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TO THE SECRETARY OF THE TREASURY J. MSS. (ALBERT GALLATIN.)

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Your own opinion and that of the Attorney-General are sufficient authorities to me to approve of prosecuting in the case of the schooner *Sally*. And I will candidly add that my judgment also concurs. The handcuffs and bolts are palpable testimonials of the intention of the voyage, and the concealment of them and their omission in the statement of the cargo, strengthens the proof. The traffic, too, is so odious that no indulgences can be claimed.