The ROMANOV Dynasty (in RUSSIA)

Peter the Great (1672 / r. 1682 – 1725) oo Catherine I (Marta Helena Skavronska)
Tsar and Tsarina (Emperor and Empress)
- having been to Western Europe (esp. England and the Netherlands), Peter was determined
to bring Russia (by force) into modern times (the 18th century)
-he moved the center of the Romanov dynasty from Moscow (the Kremlin)
to a new city near the Baltic Sea: ST. PETERSBURG, the “window on the West”
-there he also built the palace of PETERSHOF
   -expanded by subsequent monarchs

Tsarina CATHERINE I (1684 / r. 1725 - 1727)
Tsar PETER II (1715 / r. 1727 - 1730)
Tsarina ANNA (1693 / r. 1730 - 1740)
Ivan VI (1740 - 1764 / r. 1740 - 1741)

Tsarina ELIZABETH (1709 / r. 1741 – 1762 / a daughter of Peter the Great)
- her nephew Peter von Holstein-Gottorp marries Sophie Auguste von Anhalt-Zerbst (in 1744)
- Elizabeth joins Maria Theresa in the 7 Years War (1756 – 1763) against Frederick the Great
- Elizabeth’s death ended Russian participation in this war (1762)
- her nephew Peter becomes tsar:

PETER III (1728 / r. 1762 for 3 months; is overthrown by his wife:)

CATHERINE II, the GREAT
(1729 / r. 1762 – 1796 / Princess Sophie Auguste von Anhalt-Zerbst-Dornburg)

-Palaces: the Winter Palace
            Petershof
            Tsarskoye Selo
            Pavlovsk

-Catherine “freely mixed her lovers with her politics”
- STANISLAUS II (1732 - 1798) becomes King of Poland (r. 1764 - 1795)

-the First Partition of Poland (1772)
-Pugachev’s Rebellion (1773 – 1774)
The HOUSE of BOURBON – CAPET (in FRANCE)

LOUIS XV (1710 – 1774 / r. 1715 – 1774)
(great grandson of Louis XIV, builder of Versailles)

Capital: Paris
Palaces: Louvre and Tuileries in Paris
         Versailles (near Paris)
         Fontainebleu (etc etc etc)

LOUIS XV oo Marie Leszczynska

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Louis XV

- married to Marie Leszczynska
  - begins the dynastic connection of France (the Bourbons) to the Kingdom of Poland

-Madame de Pompadour (1721 – 1764)
  - the mistress of King Louis XV from 1745 until her death 1764
  - “après moi, le déluge” (“after me, the Flood”)

-Louis, the Crown Prince (son of Louis XV) dies 1765
  - thus, his young son, LOUIS AUGUSTE, Duke of Berry
    (the grandson of King Louis XV)
    becomes Crown Prince, Dauphin, (the later Louis XVI)

The HOUSE of HABSBURG (also called The House of AUSTRIA)

Capitals: Vienna, Innsbruck, Prague, Budapest
Main Habsburg palaces: The Hofburg and Schönbrunn (both in Vienna)

MARIA THERESA, Archduchess of Austria (1717 – 1780) and
ruler of the Habsburg lands (1740 – 1780)
LOUIS XV, King of France
“a slave to a succession of light women”

The Three Sisters:
the daughters of King Louis XV and aunts to the Crown Prince Louis,
Madame (Princess) Adelaide, Madame Victoire, Madame Sophie

1769 - Jeanne Beçu (1743 – 1793) becomes the new mistress, Maîtresse-en-titre, of King Louis XV as the Countess DuBARRY until his death 1774

1770 - the Archduchess MARIA ANTONIA von Habsburg, daughter of the great Empress Maria Theresa, is sent to Versailles to marry the Dauphin Louis
she thereby becomes the Dauphiness, the Crown Princess MARIE ANTOINETTE

the Habsburg Ambassador to the Court of Versailles:
Florimont-Claude, Comte de MERCY-Argenteau (1727 - 1794)

1773 - Marie Antoinette is introduced to Paris

1774 - King Louis XV dies Ascension of the Crown Prince as
LOUIS XVI and Queen Marie Antoinette (1754 / r. 1774 - 1791)

-the brothers of the King:
- Stanislaus Xavier, the Count of Provence
- Charles Philippe, the Count of Artois

1780 - death of Empress Maria Theresa von Habsburg Ascension of her oldest son as JOSEPH II, Holy Roman Emperor and Archduke of Austria
The Hatred Begins

1784 - the “Affair of the Necklace”
   -Jeanne of Valois-Saint-Rémy, “the Countess Lamotte-Valois” (1756 - 1791)
   -Nicolas de Lamotte

   -Louis, Cardinal de Rohan

   -Boehmer and Bassenge, jewelers

   -List of all the Persons with whom the Queen has had debauched Relations

   -Marie-Thérèse-Louise de Savoie-Carigan, the Princess Lamballe (1749 - 1792)

   -Marie-Louise-Élizabeth Vigée-LeBrun (1755 - 1842)

1787 - Charles Alexandre de Calonne (1734 - 1802), Minister of Finance

   Jacques Necker (1732 - 1804)
   Suzanne Curchod Necker (1737 - 1794)

   -the Friday Salon, where luminaries of Paris met to discuss literature and art
   and to engage in the art of conversation

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