

You this Secret Transaction? The Reason that Mrs Birnie told me this, was this, Bambridge had great Intimacy with her and he had endeavoured to Suborn persons to Swear that I had Suborned them, and I told that Lady that in Justification to herself as she had been intrusted by Bambridge, she could not wipe off that Stain so well as by acquainting the Gentlemen of the Committee of Goals with all she knew about it, she made answer it was private Conversation, I told her where private Conversation contained anything detrimental to her Country, she ought to do Justice to her Country and discover it. You sayd from your own Knowledge that you knew Mrs Birnie had frequent Conversation with Bambridge, and you believe she knew many things that were Secrets of his. I sayd that Bambridge had made an Attempt to Suborn Evidence to give Evidence that I had Suborned Evidence to

I was also assured that there Blanks left in the Scheme for Subornation, and I did not know but they might be filled up ^{with} by some of the Members of this Honble House for whom they were designed, and I was informed that there was a Scheme laid for Roger Johnson to Swear that he was Suborned to give false Evidence against some Gentlemen, and I made use of this why Mrs Birnie should not keep any thing as a Secret.

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