

Addressed: John Askin Sen^r Esqr Strabane

Endorsed: York Nov^r 1st 1805 Commodore Grant as administrator to Jn^o Askin recv^d y^e 24th: Answ^d y^e 26th

DEBTS OF FRANCIS VIGO

Sandwich November 1st 1805

William Mackintosh Esquire

Sir, M^r Askin has shewn us the different Letters you wrote him respecting the situation of the Debt due by Monsieur Francois Vigoe to us, which letters point out to us the little probability there is of ever bringing that matter to a close whilst M^r Jones and you were our joint Attorneys and as you may well suppose that we now are & for many and for many years past have been much disgusted at the delays and obstacles thrown in the way to prevent our getting our rights and diminish the value we are fairly intitled to and as we find the longer we wait the less we shall have, we therefore a few days ago came to a resolution to make you our sole Attorney in this Business which we have done and at same time revoked our former Power of Attor[ney] to M^r Jones and you. There being now no Check to your proceedings unless such as the Law directs we intertain hopes that you will without loss of time wind up the matter, the Business you have to do for us being very clear and is as follows. you will get into your possession without loss of time all the property which was mortgaged to us without any regard to whom M^r Vigoe unlawfully Sold it and for the remainder of the Debt with Interest to the last penny you will sue and take Land in payment as the Law directs since no better can be done. And please observe our Power of Attorney to you does not authorize you to compound or make any other arrangement whatever with Monsieur Vigoe except that of receiving our full payment with Interest. If M^r Vigoe will impartially examine his own conduct towards us he will find that he is not intitled to the least indulgence from us nor shall he meet

land. The most considerable French fleet was in the harbor of Brest. The battle here reported never occurred, but the complete downfall of Napoleon's project was registered in Lord Nelson's victory of Trafalgar, Oct. 21, 1805.