

place on account of Alice than I otherwise would if left to my own individual consideration She has the same desire of being perpetuated in it that M^{rs} Askin has on account of the family tradition it has already passed through, and I am extremely desirous that Something should be definitely settled in the business. if we could agree on a price to be given payable to Todd & Mc Gill in some future time say 4 or 5 years with the annual interest if that would suit them I do not know that I should be averse to closing the business, but if not you have only to say the word and I shall be prepared to [torn] the place at any time but I would wish to know it soon.

If you can let me have a boat I [torn] send for them pickets the latter ind of the next week whether I use them or not. I was thinking of putting cedar pickets around the garden in front of the house, and also of making four new gates for the big gate as well as all the rest are intirely broken down but I will wait to be athe[r]ised by you.

If I should conclude to purchase here and also to sell my property in the Ohio Country I should not want credit a single day, but as yet I am opposed to selling that property.

I have Spoken to Cap^t Ernest relative to the Suit ag^t Hembro he Says if Elliott had mentioned the circumstances of the Case to him he would never have directed the Suit to have been commen[c]ed, but that he will now direct Woods to discontinue it Seeing that you are likely to be involved.

I am Dear sir very Sincerely Yours

E Brush

John Askin

Addressed: John Askin Esquire Strabane

Endorsed: Detroit March 22^d 1805 Mr Brush to Jn^o Askin Answ^d y^e 24^h.

FROM JOHN ASKIN TO ALEXANDER HENRY

Strabane Near Sandwich April the 4th 1805

Dear Henry, The long and short of the present Story is this, me and mine Thank God are well and you and yours will be glad to hear it.