

consider it as Such. this next Summer I will have Boards, Plank, Shingles & other timber to dispose of, also the best of Bricks, and at all times lime, I am &^{ca}

Signed J Askin

Mathew Ernest Esq^r

Endorsed: Detroit 10 December, 98 John Askin to Mathew Ernest Esq^r Copy

FROM JOHN ASKIN TO REV. GOTTLOB SENSEMAN

Detroit 10 decem. 98

Reverend Sir I am this day favoured with your very obliging Letter dated the 1st Instant & return you many thanks for the pains you are taking to have what's due me by your people collected, and I will pay the person you have employed to receive & Store my Corn whatever you think right respecting the transport here, If the man who is to build my Vessell has her ready in time it will be best both for him and me as I can allow him One Shilling P^r Bushel for so doing which will be clear gain to him, M^r James Henry did return me the Tea that remained. I had not forgot it I am glad the Letters for you, thro' my care have always got so Safe, any you may have to Send I will take charge of, and tho there is no regular Post yet there is frequent opportunities, and I'm Sure the Colonel, or Quarter Master of this place will forward any letter I may give them, with pleasure; besides I Know they have a great liking to your people in general, and many of them are acquainted with M^r Hackenwelder

The 6/ per Bushel allowed your people on the Spot I believe is a very fair price Corn is by no means Scarce here & I think it will hardly fetch 8/ any time between this & the new Crop. I remain &^{ca}

Signed J Askin

the Rev^d M^r G. Senseman Riv. thames

P. S. I Inclose John Henry say Cristiaín Henry's Orders on you for 7½ Dollars which I have Char^d to your Account

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