

embargo has been laid on them likewise for they do not circulate as usual. Should you wish to write me via Makina enclose your letters to Doc^t Mitchell & he will always be able to send them over by Indians—I send a Bark or Mocock of Sugar for M^{rs} Badishon weight 30 lb n^t Your Mocock is one of the largest I have seen & rec^d it as good Clean sugar & hope it may turn out such.

Madelaine, John & the Children join me in sinc[e]re wishes for You, My Dear Mother, Brothers & Sister Health & Happiness & believe me to be My Dear Father

Your dutiful Son

Jn^o Askin Jr

John Askin Esq^r Strabane.

Addressed: John Askin Esquire Strabane

Endorsed: Island of S^t Joseph Oct^r 12^h 1809 Jn^o Askin
Jun^r to Jn^o Askin Senior Answ^d May 4^h 1810

OBLIGATIONS OF ELIJAH BRUSH

Strabane November the 21st 1809

My Dear Friends, On the 11th inst I went to Detroit for the purpose of doing your buziness So far as was in my power & returned on the 18th. I will now, let you know what I have done. I first settled with M^r Brush agreeable to y^r joint Letter of the 14th of August last; he executed new mortgages to each of you for \$1000 payable on 1st of May next 500 & the remaining 500 to each on the 1st of October next, with the express condition that if he Should not pay at the aforesaid periods he will be liable to pay you agreeable to the 1st agreement principal & interest These mortgages are made in trust to me for y^r uses only he has also given 4 bonds for the like sum, payable to yourselves, or to me as y^r agent. This I believe is perfectly conformable to y^r Letters, and he seems to have a grateful sense of y^r uncommon generosity to him, & means as some Small return to make no Charge for attend^{ee} in bringing forward y^r claims or any buziness of that kind; & I'm sure if he can Sell his Lands near Cincinata or by any other means collect the money due you, so as to have it ready when due I'm certain he will do it. both to shew his sense of y^r friendship to him,