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against them, and served a writ of habeas corpus upon the jailer, in whose custody they were. Twelve of them were ordered up to London, before the judges there, and, in the meantime, eleven of the others who accompanied them, and who were not mentioned in the writ, were forthwith placed on board a steam-frigate, and forwarded to the hulks at Portsmouth, from whence they were removed to the place of their original destination. They also obtained a copy of the warrant by which they were sent to England, and, for the first time, learned that their destination would have been Van Diemen's land, had not the service of the writ of *habeas corpus* prevented it. After much difficulty, and with much zeal on their behalf, by the kind friends who acted as their counsel, the judges decided that their transportation was illegal, and their detention unjust, and they subsequently were liberated, and returned to the United States.

Sutherland, and the rest of the men confined with us at the citadel of Quebec, were, in the following spring, brought from the lower province to Cornwall, in the upper, and from thence sent across to the American shore, after being detained in the different prisons and forts in Upper and Lower Canada for fifteen months, enduring hardships and distress, without any of them, save Sutherland, ever having a trial, or many of them ever even undergoing an examination.

In the month of June, I was arraigned for trial at the United States District Court, on the indictment procured against me for a breach of the neutrality laws; and although every means were taken to procure a conviction, and efforts made on the part of the official officers of the government in procuring witnesses, even from Canada, I was found not guilty by the jury, after a recess, on their part, of about ten minutes; and although the trial had lasted four days, it could not be proved that I had ever set on foot a