

against me. fortunately for the Vagabond it was not discovered untill his departure. No Set of People are more Sociable & friendly than we are all. We generally Dine, Drink Tea & sup together Once a Week & Once in each Week all meet together & play at Cards.

Should Cap^t Trew [True] Visit you as he promised tell him We are all well & only want him to enliven our Society. The Children intend to write him at the opening of the Navigation agreeable to their promise.

I cannot recollect if you got a Power of Attorney from me for the purpose of preventing My Tenant from making away with my little Property If I have neglected it let me know & at the same time what opinion you have of his honesty &c.

Pray has M^r Woods paid the Receiver Gen^l or not I'm anxious to know as it may injure me. I intended last summer to have sent a Quantity of Cedar Bark in the spring for the purpose of Covering a Barn on my Lot, but from the experience I made of it here I do not intend sending any therefore Edwards must peel Elm Bark for that purpose. I found that Cedar Bark wants continual repairing it rends much more than the Elm.

Have the goodness to write me at the opening of the Navigation what you think respecting a War w^h our Neighbours, or if there is any proba[bi]lity of Cap^t M^cKee being superseded by Elliott. I should be happy to know these as they concern me first on Acc^t of Madelaines friend[s] & the other[s] apprehending want of fortitude on his part to sustain the shock without having recourse to—as to my own friends I know about Amherstburg I cannot trust them on this head.

Madelaine intended to write My Dear Mother but I have perswaded her to the contrary untill the water communication is open (postage of Letters being enormous). The Children are in good health & Join Madelaine & me in praying for your, My Dear Mother, Brother & Sisters health & Happiness

I remain My Dear Father y^r dutiful Son

Jn^o Askin J^r