

I shall send this by a Military express which goes by land to Amherstburgh and will leave this to day, and with it I will also send a letter to you from Halifax which appears to be from Colonel Meredith.

Mr^s Powell has lately heard from Judge Powell; his letters are from Madrid where he had gone to endeavour to get his son liberated, which he was then in great hopes of succeeding in.

We expect Mr Hamilton home in ten days. his last letter was dated at Schenectady on his way home. Mr Clark's returned; he took a large quantity of flour down most of which he sold; and that at seven & a half dollars, barrel.

Please to give my kind love to my Dear Mother, my Brothers & Sisters. that you may all enjoy health, Dear Father are the constant prayers of

Your dutifull & Affectionate Son

Charles Askin

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INFLUENCE OF SHAWNEE PROPHET

S^t Joseph's 1st Sept^r 1807

My Dear Father, I avail myself of the opportunity of Mr Boucherville²⁵ who leaves this tomorrow for Makina in order to embark on board of the *Adams* for Detroit. We are continually on the look out for the *Gen^l Hunter* in hopes of hearing from you & all our friends in your Quarter. This place is destitute of News since the Montreal Canoes have done plying. All the Ottawas from L'arbe au Croche adhere strickly to the Shawney Prophets advice they do not wear Hats Drink or Conjure. they intend all to Visit him this Autumn, which will occasion a great scarcity of corn at this post & Makina. The Merchants will suffer by it as they have not provided themselves with that Article Whisky &

²⁵ Probably Pierre Amable de Boucherville, for whom see *post*, 762.