

M<sup>r</sup> Lyons sends, their contents are unknown to the Guides. You have likewise inclosed the men's Acc<sup>ts</sup> in so plain a manner as will not admit of any dispute, by it you'll see there is a ballance due them of 5116<sup>n</sup>. 4<sup>s</sup> for remainder of Wages, Equipments &c. which You'll please charge me with. There is one man named Couroy in your list to whom you advanced 74<sup>n</sup>. I can hear of no such person, nor any other in his stead. You'll please receive 90<sup>n</sup> from M<sup>r</sup> Dobie & as much from M<sup>r</sup> Perinault, for freight of their Packs. M<sup>r</sup> Lyons & M<sup>c</sup>Beath, I settle with here for freight of theirs. Since Settlement I sold the guide for 110<sup>n</sup> which please deduct from what is due him.

I dont know if I before mentioned to you to charge the Gentlemens Acc<sup>ts</sup> of this Garrison to me, I mean Lieutenants Bennett, Clowes & Doctor Mitchell

I am Dear friends &c

FROM JOHN ASKIN TO JEAN BAPTISTE BARTHE  
AT SAULT STE. MARIE

aMichilimaquina Le 7 de juliette 1778

Mon cher frere point de Barque arrivez du detroit depuis  
Mons<sup>r</sup> Brulon le rum veaut 240<sup>n</sup> Le baril La farine 100<sup>n</sup>  
C<sup>t</sup> le bled 30<sup>n</sup> le sac Huron lissivé La graise 8<sup>n</sup> la livre.

je vous prie de me renvoyer L'ancre que j'ai preté au  
sauvage per la premier auCasions je ne puis pas me servir  
du Grand Bateau Sans Cela j'ai Besoin ausie d'un palan  
double que j'ai peté a sauvage j'ai acheté tout les voilles et  
agre de la Barque de Mon<sup>sr</sup> Baſtevic pour environ 1500<sup>n</sup>  
Si vous En avez Besoin vous les auré au même prie Mon<sup>sr</sup>  
robertions me dit quils le vaut Bien un des deu Billiets

the close of the French and Indian War and soon thereafter was established in business as a member of the firm of Phyn and Ellice of Schenectady. The firm carried on an importing business, and engaged extensively in supplying the Detroit and Mackinac traders. Three of its letter books, covering the years 1767-76, are in the library of the Buffalo Historical Society. In the Revolution, Ellice remained loyal to the Crown, and going to Montreal, founded the firm of Inglis, Ellice & Co. About the year 1780 he returned to England as head of the London house, while his brother Robert remained in charge at Montreal. Information adapted from ms. notes in Burton Hist. Coll. and data in *Wis. Hist. Colls.*, XIX, 259 and *Buffalo Hist. Soc., Publications*, VI, 84.