

directed me to arguaint you that they cannot consent to the Removal of Roger Johnson to the Fleet without an Order from the Lords Com^{rs} of the Treasury.

Elizabeth Haynes was Examined.

Where do you live? I am a prisoner in the press Yard. How long have you been so? Three Months. For what? For Debt. Was you ever desired by any body and whom to swear against Lord Chief Justice Eyre? Yes I was. By whom? By One Blanchville the Day that the Dead Warrant came down to Execute Everett. Who was Blanchville? A prisoner in the press Yard. Where is he now? In Newgate. What was you desired to swear? Blanchville said there was one Campbell came down into the press Yard and there was a mighty hurry upon his coming in, and Everett was then at the Chappell at prayers and when he came down he called for pen ink and paper. I wondered what was the Matter and the Gent^l where I was came up and said Everett would save his Life, I asked how? He said by going to make a Discovery to the Committee of the House of Commons. What said I is he afraid of his Neck? what he can say now, won't do. Then the Matter went off at that time and I heard no more till the next Day. And as I was going to Bed, Blanchville came and said, are you a bed? I said No. Upon which he desired that I would step into his Room, and said it was true as I had said that this Letter of Everetts could do no good. and if I would I could save his Life yet. I asked

Then Mr Hughes rose up & said, I think it my Duty to acquit the Committee from whence this arose. Roger Johnson was under Examination before the Committee, & he acquainted them, that he was under great Terror as to his Confession: in Newgate, which made him unwilling to go on with his Lordships, upon that he was ordered to withdraw, and the Committee thought it fit to direct me to assure him, they would give him their protection, & that he should be under no Difficulties, he then produced a paper, it was a Report from the Com^{rs} of the Customs to the Treasury, in which the Com^{rs} agree that the Sum of 800 should be com^{rs}: promised for 400. The next day Mr Harbin told me that the Committee came to the Com^{rs} that Roger Johnson was under very great Terror, very great dread even of his Life. This man being ordered to be examined again & being under continual Terror, I believed he would not deliver that Evidence, which the Committee might wish to know the Truth by; Harbin told me that Johnson desired to be removed from Newgate to the Fleet by Habeas Corpus, which was due to him as a Subject of Great Britain, & ought to be so, & Harbin said if I would signify by Letter to Mr Metcalf Sol^r to the Commissioners of the Customs how this affair stood, he believed they would consent to it, upon which I sat down & wrote this L^r. - I wrote it without a thought that what I did was wrong, & I think it must appear to every Gentleman, when I sent it to a publick Office where it must remain to appear ag^t me if I had done wrong. This is the first that I wrote it, that the paper that was before you, said, that Campbell should say to Johnson, that Mr Oglothrop & myself had promised that he should be removed by Habeas Corpus. The next day I wrote this Letter the Com^{rs} was up, Mr Oglothrop was not with me nor did I ever talk with Mr Oglothrop upon this Subject, nor was it ever in my mind to write such a L^r till the Moment I wrote it, when Johnson gave Evidence, that Cambridge, Boatmiff & One West had been with him to suborn him to give false Evidence, I thought how very usefull. If I have done ought I should not have done, I have done it with an Intention of Good & of Love.

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