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Isaac Todd Esq.

Oct^r
Montreal 17th 1805

My dear Todd

It is time I should begin to give you some account of the matters you left with me or my House. ^{Seeing} Suing that Campbells' Furs would not in my estimation be worth 46,000 Livres and ^{Forsyth & Co} Forsyth and Co^y being holders for 26,000 and Pothier for 22,000 ^{we} prevailed with Richardson to become the Shipper ^{to} to settle with Pothier, but they go under our Insurance to Messrs. Inglis Ellice and Co. ^{Mr. Astor} Mr. Astor has been here ^{and} purchased largely ^{(I believe} for 111,000) of Otter, Beaver ^{and} Martans, ^{and} settled with Messrs. Parker, ^{Grasson,} Grasson, Ogilvy ^{and} Co^y also Messrs. Henderson ^{and} Armour ^{and} acquainted me with it, informing me at same time that he had never charged the Teas to you but to them and therefore no claim on you, which is noted in your Balance Sheet and as to the Balance of 226 you were owing him, he has added Interest and drawn on us for it which we of course pay.

Agreeable to your directions ^{incurred} from Messrs. M^r Favishet^t, Frobisher Co^y One Thousand Pounds of the Note for £8000 also £480 of Interest which sums are carried to your Credit, and they have passed their Note to your Order ^{for} for 7000 Curr^y payable the 15th of October next year which concludes that matter conformable to your wishes. Your Note to Mr. Sutherland ^{of} of £244 has not yet been presented, but will be taken up as soon as offered.

The little Girls Jane ^{and} Agnes are very well and whenever called upon for any thing they may want ^{as} well as their boarding ^{they} they shall not be neglected. ^{Eleanor} Eleanor has written once as you desired, but ^{Miss} Miss Porteous not having answered her letter, I fancy Mrs. Thomson has been displeas'd. The little Boy who is now visibly mending, has occupied us all so much ^{at} at times ^{to} to give much pain and chagrin, ^{and} and I think made Miss Porteous forget to make an answer. Nothing from Montour nor even to myself for the money I lent him last year.

The Fur business being pretty soon over this season and Grasson arriving in what of a house, I have hired it to him until May and your furniture is put together in a Room upstairs under Lock and Key. Valle has behaved well in everything: he has taken up best part of your Note to him, and by means of that money made several advantageous bargains.

I have purchased but little on joint account, enclosed is an account of them, If Deer skins should mend in price they will yield a Gain but accounts of 2^d August speak ill of them. As I mentioned to you in a former letter with several continued dates that Mr. Johnston had wrote you and the contents of his letters/ I need not take up your time more on the subject, but I esteem it well to send you one of them as it relates to some of his family matters. I mentioned also in former letter that Askin had sent down Deeds and Patents which are all together in a small Trunk, but as yet no money whatever is come to hand. - Your ^{1/4th} 4th and 6th Shares of money from Dickson and Beasley amount to £375.17.5 Curr^y and I have taken latter's Bond for remainder of his Debt to T. Mc^{Co.} bring ^{bring} 414.17.11 Curr^y. I have now to speak of our own matters but not yet having ^{o/b.} accounts I cannot do it with precision as usual. I think however as before mentioned that our ^{Debit} Debt at home will amount to ^{S^{rs}.} 41,000 Currency of which we remitt by estimation of 25,000, this is not as usual and you will readily believe gives no pleasure. - Remittances from the Indian Trade have been very bad, Messrs. McGregor who sent us last year 11,000, do not exceed 4,500 ^{S^{rs}.} currency, their account will be rather against them than in their favor at the end of the year. - Grasson and Berthelot from whom I expected from 12 to 14 Thousand ^{S^{rs}.} Currency will hardly reach to Ten, and as to Mr. Dickson, you know already in part how it stands, but more on this subject in another letter. - No money has been got for Rum as usual, indeed we have luckily imported but 30 ^{tuns} it has been sold at 5/ ^{or} even 4/6 in large parcels, tho' the worth ^{cost} is 5/10 - with dry Goods we are stocked too much and shall import few indeed another year, but the remedy does not prevent Interest from accumulating, in short unless the value of Furs ^{goes} goes up there is no saying where it will end - we must hope for better times, and as the Crop of Upper Canada is said to be good, it is more likely that payments will prove pretty full next year, more especially as it has been written from England that wheat has risen to a high price, I flatter myself with hearing from you by the September packet and before ^{the} Navigation shuts and I hope to learn that you had got well you are much missed here and your return will be anxiously looked for, but by none more than,

My Dear Todd

Yours sincere Friend

Signed James McGill

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TO: Rare Books Department

FROM: Susan Newton
History of McGill Project

SUBJECT: Letter written by
James McGill

Enclosed please find a copy of a letter written by James McGill which I copied from your manuscripts yesterday. I thought you might want to keep it on file for easier reading.

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Enclosure

S.N.

Corrected by E.L. Original corrected copy given to Dr. Frost.

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624168: A150. Copies of business letters. 1802-1807
stamped numbers on back of pages. 3004 +

McGill to Philip Rutter: Montreal, June 15, 1802.

[Fair copy with a note in J. McGill's hand. [?]]

Rutter appointed agent to dispose of the land held in Stamburgh Tp.

"being proprietors of the greater part of the Township of Stamburgh.

price not included: land valued in value 10/6 - 5/6 an acre.

down payment 1/3 or 1/4; payments to be completed in five years

3004 Delanue to be notary.

"additional... when... the applicants are of good character &
well affected to the Government... [down payment 1/5 or even 1/6th]
time extended "one or two years more."

[an insignificant note in McGill's hand authorizing the exchange
of two lots.

Montreal, June 17, 1802 unique note to Robert Morrough of
Dubree re sale of Stamburgh land: 32,429 acres to Mr. Tassel?
at 2/6 an acre.

James McGill to Robert Morrough (Gen) Montreal, June 24, 1802.

3005 initialed "JMG" by clerk.

regarding payment for the 32429 acres: must have proceeds of sale
by "Saturday of next week" the money will not be required before 15/10.

James McGill to Robert Morrough (Gen) Montreal, July 1, 1802 ^{initialed} JMG.

declines to accept anything but money for the Stamburgh land in
question.

3006 James McGill to Robert Morrough (Gen) Montreal, July 22, 1802. ^{initialed} JMG.

allows delay in decision re arrival of "Jura [?] Robert" re Stamburgh
purchase

J McS to John Arkin [Outport?] Montreal, May 8, 1803. different hand,
clerk signs. Jas. McGill.

[states that bond has written: land sales presumably on the Outport R.
bills for £100 ("yke") for 150 "a very moderate price indeed, ...
considering that these lands cost us 32/7. acre...

3007. J McS & John Arkin [Outport?] Montreal, — ? 1803: request clerk's hand
[J. McS. signs]
discusses lands & provisions at Outport & Melchomackiac

3008 [short notes in J McS's hand(?)
25 Oct⁶ / 1803 - wrote to John Paterson [L. ?] requesting him to consider?
again for my stock in the 3% — ? but should be decline, then to appoint
John Inglis Esq of the House of Phyn, Inglis & Co — ? — ? also to my sister
in Glasgow £50 by.

Oct 6
25 [October] 1803 wrote to my sister Glasgow that Mr Paterson would
[permit?] her £50 — ? — ? her to buy & send out 4 pieces Scots [?] [?]
[Hollands?] at 3/6 p yd. for the last or right.

— wrote J Inglis & [praised?] him to accept of J Paterson obligation
to manage my stock say £8000 stg. in the — ? — ? — ?

— wrote J Breckensaw [?] — ?

— ? to J Breckensaw? Inver

in — ? to letters from them & on the — ? of the — ? in general of the two
Provinces.

30 December 1803 - wrote John Blair, Dundee, [?] him for his Letter of 5th
thanking him for [communication?], that of the conditions he speaks of
were — ? — ? he mentions,

remains not only, illegible. Dundee, for him Charles [?]

James McCall? to John Duer [Deeble] Montreal 19 Dec. 1803 unrequited
letter in 1st clerk's hand.

3009

acknowledges letter received on Thursday evening
concerns the Stanbridge Township purchase

James McCall & John Asken Montreal January 28. 1804
copy in 1st clerk's hand, initialed J.M.C.

3010

discusses the land (32 lots) apparently administered by Asken in behalf of
McCall & Todd. refers to an offer of a Mr. Bush(?) to buy the land on the US side
for \$600?

"It is not a pleasing thing to remark that our Property seems to spread
nothing at present [also?] that future prospects do not mind in the Detroit
side: from your being on the spot you must be best able to judge how to act,
but one thing we must —? you against, namely, to incur [?] no
expense by reason [?] —? lay waste them to
persons who exhaust them & never pay —? —? we have omitted hitherto
to say that we do not wish you to exchange any of our Lands for others, you
mention such matters in a former letter and it recaptured our attention to
speak of it sooner."

" 30 April 1804 wrote to Mr Asken in answer to his letter to me of January
March & to Mr Todd & me of 11 March... & again that the windmill
should be sold [?] to [R May?] on long terms, as to gain a [?] with
—? & Parker... on our behalf if not exceeding? £125 Yk:

" 30 April, wrote Mr Duroough that I would leave for another year in their
hands the one thousand pounds they owe [?] me.

" 3 May 1804 - wrote Mr. Philleps, Deeble, & gave him Charles Drey?]
Certificate for Lands [?]

James McGill to John Asken Montreal May 31, 1804. Copy? signed by McGill.
expresses satisfaction that the deeds of 20 lots on the Canadian side of the
outpost river are "complete," and for arrangements on the US side
satisfaction re "willing the four small houses and of equal ~~value~~ ^{value}
reputations respecting the windmill."

returns a bill for £25 of Markham on Craigie + 17/6 legal expense
+ 1/8 postage from Quebec.

3011 James McGill to John Asken Montreal 14 July 1804. Copy? signed by McGill.
expresses satisfaction re Asken's agency of the Outpost R lands; chiefly
on US side.
hopes to have speedy information title deeds to the 20 lots in Canada
"you would not hear of the death of poor Mr. McJursch, he had been
unwell since March, his disorder proceeded from cold, but it is thought
meant consequential, as a member of Society & as an active presby. minister
his loss is much regretted..."

James McGill to John Asken; Montreal 13 July 1804: as above.
re the windmill at Outpost in which McGill & Todd have shares with
William Park. John Asken was the agent of McGill & Todd.

3012 James McGill to William Park; Montreal, July 13, 1804 as above.
re the windmill: declines to sell the McGill-Todd $\frac{1}{2}$ interest to Park
for £40 York. Park was the former

McGill's Lord & Askin: Montreal June 18. 1885: apparently signed jointly.
point out that in assigning lands on the Mt side of the Ontario R, the
lands made over to Lord were valued at £6083; those to McGill. £5902 York.
desire that the lands on the Canadian side be shared equally.

- 3013 "15 August - wrote to my sister, Margaret in Glasgow of the
disposition of my late Brother Andrew's will with reference to
her £50 st p. ann.
- wrote also to my Uncle Morrison? McGill of Glasgow of the
legacy left to —? £25 st p. ann.
 - wrote to Mr Todd informing? him of my Brother's will & probable
Result —? letters from Campbell & —? up to 11 —? respecting
Campbell's terms & of Mr Johnston's decease.
 - wrote to I —? & I Dunbar as Executors of my Brother Andrew's
will? in favour of the Royal Infirmary, Glasgow £200 st.
 - wrote to some young of Legacy of £500 to his daughter —?
—? —? —?
- The above by Mr Herkness & Greenock.

[These notes are probably in McGill's hand.]

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James McGill & John Askin; Montreal Aug. 19, 1805. copy initialed by J. B. G. Gallaudet & Andrew McGill death

3014

[~~Another~~ letter concerned with "Indian Lands" in the US, the title to which was in dispute. McGill wished to direct an appeal to the President.

"24 August 1805

"wrote to Mr Askin to state the particular cases of his Lands & to say under what titles — ? — ?

"29 August 1805.

"wrote to Mr B — ? of Cornwall to inform him of legacy by my late Mother Andrew, in favour of his daughter, Ann Eliza, of £100 Cy — ? — ? — ? a favour to Allison? to receive the same sum & at the same time to — ? a Certificate of the — ? being in before the first of August.

"3 Sept

"wrote to Mr Pylaud & acknowledged his letters of 26 & 29 Aug & of money by Comm. £300 Cy
Sent at same time Return from Hotel Dieu & Gray Sisters
Remainder illegible.

"6 Sept.

sent to Mr Chaboulay, Notary, — ? — ?, also Description of Lot adjoining, belonging to the heirs of A McGill... £300 — ? — ?

"6

"wrote to Mr McCallum & Leguier... of £100 owing a McGill; to state & that I — ? — ? until the 15th.

"9

Received Mr Pylaud Letter of Credit for £100 Received from him under cover of 5 Sept account? of Insurance on my late Mother's
(over)

House by letter to Alexander Selby Esq. re.

"1 Dwelling house of Stone ? £ 1500

2 warehouses Stone walls 40

3 Ice houses Stone walls 30

4 Stables Stone walls 40

5 Coach house _____ ? 20

1630.

6 — ? in the dwelling house : £ 200

4108

22 August 1888

"2 left

"left

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