

house his home. William Cole is with George Wells, he is very well. Tell Mr. Jay I have not heard anything of Henry Jay, nor my son that came out before me. Edmund & James send their love to uncle, he must tell George Blackman not to think we sent for father and mother to eat one another. Remember Edward to George Ostand, Instead of eating one another as *George Blackman said*, I can buy a whole Hog at a time. Direct to me Thornhill, George Street, Upper Canada. Tell Thomas Falkner we have better windows here than he has in his church. I must conclude with best wishes for your welfare—your affectionate nephew and niece,

MARY & EDWARD BURCH.

*To Mr. George Burch, thatcher.*

#### LETTER IV.

Thornhill, Young Street, July 24, 1836.

DEAR FATHER AND MOTHER,

I take the pleasure of writing a few lines to you hoping by the blessing of God it will find you all well, as I am happy to say it leaves me at present, thank God for it. Dear Father and Mother, we had a very fine voyage indeed, we were six weeks coming to Quebec; we had no rough weather except two or three days, the 2nd and 3rd of May, when the sea was very rough. I was sea sick three days and so we were all, but prior Jemmy Millyard was sick for three weeks, he was very bad indeed. But I should not care no more of coming over the water than I should of going over the sheep-wash. On the 10th of May we saw icebergs and we saw nearly fifty, and on the 25th of May we had snow four inches thich on the deck, and we snow balled one another till we got wet through.

Dear brother Henry, I wish you was here my boy, but stop till next spring and come out with Bob, and don't hire till you get up to me, for you don't know who you may hire with. Dear friend, when we landed at Toronto, we were walking up the Town, and we went to where Mark Messenger lived, and we went up to his house and slept there that night, and we came up to Thornhill the next day with Edmund Birch, he goes down to Toronto every day, so we got up to George Lintot with Edmund and we stopt with George that week, and we have all got work.

George Leggatt is at work about one mile from Thornhill. he have 8 dollars a month and his meat.