

I would advise not to sue Vigo until the next year when the Sense of the Country upon the law will have been taken, and the Legislature be intreated and petitioned to repeal the Law, which will be found to be so prejudicial to the Prosperity of the Country: and the reputation of the Territory. But I shall act as you shall direct and authorise, and shall wait with anxiety your Orders, which I think you ought to transmit by Post if no private opp^y should offer immediately. A few preliminary steps only have been taken by M^r Jones and me. I could never prevail on him to act with intention of succeeding. He always alledging a hope of receiving fuller and more discretionary Powers; and denying having ever been retained by M^r Abbott to sue Vigo. I expect to hear from you in course and remain very respectfully D^r S^r

Your most Obed^t humble Serv^t

Will M^cIntosh

FROM JOHN ASKIN TO COLONEL DE PEYSTER

Near Sandwich August 30, 1805

Dear good Sir, Your much esteemed favour of the 11th March 1804, reached me in June of that year and though I was on the Watch for a good opportunity to Answer it & keep up a Correspondence I so much esteem, I let M^r Mackintosh my next English Neighbour go to Scotland last year and at the time never recollected what I so much wished to do. The Compliment you pay me is due you and your good Lady, for I'm sure few Situated as you & her are would spend their thoughts on such Obscene [obscure] Acquaintances. this attention is an Additional proof to the many you and M^{rs} Depyster have given of me & my Family of the Unw[e]arried Friendship you ever had for us. We often thought that perhaps we should have the Happiness of seeing you Lieutenant Governor of Upper Canada, Were it the Views of Government & they knew you as well as I do no person could be fitter. the task is not so difficult as what I have seen you perform with ease, without assistance & have spare time to Amuse yourself with your Friends, this is more than Our great men of the present times can do with houses full of Secretaries Clark's & C^{ca}.