

bounded on the South West by the River Rouge and on the North East by Lands belonging to the said John Askin in the Rear by Lands claimed by M^{rs} Baby. As allso all Appurtenances whatever to the said Tract of Land or Premisses belonging or any ways appertaining, And all the ESTATE, RIGHT, TITLE, INTEREST, CLAIM, and DEMAND whatever of the said John Askin of, in, and to the said Tract of Land and premises and every part thereof. To have and to hold the said Tract of Land and Premisses and every part and parcel thereof with the Appurtenances, unto the said Isaac Todd and James M^cGill, their Heirs and Assigns and to the only proper use and behoof of the said Isaac Todd & James M^cGill their Heirs and Assigns forever. And the said John Askin for himself and his Heirs the said Tract of Land and Premisses and every part thereof, against himself & his Heirs and against every other Person or Persons Whatsoever shall and will Warrant forever defend by these presents. IN WITNESS Whereof the Said John Askin has herewith set his hand and Seal at Detroit this Twenty Eighth day of June in the Year of Our Lord One Thousand Seven Hundred & Ninety-Six

Signed, Sealed & Delivered

in Presence of

John Askin (Seal)

William Robertson

Rob^t Nichol⁷¹

Endorsed: N^o 4 Tract of Land adjoining the entrance of River Rouge, 12 acres in front 4 Acres of M^cGill Bou[ght] of Jn^o Shaw⁷² & 1 of Beneau Todd 7 3 of Roger Beneau & 4 of Godfroy

The part of this Lot on which the Improvements are & bounded by the River Rouge on the 5 Acres in Front is for M^r M^cGill. the remaining 7 Acres bounded by on S is for M^r Todd [torn]

⁷¹ For sketch of the career of Robert Nichol, see *B. H. R.*, I, 324.

⁷² John Shaw was a maker of bricks and tiles. He was living in or near Detroit as late as the year 1812. See mss. in *B. H. Coll.*, *passim*.