

bro^t him as far as Liverpool on their way down to Scotland the villain of a priest followed and persuaded my uncle they were taking him to Edinburg to put him in Bridewel (as a Lunatick) They made their escape and when M^r Clark left Scotland were liveing in London in a large Hotel, the Priest and him in continual debauch. his poor daughter is also there and only a servant woman to attend her. M^r Clark was desired by our relations in Edinburgh to mention all [illegible] to us and insist on my brother going to England immediately. From him I have just heard of his arriving in New York on the 19th he was to sail in two days his letter is dated the 27th My paper is grown short and must close my letter. Will you give me the pleasure of hearing from you soon and whether you think it necessary to secure my Uncles property in this Country by getting the deeds for his Land. the power of att^y gives the power to sell them. Your affection will I hope excuse this long letter. I beg my kindest love to all the Family and believe me to be

Your affect^t Grandson

John Robertson

Addressed: John Askin Esq^r Sandwich

Endorsed: Queenston Feb^y 23^d No 3 M^r Jn^o Robertson to Jn^o Askin recv^d y^e 8th & Answ^d 9th March.

CARES OF MRS. GRANT³³

Amherstburg May 17th 1803

I was glad to see your dear boys, & Nelly here And to understand from them and your favour by Charles, that uppon the whole my dear M^{rs} Askin and you were in tolereble good health

Which will add more to both your ease is a letter from Captⁿ Pelkenton³⁴ to Captⁿ Cowan given a healthy account of Captⁿ Meredith & family in England

³³ From the original manuscript in the Dominion Archives in Ottawa.

³⁴ Robert Pilkington was born in 1765 and in 1787 became second lieutenant in the Royal Artillery. In 1789 he was transferred to the Royal Engineers and was stationed at Quebec. He was on Governor Simcoe's staff, serving in Upper Canada from 1793 to 1796 and in this capacity seems to have performed much useful service. He constructed Fort