

Lands should cost Less. The said Alexander Henry Promises to use his Influence in the States to have such Purchase confirmed without making any charge for his time in so doing, nor will the said John Askin jun^r make any charge for his trouble his Expences only to be defrayed. John Askin Senior to pay the said Purchase and charge each Concerned with his Share and in Other Respects give what Assistance he can.

Alexander Henry

John Askin

John Askin jun^r

The shares of M^r Alex^r Henry & John Askin Jun^r of the Purchase specified on the Other side have not yet been charged them, tho paid & more by John Askin Senior the reason of this is because these Accounts have not as yet been finally settled. March the 11 1799

MEMORIAL OF JOHN ASKIN FOR GRANT OF LAND⁷

To his Excellency &^{ca}

The Memorial of John Askin Senior of Detroit Merch^t Humbly Sheweth that your Excellency's Memorialist came into this Country from Ireland in 1758 from which time Untill this day he has constantly lived Under the English Government fourteen years of which in his Majesty's Service & mostly at the Posts of Michilimackinac & Detroit & for his Conduct as a Magistrate, Militia officer, Member of the Land Board & subject he begs leave to refer to the Principal Servants of the Crown who have resided in the Upper Country. Your Ex. Memorialist had Destroyed of his Property in Montreal & at Lachine by the Americans when they took that Place to the Amount of £1700 & Odd Pounds, Owing as it [is] supposed to his having been then in his Majestys Service. he Also had destroyed by Order of Colonel Caldwell of the 8^h Reg^t to the Am^t of £200 & Odd Pounds, on the South side of Lake Erie where a Vessell waited least that Property should fall into the Hands of the Americans & lastly your Excellency has a knowledge of your

⁷ From the original manuscript in the Dominion Archives in Ottawa.