

or other persons authorised to confirm the same to the said Parties their Heirs and assigns forever. Then and in that case the said M^cNiff, Askwith and Ruland shall be paid for such Loss of time and trouble, One hundred Pounds New York Currency each by the whole of the parties concerned with All other expences attending the said Journey or Voyage. BUT if the said Lands should not be ratified and confirmed, then, and in that case, the said M^cNiff, Askwith and Ruland shall only be paid the sum of Twenty-five Pounds each and their expences as aforesaid, by the whole of said parties. AND it is further agreed by the said parties that as the said Alexander Henry is admitted to hold an equal share in the concern, that he be also invested with full power and Authority to give or grant in their names any quantity of said Lands to whomsoever he may think proper, not exceeding a one-seventh part or share, provided by that means he get the said Indian Deeds, or grants ratified and confirmed to the said parties our Heirs and assigns forever but not otherwise, and such seventh person shall also pay an equal share with the rest of all disbursements and expences whatsoever.

BUT provided the said Deeds or grants shall not be confirmed as foresaid, The said John Askin Sen^r John Askin Jun^r and Alexander Henry shall make no charge whatever for any trouble in endeavouring to obtain a confirmation, or, about the Purchase of said Lands, for Voyaging or Traveling expences but only for their proportion of money or goods advanced to the Indians on account of the purchases. It is likewise agreed by the said parties, that each and every of them shall and may be at liberty to appropriate a certain part of any Tract he hath or may hereafter purchase, for his own proper use or as a Domaine for himself and his Heirs forever, and which he or they shall not be obliged or compelled by the rest of the said parties, or their Heirs, to sell, grant or dispose off, unless he or his Heirs or Assigns may think proper, but to be solely at his or their disposal independent of the aforesaid partnership or concern: But it is to be understood, that such part or parcel of Land that each of the said parties may so appropriate for his own