

eighth overt Act. Mr. Chandonet declined the Proposal. The Prisoner expressed his Sorrow, and begged him not to betray him, observing, that if he (Mr. Chandonet) divulged what he had told him, He (the Prisoner) must inevitably be hanged.

Gentlemen, Mr. Chandonet is an American Subject; and as the Prisoner solicited him to join in the projected Revolution, you have in his Testimony, Evidence also upon the sixth overt Act. But to support it still further, and to prove the seventh overt Act, I shall examine Thomas Butterfield. This Evidence is an Accomplice and a Subject of the United States. He first saw the Prisoner at Swanton, in the State of Vermont, in November last, the Prisoner told him, as he had told to all the other Witnesses, that he had been in Canada to feel the Pulse of the Inhabitants, to learn if they were willing to throw off the British Government. That he was employed for this Purpose by Mr. Adet the French Minister, and was then returning to him at Philadelphia, to let him know the Result of the Intelligence he had acquired in this Province. That he meant to return to Canada in the Spring, to prosecute the business in which he was engaged, and solicited him to join in the Enterprize, which he (Butterfield) engaged to do: this is direct Proof of the sixth and seventh overt Acts. It seems that the Prisoner, at this Time, entertained an Idea of taking the Garrison of Quebec by Surprise, for he mentioned it to Butterfield. — About the Middle of, April last, true to his Intention of returning to Canada in the Spring, he went again to Butterfield's House, seemed to be apprehensive that he was discovered and declined coming into the Province till he had seen one Charles Frichette a Canadian. Butterfield came to Saint Johns at the Prisoner's Request, for Frichette, and carried him to Swanton, where the Prisoner conversed with him; and then determined not only to come into the Province but to proceed to Quebec. Before he left Swanton he told Butterfield that his (Butterfield's) Pay should commence from November last, when he first engaged, and at parting informed him, that his Intention was to proceed to Quebec, to see whether and in what Manner the Garrison might be taken by Surprise.

Gentlemen, The next Witness to be produced on the Part of the Crown is Charles Frichette, another Accomplice, and a British Subject. His Evidence will go, generally, to support the overt Acts which charge the Prisoner with the Design of subverting his Majesty's Government and engaging his Subjects to rise in Rebellion; but more pointedly to the twelfth, thirteenth and fourteenth overt Acts. When he first saw the Prisoner, which was in July, 1796.

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