall please to put into each of these Places, and what

Governours fhe shall appoint.

The Garisons shall be maintain'd according to the Order commonly observ'd hitherto in the Maintenance of the Officers and Soldiers of Hesse; and whatever shall be necessary for keeping up the Fortresses, shall be furnish'd by the Archbishopticks and Bishopricks, in which the said Fortresses and Towns are situated, without diminution of the Sum afore-mention'd. It shall be lawful for the said Garisons to distrain the Recusants and Negligent, but not beyond the due Sum. In the mean time, the Rights of Sovereignty, and the Jurisdiction both in Ecclesiasticals and Temporals, as also the Revenue of the said Fortresses and Towns, shall be pre-

ferv'd for the Lord the Archbishop of Cologn.

But so soon as three hundred thousand Rixdollars shall have been paid to my Lady Landgravine after the Ratification of the Peace, she shall render up Nuys, and keep only Coesfeld and Newhaufs; however the thall not put the Garison that goes out of Nays into Coesfeld and Newbaufs, nor demand any thing upon that account: nor shall the Garison of Coesfeld exceed the number of six hundred Foot and fifty Horse, or that of Nephaus the number of a hundred Foot. And if the whole Sum be not paid to my Lady Landgravine within the space of nine months, not only Coesfeld and Newhaus shall remain in her hands till the entire Payment thereof, but likewise she shall receive Interest for the rest of the Sum at the rate of 5 per Cent. till the whole shall have been paid off: And the Treasurers and Receivers of the Bailliages belonging to the faid Archbishopricks, Dutchies and Abbeys, and the Places contiguous to the Principality of Heffe, which shall stand good for the Payment of the faid Interests, shall oblige themselves by Oath to my Lady Landgravine to pay her out of the Mony they receive the annual Interests of the remaining Sum, even altho their Masters should forbid it. And if the Treafurers and Receivers delay Payment, or employ the Revenues otherwise, my Lady Landgravine may use all means to constrain them to make Payment; the other Rights of the Master or Proprietor remaining in their first state. But so soon as my Lady Landgravine shall have received the whole Sum with the Arrears of the Garison, she shall restore the forenanced Places kept by her as a Security, the Interests shall cease, and the Treasurers and Receivers shall be free of their Oath. As to the Bailliages, out of the Revenue of which, Interest shall have been paid in case of Delay, that shall be provisionally agreed before the Ratisscation of the Peace; which Agreement shall be of equal force with this present Treaty of Peace.

Besides the Places which shall be left to my Lady Landgravine by way of Security, as has been faid, and which shall be given up by her after Payment; she shall restore in the mean while, immediately after the Ratification of the Peace, all the Provinces and Bishopricks, and all their Towns, Bailliages, Burghs, Fortresses, Forts; and in fine, all the immovable Goods and Rights by her occupy'd during these Wars: but so that not only my Lady Landgravine and her faid Heirs shall get back all the Ammunitions and Provisions that she shall have put into these three cautionary Places, and in the others to be restor'd by her (for as to such Ammunitions and Provisions that she has not brought, but found there when she was put in possession of the said Places, and which are yet there, they shall remain in the said Places) but also the Fortifications and Ramparts that have been rais'd during the time of her possessing these Places, shall be destroy'd and demolish'd; but the Towns, Burghs, Castles and Fortresles, shall not be expos'd to Invasion and Pillage.

And altho my Lady Landgravine has not exacted any thing of any Person upon the account of Restitution and Indemnity, unless from the Archbishopricks of Mentz and Cologn, the Bishopricks of Paderborn and Munster, and the Abbey of Fulde, nor desires that any thing should be paid her by any other upon that score; yet considering the Equity and State of Affairs, the Assembly has thought good, without prejudice to the Regulation in a preceding Paragraph, which begins, Moreover, it has been agreed, &c. that all the other States whatsoever on this or the other side the Rhine, which have paid Contribution to the Hessians since the first of March

this Year, shall furnish, in proportion of the Contribution' by them paid during that whole time, their Quota to the faid Archbishopricks, Bishopricks and Abbey, to make up the above-mention'd Sum, and for the Maintenance of the Garisons: And if any one suffer Damage by the Delay of others Payment, the Delayers shall be oblig'd to repair the same; and the Officers and Soldiers of his Imperial Majesty, of the most Christian King, and of the Lady Landgravine of Hesse, shall not hinder their being constrain'd thereto. Nor shall it be lawful for the Heffians to exempt any one in prejudice of this Declaration, but fuch as shall have paid their Quota shall from hence-

forth be exempted of all Charges.

As to what concerns the Differences between the Houses of Hesse-Cassel and Darmstadt, touching the Succession of Marburg, seeing they were entirely accommodated on the 14th of April last, by the unanimous Confent of both Parties; it has been thought good, that that Transaction with all its Clauses, Appurtenances, and Dependencies, as it was made and fign'd at Caffel by the interested Parties, and represented in this Assembly, thall in virtue of the present Treaty have the same force as if it was inferted therein word for word, and that it may not be infring'd by the Parties contracting, nor by any other upon any pretence, whether of Contract, Oath, or any other thing; but that it shall be exactly observ'd by all, altho any of such as are interested should perhaps refuse to confirm it.

In like manner the Transaction betwirt the late William Landgrave of Heffe, Christian and Wolrad Counts of Waldeck, made the 11th of April 1635, and ratify'd by George Landgrave of Hesse the 14th of April 1648. shall have full and perpetual Force by virtue of this Pacification, and shall equally oblige all the Princes of Hesse,

and all the Counts of Waldeck.

That the Right of Primogeniture introduc'd into the House of Hesse-Cassel, and that of Darmstadt, shall remain firm, and be inviolably observ'd.

XVI. So foon as the Treaty of Peace shall have been subscrib'd and sign'd by the Ceffation of Plenipotentiaries and Ambassadors, all Acts Hostilities. of Hostility shall cease, and whatever things have been agreed above, shall at the same time be executed and perform'd on both fides.

Pecuniary Satisfaction to Sweden, and Evacuation of Places.

In the first place, the Emperor himself shall cause to be publish'd Edicts thro the whole Empire, and precisely command those who are oblig'd by these Conventions and this present Transaction to restore and accomplish, without fail or delay, all that

they are bound to restore and accomplish, and to execute, between the time of the Conclusion and that of the Ratification of the Peace, the things that have been transacted; enjoining the Princes Directors and the Colonels of the Circles to procure and cause to be executed the Restitution of every one, according to the Order of Execution, and of these Compacts, at the Request of those who are to be restor'd. In like manner, this Clause shall be inserted in the said Edicks, That because the Directors of a Circle, or the Colonel of the Militia, are not thought fo proper to do this Execution in their own proper Cause and Restitution; in that case (and if perhaps the faid Directors, or Colonel of the Militia, should refuse the Commission) the Princes Directors, and Colonels of the neighbouring Circle, shall acquit themselves of the said Commission of Execution, with respect to other Circles, at the request of those who are to be reftor'd.

And also if any one that is to be restor'd should stand in need of the Emperor's Commissaries to support and strengthen the Act of any Restitution, Payment, or Execution (which shall be at the Choice and Option of the Person to be restor'd) they shall be given immediately; and in that case, and the more to hasten the Accomplishment of the things agreed above, it shall be lawful for those who are to restore, as well as for those who are to be restor'd, to name two or three Commissioners of either side, immediately after the Conclusion and Signing of the Peace, out of which his Imperial Majesty shall chuse one, whom those who are to be restor'd shall name. and likewise one out of those whom they who are to restore shall name; but so as there may be an equal number of both Religions, whom he shall appoint to execute without delay whatever ought to be effected by virtue of the present Transaction. And if those who ought to restore shall neglect to name Commissioners, then his Imperial Majesty shall chuse one of those whom the Party to be restor'd shall have nam'd, and add another at his pleasure, always in an equal number of both Religions, whom he shall appoint to execute the Commission, notwithstanding the Opposition and Contradiction of the adverse Party; and those who are to be restor'd shall notify to those who are to make Restitution, immediately after the Conclusion of the Peace, the Tenor of the

things which have been transacted.

In fine, all and every the States, Communities, or particular Persons, whether Ecclesiasticks or Seculars, who by virtue of the present Transaction, and the general Rules therein laid down, or of any particular and express Regulation, are oblig'd to restore, yield, give, do or fulfil any thing, shall be oblig'd immediately after the Publication of the Imperial Edicts, and after Notification of that which ought to be restor'd, to yield, give, restore, do and fulfil all that they are bound to, without Resistance, Opposition, or Allegation of any Prohibition, general or special saving Clause, inserted above in the Amnesty, and without any other Exception, as also without doing any damage to any one; and for that effect no State or Garison, nor any other whatsoever, shall oppose the Execution of the Directors, or Colonels of the Militia of the Circles, or of the Commissioners, but on the contrary shall give Assistance to the Executors against those who shall endeavour in any manner to hinder the faid Execution. It shall also be lawful for them to make use of their own Force for that end, or the Force of those whom they are to put in possession.

All the Prisoners of both sides, whether of the Sword or of the Gown, without any distinction, shall afterwards be set at liberty in the manner that the Generals have agreed or shall agree, with Consent of his Imperial

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Last of all, as to what regards the disbanding of the Swedish Soldiery, all the Electors, Princes; Status, and the free Nobility of the Empire of the seven following Circles, viz. the Circle of the four Electors of the Rhine, of Upper Saxony, of Franconia, of Swabia, of the Upper Rhine, of Westphalia, of the Lower Saxony (saving their Suit which has been usual hitherto in the like cases, and their Liberty and Exemption for the suture) shall be

oblig'd to contribute the Sum of five Millions of Rixdollars in good Specie current in the Empire, in three Terms; in the first Term, that of one Million eight hundred thousand Rixdollars, which the States shall pay every one according to their Quota, viz. the States of the Circle of the Electors of the Rhine, and those of the Circle of the Upper Rhine, at Frankfort on the Main; those of the Circle of Upper Saxony, at Leipsick or Brunfwick; those of the Circle of Franconia at Nuremburg; those of the Circle of Swabia at Ulm; those of the Circle of Westphalia at Bremen or Munster; and those of the Circle of the Lower Saxony at Hamburg. order the more easily to obtain the Payment of that Sum. it shall be lawful for those who are to be restor'd according to the Amnesty, that is to say, for the true Lords and Proprietors (not the present Possessors) to impose and levy upon their Subjects the Quota which they are to pay immediately after the Conclusion of the Peace. and even before Restitution shall have been made; nor shall the present Possessors give any hindrance when these Contributions shall be exacted. Likewise the Sum of twelve hundred thousand Rixdollars shall be paid the first Term, in Assignments upon certain Estates, upon rea-Sonable Conditions, and to which each State shall agree bona fide, in the space betwixt the Conclusion and Ratification of the Peace. After which Convention and Exchange of the Ratifications of the present Treaty, the said eight hundred thousand Rixdollars shall be paid, the Disbanding of the Soldiery and the Evacuation of Places shall be finish'd at the same time, and in equal proportion, without any impediment or hindrance being given upon any account what soever. In the mean time, immediately after the Conclusion of the Peace all Contributions and Exactions whatfoever shall cease; saving however the Subfiftence of the Garifons and other Troops, which shall be agreed upon reasonable Conditions; saving likewife to the States that shall have paid their share, or who shall have amicably accommodated the same with the proper Officers, the liberty of demanding Satiffaction for the Damages which they may have fuffer'd by their Neighbour States delaying to pay their Quota.

And as for the second and third Payments, the foresaid States of the seven Circles shall pay bona fide in the Cities above-mention'd to the Ministers thereto deputed, and empower'd by her Majesty of Sweden, the first Moiety of two Millions at the end of the next Year, reckoning from the disbanding of the Troops, and the other Moiety at the end of the following Year; the whole in Rixdollars, or other current Mony of the Empire. And whereas the said seven Circles are only oblig'd to pay the Swedish Soldiery, without any Pretension by any other, so all the Electors, Princes, and States of these Circles shall pay their share only conformably to the Matricula and Usage receiv'd in each place, and upon the Terms of Specification thereupon deliver'd.

As to the Circles of Austria and Bavaria (the States of the Empire having promis'd to his Imperial Majesty in this present Assembly, that in the first Dyet of the Empire they would give a Succour out of the Imposts of the Empire, for the Expence of the War which it hath suffer'd till this time) the Circle of Austria hath been exempted from other Charges. and reserv'd for the Payment of the Emperor's own Army, and the Circle of Bavaria for the Militia. The Imposts and Taxes in the Circle of Austria shall remain at the disposal of his Imperial Majesty. But in that of Bavaria the same manner of taxing and paying shall be observ'd, as is observ'd in the other Circles; and the Execution of the same shall be as in the other Circles, according to the Constitutions of the Empire.