de Warville, which Briffot made to his name (to distinguish himself from his eldest brother) is a kind of local designation, not uncommon in many countries. William of Malmsbury, Geosfry of Monmouth, Rapin de Thoyras, Joan d'Arc, &c. &c. But in the orthography he substituted the English W for the French dipthong Ou; the sound of that dipthong being similar to our W. Thus Ouarville is pronounced Warville in both languages.

In a very short time after his release from the Bastile he very honourably discharged his pecuniary obligation to his friend in London.

In the year 1787, which was the era of the foundation of the French revolution, the Duke de Chartres, now become Duke of Orleans by the death of his father, embraced the party of the Parliament against the Court. Upon the principle of gratitude Briffot attached himself to the Duke of Orleans. As an honest man he could not do otherwise.

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