

and afterwards buy Farms. I hear by them that Your Vessel has been 3 Days on the Way for this place, but lays at Anchor opposite the Wind Mill, perhaps the Wind will soon change. I forgot to mention above, that in the Letter to the Major I chose to take a late date since at that time we were wishing to lay our circumstances in this manner before him.

I am Dear sir Your most Obed^t Humble Serv^t

John Heckenwelder

[Askin's writing] Recv the 10th & Answ^d 11th

Addressed: M^r John Askin Merch^t at Detroit

Endorsed: River Huron Apr^l 9th 1786 M^r Heckenwelder to Jn^o Askin Recv^d the 10^h & Answ^d y^e 11th N^o 5

CONTRACT BETWEEN JOHN ASKIN AND JOHN CORNWALL

Agreed on between John Cornwell on the one part & John Askin on the other That the latter is to find the former with two men to work Constantly at Raissing of & Gathering of Indian Corn during this Ensueing Spring & Summer when Necessary to work at it as also to furnish said Cornwell with the use of a Horse & Cow & Plow Irons Untill the fall for the purpose of working at said Corn—and he [the] said Cornwell on his Part with the men John Askin is to furnish him & on[e] of his own Engagé to Raise all the Indian Corn he can at the Mauravian Town & give his attention to that Business when Necessary untill the Crop is got of the Ground at which time a Dividend is to be made of the Grain in which said John Askin is to share two thirds & said Cornwell on[e] third. Each of the Parties to mention [maintain] themselves or their People. Said Askin having Purchased the Houses & Improvements at Mauravian Town has agreed to lett M^r Cornwell have the use of one of them with a Garden this Summer without making any Charge for it in this House the man who works at the Corn are to stay.

As Witness of our Consent to this agreement we have