

“ you will accept my offer, and it is probable that some one may be sent during the winter, to converse further with you, if any body is sent he will tell you that he is come to talk with you, *on Family Matters.*”—The Prisoner then left the Room, the Witness had no further conversation with him.—

Upon his cross examination, by Mr. Francklin also of Counsel for the Prisoner, he said that he had given information to Government respecting the prisoner's designs in November last—That he had not received or been promised nor did he expect any reward whatever for his evidence—He always understood and believed the prisoner to be a subject of the United States.

*Francis Chandonet*—Deposed, that he was a subject of the United States of America. He knew the prisoner for the first time about eleven months ago. He saw him near the Province line the beginning of last winter. The prisoner wished to speak to him in private. They walked out together, when the prisoner informed him, that he had been recommended to him; that he had something of the utmost importance to communicate to him, but required a promise of secrecy. The witness refused; but the prisoner, observing he supposed the witness would not wish to take his, the prisoner's life, said he would proceed: He then told the witness that he was employed by the French Republic to go into Canada to feel the pulse of the inhabitants, to learn whether they were well or ill affected to the government; that he had been in the Province and thought a large body of the inhabitants might be induced to join in a revolution. He wished the witness to assist in the undertaking. He observed that the witness was then going to reside at Saint Regis, on the river Saint Lawrence; that he, the prisoner, wished secretly to introduce into Lower Canada, in the spring of the year, a quantity of arms and ammunition, as well by the river Saint Lawrence as by Lake Champlain; and he thought the whole might be concealed in rafts of lumber: He added, that a great quantity might also be introduced into the Province in rafts of firewood, from the Chateauguay river, and that these would be the least suspected, as they would be thought to be rafts from Upper Canada: “ Your situation,” said the prisoner, “ at Saint Regis is much suited to these objects which I have in view.” The prisoner then informed him, that he had a brother who was coming to the lines with a large quantity of dry goods, to be sold for the purpose of procuring a quantity of provisions, to be ready when the cause might require them; and that his brother's store of goods would furnish him (the Prisoner) with a good excuse for going backwards and forwards. The Prisoner urged the Witness to engage in the business, which however he declined; upon which the Prisoner observed “ that he was sorry and that if he (the Witness) divulged the conversation which had then passed between them, he (the Prisoner) must inevitably be hanged.”

On his cross examination, he said he did not know whether the Prisoner was or was not an American subject. That he (the Witness) was a Canadian by birth, that he left the Province in 1776, and was a naturalised subject of the United States.