

JOHN ASKIN PAPERS

PROJECT FOR DISTILLERY

River thames Nov^r 12th, 1801

Sir I am Informed that you Intend for to Set up a distillery on this River, and as I am out of Employ at present I would willingly join any business for an honest living if you would think proper, I would Superintend the business or take a Share I have as Convenient a place for the business as any that I know of. I have as good a distiller living on One of my farms as any in this Country he has followed the business for twenty years.

I remain Sir your Most hum^{ble} & most obed^t ser^t

John Drake

Jn^o Askin Esq^r

Endorsed: River Thames Nov^r 12th 1801 Cap^t Drake
to Jn^o Askin Rec^d y^e 17th & Answ^d 18th

PROJECT FOR DISTILLERY

Detroit November 18th 1801

Sir Yours dated the 12th instant rached me yesterday. I have hired out my Stills untill June next after which time I had formed a plan respecting them which I think will be advantageous. If you will call in the first time you come to town I will let you know it and if you like it, its probable we [can] make a joint matter for from our long acquaintance I think we must agree together I am Sir

Your most Obed^t Very humble Servant

Captain Drake River Thames

Endorsed: Detroit 18th November 1801 John Askin
Senior to Captain Drake Copy

EDUCATION OF ASKIN CHILDREN

Detroit Nov^r 28th 1801

Dear Sir, I am afraid if your sons do not pay further attention to English Grammar, they will lose what they have got. In the course of their winter evenings they might

tized in Sandwich on March 1, 1778. See Denissen, *op cit.*; mss. in B. H. Coll., *passim*.