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Middlesex - The Examination of Pierre Le Suple, This -
 Examinant says he is a native of Paris, he -
 came first into England about fifteen years ago
 He went into the Service of His Royal Highness
 the Prince as Chief Cook he remained in it ten
 months, he then went to Germany, on his return
 he was recommended by Mr. Peck who belongs
 to His Royal Highness to Lord Beauchamp where
 he remained three months, then to Lord Stourton in
 Yorkshire and then to Lord Dungannon, after
 that he went to France in consequence of the
 ill Health of his wife, this was in 1791. -
 since that time he has been either in France
 or Germany, he has acted as a Wine Merchant
 he then resided at Fontainebleau where he
 kept a Tavern and had a Subscription Club
 of English Prisoners who used to meet and
 dine at his House, Examt. left Paris the 19th
 March last, he no longer keeps the House at
 Fontainebleau the reason is that the French
 Government suspected he was too much a
 Friend to the English & they therefore ordered them
 away from Fontainebleau and sent them to
 Verdun and other places, Examinant went
 to Paris, he entered into no Business or occupation
 there, He then having some business went to
 Flanders, he procured a passport for Lille, from
 thence he went to Brussels where he found
 Joseph Le Clerque, whom he had long known
 he was a Captain in the Light Artillery -
 Le Clerque communicated to Examinant a
 Plan which he has thought proper to lay -

before the British Government and they resolved to get to England for that purpose, they then returned to Paris to make their arrangements and on the 19th March they both left Paris for Lisle, Brupels Louvain, Aix le Chapelle, Cologne, and from thence to Cobden, they stayed at Cobden only Two Days, they came to England in a Danish Vessel, when they first arrived at Cobden they enquired for the English Consul, they shewed them an Office where there were some English persons, they informed these persons that they had something of consequence to England to communicate and they requested to know if there were at Cobden any English who had escaped from Fontenoy or Verdun as they knew such persons would give them and particularly Examinant a good Character the persons at this Office told them that there was no British Consul at Cobden & referred them to the Magistrates, they went to the Magistrates in order to have their Passports examined and then they went to the French Consul Chevalier a very great Jacobin, they told him they had Money owing them in England and wanted to go there, He persuaded them not to do so as they would be seized by the English Government being Frenchmen, However they procured from the Magistrates at length leave to pass to England, they had no other intercourse or Acquaintance with Chevalier, when they arrived in England they communicated their Scheme to the proper Department, at Harwich

Examinant wrote to Mr Peck informing him of his Arrival in England and requesting him to get permission for him to come to London Examinant has no other Acquaintance in Carleton House but Peck, whilst he has been in London he has always been in the hands of the Chesbrough of State and has not seen any of his former Acquaintance indeed he has hardly any left here

After communicating his affair here he went back with Le Cluque but at Harwich happened to quarrel with him, they went out on the Beach to fight they fought with Knives Exam^t received two slight wounds and he stabbed Le Cluque in the breast he was taken up and carried to the Magistrates they sent him up to London, he arrived here Yesterday at Eleven O'Clock, Exam^t is now 39 Years of age - Exam^t knows no Englishman at Embden - he saw there an Englishman who had been a Prisoner at Fontenoy named Smith, but who did not belong to his Club.

Taken before me

this 15th April 1704

R Ford

Copy Examination of
Pierre Le Sauphe

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