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the undersigned to sir James Craig, and by him to
 lord Castlereagh, *with his lordship's approbation ;*
(b) and when the hostile preparations in the United
 States suggested to sir James Craig the necessity of
 making corresponding arrangements of precaution and
 defence, for the security of his majesty's colonies, he
 applied to the undersigned to undertake a secret and
 confidential mission to the northern states, to * * *
 the party already mentioned, to direct their operations,
 and transmit regular information of the same, and to
 endeavor to render their plans subservient to the in-
 terests of Great Britain. *(c)* The undersigned rea-
 dily undertook the mission, and spent five months in
 the active and zealous discharge of the duties connect-
 ed with it. * * * * *

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which deterred the general government from the pur-
 pose already mentioned, and from a coalition with
 France ; *(e)* while the information which he transmit-
 ted to sir James Craig, probably saved the trouble and
 expense of arming the Canadian militia. All this the
 undersigned performed without ever shewing his com-
 mission, or appearing as an authorized agent ; from a
 thorough conviction, that a discovery of his mission
 would furnish the French party with the means of de-
 stroying the influence of the party adhering to Great
 Britain, in every quarter of America, and enable the
 general government to go to war upon popular and
 tenable ground.

In the application of sir James Craig to the under-
 signed, to undertake the mission aforesaid, he says.

(b) See document No. 1, herewith submitted.

(c) See documents No. 1 and 2, herewith submitted.

(d) See letter No. 1, of the series transmitted by sir James
 Craig to the colonial department, under date Feb. 14, 1809.

(e) See the remainder of the aforesaid letters.