

standing they [the] great [loss] they sustained there [than] was done in several years past I fear Money that should go to other purposes in [is] now employed in Building.

Thank God my family and self enjoy good Health I sincerely hope the like blessing attend you and yours. If I can gather a little Money I mean to send my Son Charles soon to York to take up the few remaining Deeds I have not yet got as no doubt the Commodore will order them to be made out on my paying I will give him Deeds in my own name and take Security on M^r Todd &, you by mortgage for payment. I have only to add That I am Dear Sir your much obliged very humble Servant

P. S. Since writing I have received an Order on the Treasury and two others for money which when I can collect shall be remitted

James M^cGill Esquire at Montreal.

FROM ALEXANDER GRANT TO JOHN ASKIN

York decem^r 19th 1805

My dear Sir Your long letter given me such faithfull and Just accounts of all that is dear to me in this world leaves me no Expression Sufficient to thank you I assure you that I am so Cherished with yours and other friends accounts of the reEnstablishing of M^{rs} Grant's health that I feel myself growing quite hearty and well danced fifteen couple down the other night.

I am happy you cleared up to the Commissioners Sitting on that head yours & mine pretention to the farm at Gross Point. And I hope the united states will not take the property from the poor divils on that side of the River.

M^r Wood's leaving this place lately will shorten my letters as he will give all occurrences regarding this place and what is doing about lands &c. Remember me kindly to M^{rs} Askin I am glad that you surmise bringing or geting M^{rs} G. now and then to your house, as you and her talks now and then la la la, which makes the old lady shake her sides. I have found all my life time the more I have to do the more