

some of the Articles more exposed to dam[a]ge than the others. I have Received from him 15 dollars being the balance of Sales over his Charges, as you Will Observe by the Statement. In Which however nothing is Charged for his personal trouble and Excertion. What may be proper to Allow in this Case you must Judge. And also inform me how to dispose of a bal. of £4 in my hands as out of the £6 Received, I had advanced Mr Nichol 40/ on setting out. I think you will do well to present the Conduct of the Magistrates in that Quarter, to the President. & if you thought proper, the purchasers of Goods so well known to be Stolen deserve prosecution. I only fear the distance Will Cause more trouble, than can Well be given. You Will Observe that all the Articles saved, have been [sent] to Presque Isle, except the few [torn] belonging to the Sloop. This, I hope you have Received in the *Saguinau*. Mr Daly who has Visited you is I beleive very little better than Captain Grummett.⁵⁴ Mr Nichol could find no Remains of the Wreck of the Vessell, but What have been sent you. Hoping to have the pleasure of again Writting you in a few days I offer from this best Wishes & most respectfull Compliments & Am Dr Sir Your very hum. s^t

R. Hamilton

John Askin Esq^r Oct. 28, 1798

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FROM JOHN ASKIN TO MRS. PAUL GAMELIN

Detroit 2^d Novem. 98

Madame Paul Gamelin

Madame Mon agent Mr Maisonvill le Jeune etoit pret de partir pour le Poste demain matin avec des plein pouvoirs de regler finalement toutes mes affaires dans votre quartier. Mons. Ant. Laselle lui avoit promis passage, il dit pre-

⁵⁴ Timothy Grummett (Grummond) was captain of Askin's vessel, the *Annette*, which was wrecked, through his misconduct, as charged, near Point Abino in Lake Erie in the summer of 1798. See documents printed *post*, especially 174-76. Grummett fled to the United States to escape prosecution, after which nothing further has been found concerning him.