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LETTER CXV.

TO THE SAME.

Bath, Dec. 20, 1757.

DEAR DAYROLLES,

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* I AM afraid still, as I told you in a former, of the confequences of the king of Pruffia's paffionate defire of taking Breflaw, not only for the fake of recovering his capital of Silefia, but of taking prince Charles, Daun, and the numerous Auftrian garrifon; exactly the cafe of Prague. As to our final fuccefs upon the whole of the war, I abfolutely defpair of it, and I think it must necessarily end both difgracefully and difadvantageoufly for us. Were my three fchemes executed, as I am morally fure they might be, our terms of peace would be fomething better. I hope we fhall no longer be frightened out of our wits, with the never-intended French invafion of this country, which has been hitherto puffed by, I know who, and I know why, and has crippled all our operations abroad. Is lord Loudon recalled as the news-papers fay? For my part, fince he is there, I would rather continue him, and fend him politive and unequivocal orders what to do, than fend a new man, who might perhaps get there too late, and might then, if a backward one, plaufibly plead his ignorance of the ftate of those affairs, and do nothing at all. * Adieu, my friend.

Yours,

C.

LETTER