

favours of the Major towards Us, and think ourselves very happy in finding him (the same as Col^l De Peyster) a friend and Benefactor to Us, for whom it is our Duty to pray to God to bless abundantly, as it is not in our Power to make any other recompense.

But You, Dear Sir, may be also assured, that you will never be forgotten by Us. We are, and always will be indebted to You for the favours and kindness shown to Us, and our People last Spring, and wish and pray that God may reward You in full degree for it. I am sorry that I have hardly time to write this Letter, for I have at this time much to do, and much to think of, otherwise I should have been more particular. but I trust You will excuse me and Understand what I mean, tho it may be imperfect wrote. M^r Understund will do his best, and take as much of Your Corn and things as possible, and if We are so lucky as we wish, in getting the Vessel loaded, he may we hope have a better and quiker Voyage back than coming Up. Should I forget to mention any thing in this Letter, I shall mention or aquaint You by the next Opportunity or when I see You, in the mean time I remain

Dear Sir Your most Obed^t Humb^e Serv^t
John Hackenwelder

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

Endorsed: Huron River April 17^h 1786 M^r Heckenwelder
to Jn^o Askin Recv^d April 21st N^o 8

FROM JOHN CORNWALL TO JOHN ASKIN³³

River Huron the 27 april 1786

M^r John Askin

Sir I have put Amos Weston & Grubb and the two Dowlers³⁴ in prosession of the houses And Cornfields Acording to Your agreament With them be You ashured that I shall follow your Directions in Every Respect Without

³³ From the original manuscript in the Dominion Archives in Ottawa.

³⁴ One of these men was Robert Dowler, for whom see *ante*, 229.