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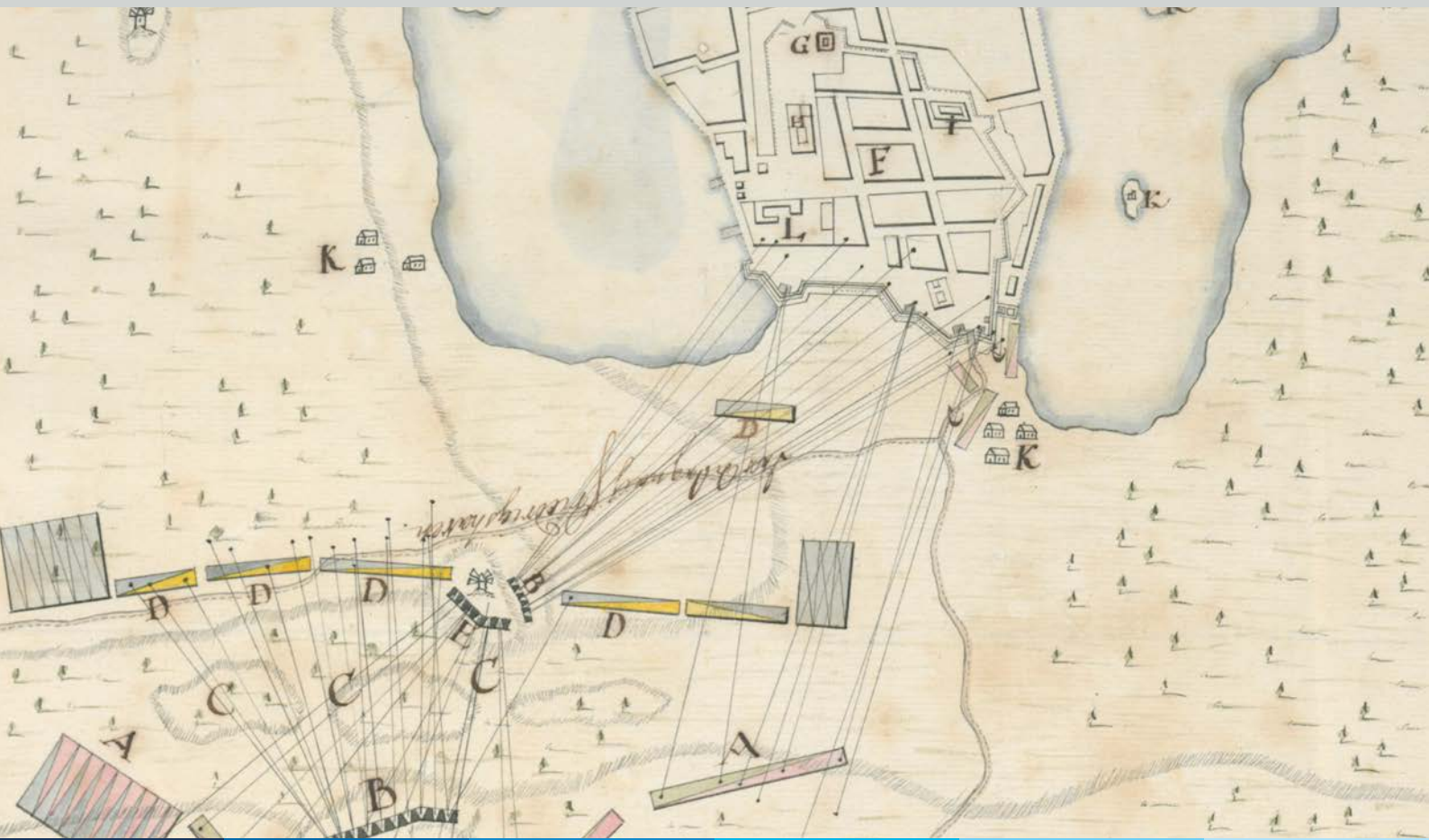
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The northern behemoths of Russia and Sweden began the eighteenth century with a war that altered the power balance of northern Europe. The Swedish Empire declined and the country entered an 'Age of Liberty', whilst Tsarist Russia emerged as an imperial power. Prussia, a heavy-weight in European politics, was alternately ally and enemy to Great Britain; the shifting alliances of this martial period are made particularly clear in the 'Treaty' series included in this collection. For Poland, the century was spent defending its territories from stronger powers, leading up to the First Partition of Poland in 1772.

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War of the Austrian Succession (1740-48)

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Murder of Tsar Peter III and the accession of Catherine the Great (1762)

Treaty of Hubertusberg ends the Seven Years' War, restoring the status quo in Europe (1763)

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