

with her, & says it will be the only comfort she has in this world now she has lost her Husband, to have her son with her. should you be inclined to part with him, I would purchase [him], but cannot undertake to give a great price nor to promise you the Money down, but will endeavour to give you the worth of him some way or other.

It would not be amiss to appoint a time & place, in order to settle the small affairs relative to the unfortunate schooner; I remain Dear Sir

your very humble & obedt Servt.

James May

Endorsed: Detroit Sep^r 21st 1801 Mr James May to Jn^o Askin Answ^d

SUPPLIES FOR ST. JOSEPH

Amherstburg 2^d Oct^r 1801

Dear sir Colonel Smith has just given me directions to acquaint you that the *Francis* will leave this for St Josephs on Monday next, will stop at Sandwich to receive any articles you may have to send Mr Richardson.

There has no stores that we know of arrived here for him from Montreal, but least he may want this Winter, the Colonel requests you would consider the matter, and use your discretion in forwarding to him such Articles as you think he will stand most in need of, as in all probability there will be no other conveyance this Year. The Colonel mentions Mr R expected goods from Montreal, but they cannot be forwar[d]ed by a kings vessel as the *Francis* will be the last this year. Perhaps Mr R has left some orders at Sandwich. will you have the goodness to enquire to have them in readiness. The *Ottaway* will sail for Fort Erie about the 10th instant.

I remain Sir Your Humble Servant

John M^cGill Adj Q R

Mr John Askin

Addressed: Mr John Askin Merchant Detroit

Endorsed: Amherstburgh October the 2^d 1801 John M^cGill Esq^r to John Askin Senior rec^d the 4th & ans^d the 6th