

Knags for the am^t of their accounts with the concern, but will in a short time. for the present I've only to say that we are well & that M^{rs} A & I assure you & M^{rs} Anderson of our best wishes

Signed J A

M^r John Anderson Miamis

Endorsed: Detroit 2^d Augt '99 John Askin to John Anderson Copy

RECOVERY OF LAND CERTIFICATES

Dear Sir I have now before me your seperate favors of 12 & 14th Ult^o. The barrels spirits & Pork have before now I hope come to hand; The Box of Glass & Pipes of last Seasons importation, I cannot trace, unless you send me the particular Mark & Number of each. In the Portage Account of that year, you will find particular Mention of every package of your mark that passed this place; If either of these are in that Account, I shall think myself bound to shew what has become of them. if not to be found there, the presumption is, that they never came this len[g]th; Our freinds below must in this case shew how & when sent to Kingston. M^r Cartwright how sent from thence.

The Comodore after much uneasiness and trouble of mind has at last found your Land board Papers. I dare say Charl[e]s had packed them up carefully in a Clean shirt, or pair of stockings. As the best explanation of the bussiness I inclose his letter. I have sent him M^r Roes Memorandum respecting the Certificates lodged with the Att^y General, & hope that they will be found in time to come with the Commissioner to your place. Should the Comodore be unsuccessful in the Council with the Men, I still would Maintain the Claim. Perseverance I know will do much, when oposed to what they may affect to Call the public Good; Were the Lands the private property of the present disposers I should have less hopes. Your own presence I am sencible would

shortly after the American occupation. In 1798 he drove a herd of cattle to this place from Hamilton. As army contractor he supplied the government with pork and candles, sending them to the several northwestern posts. He had such a contract on hand at the time of his death, which occurred between March 14 and May 13, 1801. See sketch in *Proc. of Land Board of Detroit*, 196.