

been used to persuade your Boy, George to leave you. my information derives from his Mother, whom he consulted on that subject. the old Woman appeared very Angry with him, and reprimanded [him] very severely, for proposing such an Idea to her, and ordered him immediately to go home and never again to entertain such a thought, if he did she would inform you of his intention. I merely give you this information, in order that you may keep a good look out after him and prevent him if possible from crossing over on this side the River.

I will thank you at your Leasure to drop me a line in answer to what I wrote you last spring relative to the proposition I made concerning my Affair with the late W^m Robertson, and at Same time to inclose James M^cGills Letter to me which I sent for your perusal. M^r Brush, has repeatedly told me he expected you over. I should be very happy of the opportunity of seeing you here as I wish much to have about one hours conversation with you. M^{rs} May joins me in our best respects to M^{rs} Askin and family and believe me to be D^r Sir

Your friend & well wisher

James May

Addressed: John Askin, Esquire near Sandwich P^r favor M^r M^cClosky.

Endorsed: Detroit Aug^t 2^d 1807 James May Esq^r to Jn^o Askin

JOHN ASKIN REBUKED

To J Askin, Esquire,
Col^l, Command^t of the Essex Militia,

Sir, As a Minister of the Gospel, and as Curate of this Parish, I cannot help observing to you, my extreame surprise to find, an order for the meeting of the Militia, at the hour appointed for divine service! To whom should we look up to for support but to the supreme ruler of the Universe after offering up our prayers at the public service of the Church then it would be proper to call in human aid, and concert such meassures as Wisdom & prudence dictate. Could not this have been done at any other hour than the One allotted to the Service of God?