

little Mare are all alive I am sure if it is otherwise it is not through want of care for they have a good Master I have never rode since my arrival here indeed my dear Meredith would not like the idea of it since the prancing Mare run away with me the recital of that circumstance allways makes him shudder a pleasing reflection for me as it discovers his tenaciousness of me. There are of fruit in this Country very good apples but I think none to compare with the *pome gris* of Montreal the cherries here I think preferable to those at Detroit one sort called white hearts are really delicious I have three cherry Trees in my garden which produces a great plenty and as I am very fond of cherry puddings I have them frequently when in Season.

We drank tea and spent last Evening with a Capt & M^{rs} Holloway of the Engineers there was a large party of Gentlemen also Sir William Green¹ cheif Engineer of all England and General of the Corps he is father to M^{rs} Holloway and came from his house in London to spend a few days with his daughter he is a pleasant old gentleman and we passed the Evening very agreeably. I perceive that it is almost time to conclude as my paper is near full so shall do it by assuring my dear Father how proud I am to subscribe myself his truly affectionate Daughter

Archange Meredith

P.S. my best Compliments to all enquiring Freinds and kind love to all the dear Family may God bless them all. Adieu

Addressed: John Askin Esq^r Detroit Canada favour of M^r Leith

Endorsed: Woolwich March 26^h 1794 M^{rs} Meridith to Jn^o Askin recv^d y^e 8^h Oct^r

*Please tell me how many calves my cow has had since I left her with you although I am not near you send me the money if you please I would be very glad I would use it for the little children, your grand-children. Pardon me my

¹ William Green was born in 1725, his mother being a sister of Adam Smith, the noted economist. He entered the Royal Military Academy in January, 1737, and