

Accounts to his Satisfaction to the End of the Contract. I hope he will take it in good part, as a Man who has always wished my Happiness and Interest. should you see him you can well explain my Motives as reasonable.

I am most thankfully and truly

Your Obed^t hum^e Servant

Hugh Heward

Addressed: John Askin Esquire Detroit

Endorsed: York Aug^t 14th 1800 M^r Hugh Heward to
Jn^o Askin rec^d y^e 10th Sep^t

PROMOTION OF DR. HARFFY

I thank you My D^r Sir for your favor of the 16th which I received early this Morn^g and have in My power to return an answer thus early. how much is the Heart at ease, when we have a Friend to communicate our pleasures and that will partake of our pains, by administering to our bodily relief, and Mind distress'd. I expect Cap^t M^eKee every day—and believe me My first vacant hour will be dedicated to you on either Side, that that will be for your happiness let be done God only knows what is for our good. I think I now see you smile at the poor Doctor, smile on it will be the Smile of a well tri'd Friendship, that I know. Now to the point. This morn^g the *Charlotte* came to the Mouth of the River, from Fort Erie on Wednesday. by her I had an answer to my Memorial from the Prince, through the hands of My Friend Holmes,³⁷ a very flattering one, and an augmentation of pay 2/6 p^r day Halifax. the Prince express'd every Satisfaction, but as My Situation was provincial, he wish[ed] to know from what time & by whom, that M^r H. has cleared up. I think 26 years Service Requires it, & I am very thankful for it. Not any news. M^r Allison³⁸

³⁷ Holmes was military surgeon in Quebec. For his possible identity with William Holmes, formerly surgeon of the Fifth Regiment, see *B. H. R.*, I, 378.

³⁸ Captain Thomas Allison, brother-in-law of Captain William Caldwell, for sketch of whose career see *ibid.*, 386-87. The death of his wife, Therese Baby, occurred March 27, 1839, instead of Aug. 6, 1847, as there stated. See *Bull. Rech. Hist.*, XX, 306. Her age at death is there given as seventy-three and one-half years. Captain and Mrs. Allison left an only daughter (a son, Thomas, died in boyhood in 1809), Susanne Allison. She married,