

Berthelett,⁶⁶ as also the lots adjoining on what was formerly called the Common, and which now lie on the North Side of the Governors hous on the main Street in the new Town of Detroit being all of them one arpent or French acre in depth to the extremity of Baptiste Lapieres⁶⁷ Claim and which have heretofore been sold off and conveyed by the said John Askin are exceptions to the foregoing conveyance, and are not conveyed or intended to be conveyed by the Said John Askin unto the Said Elijah Brush.

Furthermore I the said John Askin for myself my heirs Executors and Administrators do covenant and engage the above demised premises (with the exceptions as aforesaid) unto him the Said Elijah Brush his heirs and assigns against the lawful claims or demand of any person or persons whotsoever, forever hereafter to warrant Secure and

66 Francis Berthelet married Frances Ravier and lived in Geneva, Switzerland. Their son, Antoine, born in 1676, came to Canada and lived and died in Montreal. On July 26, 1701, he married Jane Chartier, who was born in Quebec, July 15, 1675, daughter of René Chartier and Margaret Delorme. Antoine Berthelet was buried in Montreal, April 16, 1755; Jane Chartier was buried there, Feb. 5, 1730.

Francis Berthelet *dit* Savoyard, eldest child of Antoine Berthelet and Jane Chartier, was born in Montreal, Feb. 7, 1703. In 1738 he married Jane Boullard, also of Montreal. Several of their children came to Detroit to live, including Pierre, the second son, a physician, who was born in Montreal, April 16, 1746, and married in Detroit, July 24, 1775, Mary Frances Meloche, daughter of Francis Meloche and Mary Frances Lauzon. Mary Frances Meloche was buried here, July 4, 1776, leaving one son, Henry Berthelet *dit* Savoyard, born, April 29, 1776, the subject of our present note. On Nov. 9, 1802, he married in Sandwich, Mary Joseph Bouchette, who was born in Detroit, March 19, 1782, daughter of Jean Baptiste Bouchette and Mary Angelica Duhamel. They were the parents of twelve children, born in the period 1803-25. Henry Berthelet seems to have spent his entire life in Detroit, and there are numerous references to him among the manuscripts in the B. H. Coll., yet no clear account of his career has been formulated. Apparently he was a farmer, who also engaged in trade, and, possibly, in building activities. In 1819 he was granted permission to build a wharf at the foot of Randolph Street. He was elected a trustee of the town in 1804, and in 1807 was a trustee of Ste. Anne's Church. A claim to land in Spring Wells was rejected by the Land Board in 1807, but together with an additional tract, was confirmed to Berthelet in 1823 as (new) Private Claim 32. Berthelet was buried in Detroit, Nov. 16, 1846; Mary Joseph Bouchette was buried on Feb. 6, 1855. Pierre seems to have returned to Montreal after the death of his wife. On Feb. 2, 1779, he married (second) in Boucherville, Margaret Viger. A son of this marriage, Antoine Olivier Berthelet, was wealthy and noted as a philanthropist. See *Bull. Recherches Hist.*, XXII, 183. Information adapted from Denissen, *op. cit.*; mss. in B. H. Coll., *passim*; Farmer, *op. cit.*, *passim*; *Proc. of Land Board of Detroit*, 223.

67 Jean Baptiste Aloire (Alloir, Aloir, etc.) *dit* Lapierre was in Detroit as early as February, 1794, when he stood godfather for a baptism in Ste. Anne's Church. On April 10, 1798, a daughter, Marie Magdelene, was born to him and Magdelene Tremblay, his wife. The names of other children, born to the couple, are found in Ste. Anne's Church Register. Jean Baptiste Aloire died, Dec. 30, 1810, aged about forty years. On Oct. 24, 1811, his widow married (second) Hyacinthe Desjardins. Private Claim 120 in Grosse Pointe was confirmed to Aloire in 1808. The present document shows that he also owned a lot in the town, and entries in James Henry's ledger seem to imply that he followed the trade of shoemaker.