

Appended: Recv^d the Within Mentioned Sum of Twenty five Pounds Twelve Shillings and Six Pence Currency this 1st of November 1790

Gregor M^cGregor Sheriff

Endorsed: Deed of Sale of Joseph Cadet's Farm To John Askin Esq^r Nov^r 1790

[By John Askin] Sold by me Afterwards to Prudhomme¹⁵ or Nantey

SALE OF ETIENNE LAVIOLETTE'S LAND

This Indenture made the twenty fifth Day of March in the Year of our Lord one thousand Seven hundred and ninety one, between Gregor M^cGregor Esquire Sheriff For the District of Hesse of the one Part and John Askin of Detroit Esquire of the other Part, WITNESSETH that WHEREAS by Virtue of a Writ of firefacious issued out of his Majestys Court of Common Pleas for the Said District at the Suit of John Askin of Detroit Merchant against the Goods & Chattles Lands and Tenements of Etienne Laviolet¹⁶

1791, and in 1794 was trading in the Ohio country. A letter of Askin written to him, Dec. 5, 1813, discloses that he was then living at the River Thames. Probably he was the nephew of Gregor McGregor, named by the latter as one of his heirs and as executor of his will, made at Petite Côte, Nov. 23, 1810. See mss. in Burton Hist. Coll.

¹⁵ Jean Baptiste Prudhomme *dit* Nantais, born in Nantes, Upper Brittany, in 1733, married at Montreal, April 24, 1758, Margaret Bigeot *dit* Dumouchel, daughter of Pierre Bigeot and Mary Joseph Dumouchel. Their son, Jean Baptiste Prudhomme *dit* Nantais, who was born at Montreal in 1759, is the person here noted. In 1782 he married Mary Ann Dellard, daughter of Francis Dellard and Mary Ann Blay. He subsequently married (second) at Detroit, Feb. 21, 1798, Archange Marsac, eldest child of Jean Baptiste Marsac and Geneveva Seguin *dit* Laderoute. He was buried at Detroit, Aug. 12, 1818. Denissen, *op. cit.*

¹⁶ Sebastian Jahan married Jane Oudinot and resided in Blois, diocese of Chartres, France. Their son, Jacques Jahan *dit* Laviolette, born in 1631, a tanner by occupation, was the founder of the American family line. He married at Quebec on Sept. 27, 1658, Mary Ferra, a native of Creveaux, in Picardy. The husband was buried at Quebec, April 4, 1699, and the wife at St. Jean, Isle of Orleans, Feb. 17, 1713. Their son, Jacques Jahan *dit* Laviolette, was born at Chateau Richer, Nov. 28, 1663, married there, Nov. 5, 1686, and was buried at Quebec, Apr. 17, 1711. His son, also named Jacques, was born in 1689 and died in 1763, having spent his life in Lower Canada. He was a captain of militia at the Coast of St. Joseph at Point Levis. His son, Etienne Jahan *dit* Laviolette, is the person mentioned in this document. He was born at Point Levis, Feb. 20, 1736. In early manhood he came west to Detroit, and on Feb. 3, 1766, married at Sandwich, Amable Judith Prudhomme, daughter of Francis Xavier Prudhomme and Judith Cuillerier, who resided at the South Coast of