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pecting his views.—The Prisoner appears to have left Montreal shortly after the last Conversation with Barnard, for, he did not see him again till the Month of November last, he then met him at La Prairie, near Montreal. The Prisoner recognised him, pressed him again to join him, and as an Inducement told him that Things were ripening fast. That Canada was already a conquered Country. That a French Army and Fleet would be in the River early in the Spring. He asked him to sound the Minds of the People, and to let him know who might be depended upon. Barnard declined. The Prisoner then told him that if he would engage to let him know where the Property of the Seminary and of the principal Merchants at Montreal was deposited, he should, at all Events, be protected. This was the last Interview which he had with Barnard; it happened, I think, on the seventh of November.

Gentlemen, The next Witness which I propose to call is Elmer Cushing, and his Testimony is important as it goes to establish, not only the Prisoner's general Intention but who were his Employers. You will see from his Deposition, that, when Mr. Barnard saw the Prisoner at La Prairie, he was just returned from a second Visit to Montreal. The Prisoner came to the American Coffee-House, kept by Mr. Cushing, at Montreal, on the fifth of November last—He went out after Breakfast and was absent between four and five Hours. Upon his Return Mr. Cushing, who had known him for several Years, observed, that his Cloaths were covered with small Burrs and asked him where he had been; he said upon the Mountain. They had a little Conversation together, and upon Cushing's expressing some Fears respecting the Loyalty of the Canadians, the Prisoner desired to speak with him *in private*: they went into a back Room, and he then told him, as he had before told Barnard, that he had a Secret to communicate which, if known, would take his Life, and He required of him an Oath of Secrecy, which, after some Conversation, was taken by Mr. Cushing. The Prisoner then informed him, that he was employed by Mr. Adet the Minister of the French Republic at Philadelphia, to promote an intended Invasion of Canada, in the Spring, by a Fleet and an Army of ten thousand Men, to be assisted by the Canadians. He further told him that he had something in his Possession which would convince him that he was employed in the Business, and produced from between the soles of an old Shoe, which he took from his Saddle-Bags, a Paper signed "ADET" which certified that He (Mr. Adet) was interested in the Family Concerns of the Prisoner. This He informed him was intentionally written in an obscure Stile.

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