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I have been watching Mr. Laurens for two months now. He is a very desperate and determined man. Ever since he got here, the Tower of London, Mr. Laurens has been planning how he will get out. He is also a very clever person. Mr. Laurens has tried to manipulate everyone here at the Tower of London. I, personally, respect him for his persistence. I also don't think he should be here, and I pity him. Mr. Laurens is here for a very silly and foolish reason.

I have befriended him and would help him escape if needed. I believe he has a plan up his sleeve. He has been seeing doctors and complaining about his ill treatment. I don't totally agree with the way he is going about getting out of here, but he is a very intelligent man. He knows what he is doing and believes in his plan. Until he gets exchanged, he will have to live with the conditions. Hopefully, Mr. Laurens will be exchanged soon.

There has been plenty of gossip around the Tower of London. I have heard there is a prisoner coming for exchange. Maybe Mr. Laurens will be the one to be exchanged. Maybe this is his chance to get out of here. Maybe he will be the chosen one. Maybe he will get a chance to go back and help the Americans. I truly hope this is his chance to leave the Tower of London. Mr. Laurens would truly deserve it.