

arrise, I here inclose you the different agreements & letters relative to the flour I'm to furnish, so that if Governor Hamilton requires more satisfaction about the matter, you will open the inclosed Packett & shew him the contents, if no occasion you will send it back Sealed to me as it now is, let the Quantity of flour be as much as possible without detaining the Vessell, you'll also let my Brother in law⁶⁴ have what Provisions he may want for them back. If the Master of the Vessell should want the value of 200^l, or some such thing let him have it & send me the Account.

I have promised M^r Howard that a small quantity of flour for him may come in my Vessell, the remainder to be filled with my Liquors if they are arrived, if not I have promised M^r David Rankin that he may put some things on board. I wrote you for a pair of Common Cart wheels & 2 Doz. of Chairs which please send by the Angelica. I want some Barrells of lime also if you can send them. I send some empty Barrells for sail.

Remember that none of my Liquors are to be left behind to take in things for any person except the 5 or 6 C^t of flour for M^r Howard. Pray borrow of some of the Naval department for me a small Anchor. I will be able to return it very soon as I have some on the way.

FROM JOHN ASKIN TO BENJAMIN FROBISHER AT MONTREAL,
JUNE 6, 1778

I will attempt writing you by these Indians but cant say I will get through, having three Vessells to fit off now, your Canoes & my Public employment.

S^t Cir arrived last night. I have delivered him the Canoes, all your Corn, Sugar, Gum, Bark & Watap now remaining here shall be delivered him to Day, all the rum coming up in the Canoes he shall also have (I expect they will arrive to day) I have this Spring got about five Barrells of Spirits up which is now a Drawing off & shall be sent, this with 60 Kegs of W. I. Rum I borrowed of M^r Barth is all the Liquors I can possibly muster I dont keep two Barrells for

⁶⁴ Jean Baptiste Barthe.