

for what purpose you are gone with them So as you may be distinguished from the numbers who are gone without being asked, to Serve their own private Ends only. I have only to add that in any matter of difficulty send an Indian to me with an Account of What has passed. The family are well and we all wish you success and a speedy return.

Adieu Dear John

yours

Endorsed: Detroit July 5th 1795 John Askin Senior to John Askin Jun^r at Fort Grenville Copy

The Original of this Letter is said to have been delivered by Mr McDougal to General Wayne.

ANTICIPATIONS CONCERNING CUYAHOGA GRANT

Detroit July 9 1795

Dear Henry I have wrote you frequently of late on business. Mr. James McGill will give you the copy of a letter I wrote my Son since his departure from this with the Indians by which you will see I have left nothing in my power undone. as you will be wrote to at Philadelphia by the concerned at Fort Grenville I hope you will not have lost any time to get there, if you should be so fortunate as to get the Lands confirmed we will be once more on our legs. I mean myself Indeed I have the greatest doubt in the world that the Americans & Indians even jointly can take these Lands from us & if necessary I would employ the first man of the Law in the States to give it a fair trial before I would consent to give them up. the family send their best wishes & I remain in haste

Dear Henry Yours

(signed) John Askin

P. S. I find Forsyth has given order to sell his Lands as they are, if that is not done he will send you a Power of Attorney & the necessary papers

Mr Alexander Henry Merch^t Montreal