

remit me part of the Interest, for I assure you I am now borrowing Money for my expences.

I shoud your Letter to M^r M^cGill & he has Sent me the enclosed Memod^m of Letters receivd & wrote you which will no doubt be satisfactory. This Warr is most unfortunate for the Canadas, tho it will occasion a great expenditure of money, and your place will feel the benefit of this.

Remember me kindly to M^{rs} Askin M^{rs} M^cKay [M^cKee] & all your family it gives me sinc[e]re pleasure to hear you all enjoy Good health Long my dear friend may it Continue Mine thank God is as good as I can expect but my deafness continues and prevents my enjoying Company. Let me hear from you, & beli[e]ve me My Dear friend

Yours Affect^{ly}

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Endorsed: Montreal Jan^y 15^h 1813 Isaac Todd Esq^r to Jn^o Askin recv^d y^e 12^h Feb^y Answ^d 10^h April

NEWS OF RAISIN RIVER BATTLE

Dear Father, I have the happiness of informing you that the American Army was defeated so effectually that every man was either killed or taken prisoners, with the exception of two only who made their escape. the prisoners 450 in number will arrive today. the only person related to us who has suffered is poor Robert Richardson² who received a wound in his knee. Our Regular Officers have suffered much in proportion to their numbers. Gouin³ wounded in

² Robert Richardson, second son of Robert Richardson and Madelaine Askin, was born in Queenston, Sept. 10, 1798. At the opening of the War of 1812, he became a midshipman in the provincial marine. Despite his extreme youth, he joined as a volunteer the expedition against General Winchester at the Raisin River, and the wound he received here alluded to, eventually caused his death, which occurred in Amherstburg, June 7, 1819. See Casselman, *op. cit.*, *passim*, especially, 137-39, and Irving, *op. cit.*

³ Ensign Claude Gouin of the Second Essex Militia. He was born in Detroit, June 14, 1789, his parents being Joseph Nicholas Gouin and Archange Boyer, and his grandparents Claude Jean Thomas Gouin and Mary Joseph Cuillerier *dû* Beaubien, for whom see *B. H. R.*, I, 326. Claude Gouin married Margaret Kerby of Detroit. They had two children