

I possess, & now and then a visit from Some friends, I should die of Ennui.

It gives me great pleasure to Announce to you that Contrary to (I presume) all our most Sanguine Expectations the *Saguinah* sails with (or nearly) a full load. every Exertion has been used both by M^r Clark & myself to assist her & I am happy to think we have so well succeeded. On reviewing her transactions for the Season I think you may Calculate on a profit of £500, or 400 Pounds, no bad thing in these unfortunate times.

I rejoice to hear of the good health of your family My best wishes for a long Continuance of this invaluable gift are unceasing. I request My best regards to every individual of it & am with every Affectionate wish My Dear Sir

Your Sincere Friend & Most Faithful Serv^t

Rob^t Nichol

PS. I have seen a rule of the Detroit Court authorising M^r Warren to take the Evidence of M^r Douglas in a Cause in which Captⁿ Lee of the *Contractor* is defendant by giving *me* three days Notice. I have prevailed on M^r Warren to postpone the business untill I hear from M^r Brush who is his Attorney. If I should not write Mr B I will thank you to mention my wish to have his instructions. R N

Addressed: John Askin Esq^r Strabane Near Sandwich

Endorsed: Fort Erie Oct^r 19^h 1804 M^r Rob^t Nichol
to Jn^o Askin recv^d y^e 30th Answ^d y^e 25^h Nov^r

DIFFICULTIES OF RICHARD POLLARD

Dear Sir I have been so Extremely ill, that I have been Obliged to Keep the house, this Month; I thank God I am somewhat better, & shall endeavour to do duty to Morrow.

I Knew what would be our situation, for want of Church Wardens! no Kind of preparation or Assistance for the Holy Communion! no Attention About the hire of a Stove, Or Wood for the Winter; would a stranger who has seen this Country believe this? If I was well, I would look after these things myself. I am without a servant, &