Dear Sir, Sheelwood 17. aug. 1829.

Gov. Johnson has gone to Bedford & will be absent for some weeks, but I feel competent to give you myself the information you ask of him. The law prohibiting the importation of slaves into Louisiana has been repealed and there is no obstacle to your sending or carrying them at this time. A act passed in the month of March last of some strictness regulating their introduction for the future. This act requires proof as to the moral character of the slaves and contains various regulations which can be only learned from a view of the act itself, which you can obtain from any other negro trader

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