For letter no. 12 Rowland B. Howard (f) to "Good Friend" Thomas hundsay, yorklown Septembers, 1814

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P.S. The Enemy have warrated this place, &



10	9/21/1814	From: Dwight F. Harrington	To: Mr Roland Howard
RBH-0e06		Camp Fort Erie	Yorktown New York
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Camp Fort Erie Sept 21, 1814

Roland

I little thought to have received a line from you dated at Yorktown, yet I assure you I was much gratified with the perusal of yours of the 10th Instant, especially when you mention the name of Hadassah with so much respect and admiration. That I may live thro' the struggles of this Fighting School, and be permitted to return to the Forest of the East, is my most earnest wish, when I am sensible I should enjoy myself with the People of that Country. While I was there, I considered it a part of my life not altogether misspent, tho' it proved not very lucrative. The acquaintances I acquired was that of good & generous minds which has made a lasting impression on my memory, & that which will never be eradicated while the animal fluids flow thro' the veins which now invigorate the arm to throw with impetuosity the means of death to a haughty & ungrateful enemy.

Having been nearly two years deprived the privilege of personal conversation with the Girls of my Age & Acquaintance, you might be led to suppose I had quite forgotten their tenderness & good company - but the reverse is the case with me for the instant I hear from these bewitching Creatures it brings fresh to mind the pleasures I once enjoyed, which compared with my present situation, has the effect of Electricity.

You speak of the recovery of Everetts health, & I assure you I am much pleased to hear so favourable news. I think that Seth has forgotten to write me, but as he does not like a Soldiers life, perhaps he is willing to forget Soldiers but he must remember I am as much a Painter as ever.

Some few days since I received a Letter from Doctr C Holland of Livermore who states some marriages having taken place, among whom is Miss Patty Howard to that darned illitorate fellow of a Phillips. What will Ward say when he comes to visit them? A Mr Pray to Sally Stone & so the Devil is to pay among the Girls & Boys in the East. However the one near the meeting house in Jay is yet of the same mind as formerly (as the Doctor says).

If you wish to know any thing concerning the battle of the 17th Sept, you must look to the Prints. You will observe the death of Capt Bradford who was lately exchanged from Halifax. He commanded the Company I was in. I was with with him when he was killed &c. The volunteer Militia fought well, but lost 60 or 70 taken prisoners, owing to getting scattered in the Wood. Expect to have some more Tragi-comida performances very shortly - in which 'tis ten to one but I get my Profile disfigured.

Qr. Master McChains & Lieut Brown are both here. Lt Brown wishes his friends to write him &c - (viz.) Mr Baily.

Be so good as to write me, or request Seth to do as much as to think that I am yet alive. When you write to Leeds, be sure and state that I have escaped thus far unhurt in the Service of the U States.

Should be happy to have you forward some of your Newspapers to me, even after date they would be gratifying to us here.

Tattoo has been beat. I must suffer the candle to burn no longer.

I am Sir, as usual your obd friend &c Dwight F. Harrington Sergt. 21 Regt. US Infty

Mr Roland Howard

P.S. The Enemy have evacuated this place, I retire hastily in the dead of a rainy night.

[ENVELOPE]

Buffalo NY Sep 26 Mr. Roland Howard Yorktown New York

For letter no. 14 Rowland B. Howard (4) to "Respective Friend" This Melford Norton, york lown, September 28, 1814

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Leeds Cotober 15 the 1514 Beloved Brothis immaginable, I now attempt to write to you notwithstandy The incorrectness of my composition writing be I flatter myself it will much with a kind reception, best of Brothing my fielings were incorpressable at the time of your Departire mether did cat drink nor steep for two daysand nights, but after the Di came from Portland, and said you were in very good spirito when he left you, I composed might as much as possible, and have made myself as continted as & could with what prends I have here pleasing myself with Idea that I shall once more see my and enjoy myself in his good company as I have heretopore Per cannot express the joy I felt on receiving your letter when opened it and see the content. Therein it served to recall my mine to part sources and sume to remind of past favours unnumbered from you , , O! Beloved Brother if I man so coopress myself could I have seen you here last thursday my joy would been unutterable, But of that blessing Indenie , Hour after hour have I sport meditating on those happy hours we passed together and would to good could spend the remaining part of my bife as I have heretofore I have no particular news to write respecting your relation and priends in this country , Mam did not recover her sickness for a long time aptir you left here, she is par from being at this time she has a very bad cough which I am afair she never will be any better of , Mam is troubled verit much

The says the cannot have the thought of never seeing him again, likewise the rest of her sons who destined No be far from her. But my dear brother you we the one she has alwarp depended upon Caking care ofher in her old age, but she makes herself as reconciles a) possible to her situation, and same she thinks it is all for the best that you should be gone as you was out of health and not able to labour, I hope you will le careful of your health and not be cochosed to the bad weather so faith of the greatest blessing in this work that you are sensible of deprived of that we are deprived of every comport of life; Sucretic and myself have enjoyed ourselves extructed well since ward come home inithis good company and many others of your requanterer and mine that has made the time seem short that he has Married here, He sarys he must soon depart of which I dread the thought, but will Vry to assume as much fortitude as is possible for me, and pass the seen which is the most unplusant of any that over I easperiance that is parting with my nearest and dearest relation, Ward will import you of all news and will tell you more than I can write a your priends and relation here all esopress a with to see your, In Bridgeham in particular he is one of your best friends, friend do I Song he is your Brother and one I will dure to day wishes for your health and prosperity as much as any Brother you have now excisting, Have will inform your abant the wedding believe, all your relation in friends send their love to your tucretic in particular she mants to see very much, Hawasah I have deer since your Departure but I presume the is as levely as over and wishing to see you, Nancy and caroline have seen they were hard the ast week and as chipper as ever I read your letter to them They were much with it

Rest assure my dearest Brother your have my hest wishes for your prosperity in every undertaking and my never seasing proveyer shall offered to the great auther of the universe for your happy immitatily I must now conclude by requesting you to write to me as soon as you recieve this and write every oppertunity to me and likewise to the Dr. - 6. 400 by the Monnoactions of late relitive to the in affectionate sister Aurilia Bridgeham



12 10/15/1814 *From:* Aurelia Bridgeham

To:	Beloved Brother [RB
	Howard, Sr]

RBH-0e07

Leeds

Source: Bowdoin

Leeds October 15th 1814

Beloved Brother

With the greatest pleasure immaginable, I now attempt to write to you notwithstanding the incorrectness of my composition writing &c. I flatter myself it will meet with a kind reception. Best of Brothers, my feelings were inexpressable at the time of your departure from this place. I retired to my chamber the day you left us and scarcely neither did eat drink nor sleep for two days and nights but after the Dr came from Portland and said you were in very good spirits when he left you, I composed myself as much as possible, and have made myself as contented as I could with what friends I have here. Pleasing myself with the idea that I shall once more see my Brother and enjoy myself in his good company as I have heretofore.

Pen cannot express the joy I felt on receiving your letter. When I opened it and see the contents therein it served to recall my mind to past scenes and seemed to remind of past favours unnumbered from you. O! Beloved Brother if I may so express myself could I have seen you here last Thursday my joy would been unutterable [See note 1]. But of that blessing I was denied. Hour after hour have I spent meditating on those happy hours we have passed together and would to God I could spend the remaining part of my life as I have heretofore.

I have no particular news to write respecting your relation and friends in this country. Mam did not recover her sickness for a long time after you left here. She is far from being well at this time. She has a very bad cough which I am afraid she never will be any better of. Mam is troubled very much on being seperated from her son Rowland. She says she cannot bare the thought of never seeing him again, likewise the rest of her sons who are destined to be far from her. But my dear brother you are the one she has always depended upon takeing care of her in her old age, but she makes herself as reconciled as possible to her situation, and says she thinks it is all for the best that you should be gone as you was out of health and not able to labour. I hope you will be careful of your health and not be exposed to the bad weather &c, for health is the greatest blessing in this world that you are sensible of. Deprived of that we are deprived of every comfort of life.

Lucretia and myself have enjoyed ourselves extremely well since Ward came home. In his good company and many others of your acquaintances and mine that has made the time seem short that he has tarried here. He says he must soon depart of which I dread the thought, but will try to assume as much fortitude as is possible for me, and pass the scene which is the most unpleasant of any that ever I experienced - that is parting with my nearest and dearest relation. Ward will inform you of all news and will tell you more than I can write. Your friends and relation here all express a wish to see you, Dr Bridgham in particular. He is one of your best friends. Friend do I say. He is your Brother and one I will dare to say wishes for your health and prosperity as much as any Brother you have now existing. Ward will inform you about the wedding &c &c &c. All your relations and friends send their love to you, Lucretia in particular. She wants to see you very much. Hadassah I have not seen since your departure but I presume she is as lively as ever and wishing to see you. Nancy and Caroline I have seen. They were here the last week and as chipper as ever. I read you letter to them they were much pleased with it.

Rest assured my dearest brother you have my best wishes for your prosperity in every undertaking and my never ceasing prayer shall be offered to the great auther of the universe for your happy immortality.

I must now conclude by requesting you to write to me as soon as you receive this and write every opportunity to me and likewise to the Dr. By the transactions of late, relative to changing my name I must now subscribe myself your

Affectionate Sister Aurelia Bridgeham

[Note 1: I presume that Aurelia is referring here to her marriage to Dr Thomas Bridgeham which occurred in

October 1814. She mentions the marriage several times in the letter and signs the letter with her married name. Thus her marriage date was Thursday the 13th of October 1814.]

and the should be wanted your make an all the state that and and with Leeds Oct 15th A-1814 Dear Sird received your favour the thirteenth Instants and was highly grattifyed to hear and the day with the set of a second and That you was in the ingegment of a purfect and the second s State of health to add to your happymets & Company of the second states of the would inform you that your friends internates and connection of both sexes partisipate with Dent chinese of the out the me in the ingegment of the same blefsing I would fain write you some news as a suita. the return of grattitude for the high honours Conferred on me by you the favour of Corispond and the man man and and and and and ing with a distant friend but nothing incidental a set of the set of th to our former acquaintance occurs to my mind Pat present and and and and and and you this six weaks past the district of main. that bin in a continual uprove the militia has Alter & that the had and the sea are in faith bin all under armes and withen the limits My and approximate and at your the charge and of my acquaintance they ware generally peaking and share many algorit me handles the wiling to turn out to defend our sea board and Repell an invading for Constraint and and a special a state which is Gender the present embarised biroumstances you will Conclude we have but little time to 1 Thomas Simonal spend with ladges which is the taste of youre humble servant but rely on this when ever 1 with and the man an oppertunity presents use lose no time in Calling to gether our pleasure parties to signalise our selves a mong the brilliant afsemblyes of the east

I must soliset the forour of a latter In mohich of hope you will, posme a discription of manners and withomes and the support of the same heads And the second s of the people in your quarter Their has nothing happed of emportance Since you left hear no new bortships Nor marriages except that of your sisters a weather a man all by a maniferration and and and a to the Dr Junder stood it was attended I some the same and a general a second as a second as a second to with great splender but I had not the and the adapt and the half the had the and the pleasure of being their and and an interspecture and the space of the second farmed I had a conference with mill hannak The shows the part of the and the property in the same Chandles once since youre absence who Exprepted a desire to bee you en a fistale. and in the man approximation and the second in 1 and of Selibilly once meore hannak Stinchfelds wished me to find a place in my letter for her bompliments who great the Day that you shall return. the all souther himself and souther itte familit write to soon and often Conserning weig and approximation of the and government of the state of the Aneident that happes to you during yours Ilay at yorktown and if you see Cause to Remove from Thence direct me twhear to I and for growing was good to find you and and the second of the seco and believe me yours with undesembled " in which have not be a star and the walker with Shomas Lindsay · Alling together the first in the should be together JoRowland B Howard

13 10/16/1814 *From:* Thomas Lindsay

To: Mr Rowland B Howard

RBH-0e08

Leeds

Source: Bowdoin

Leeds Oct 16th 1814

Dear sir

I received youre favour the thirteenth instant and was highly grattifyed to hear that you was in the injoyment of a purfect State of health. To add to youre happyness I would inform you that your friends intimates and connection of both sexes partisipate with me in the injoyment of the same blessing. I would fain write you some news as a suitable return of grattitude for the high honours confered on me by you the favour of Coresponding with a distant friend but nothing incidental to our former acquaintance occurs to my mind at present.

For this six weaks past the district of main has bin in a continual uprore. The militia has bin all under armes and within the limits of my acquaintance they were generally speaking wiling to turn out to defend our sea board and Repell an invading foe.

Under the present imbarised Circumstances you will conclude we have but little time to spend with ladyes which is the taste of youre humble servant but rely on this when ever an oppertunity presents we lose no time in calling together our pleasure parties to signalize our selves among the brilliant assemblyes of the east.

I must solisit the favour of a letter for which I hope you will give me a discription of manners and customes of the people in your quarter.

Their has nothing hapned of importance since you left hear. No new Cortships Nor marriages except that of youre sisters to the Dr. I under stood it was attended with great splender but I had not the pleasure of being ther.

I had a conference with miss hannah Chandler once since youre absence who expressed a desire to see you in a state of selibicy once more. Hannah Stinchfield wished me to find a place in my letter for her compliments who greets the Day that you shall return.

Write to me soon and often Concerning every incident that hapnes to you during your stay at Yorktown and if you see cause to Remove from thence direct me whear to find you.

And believe me youres with undesembled afection

Thomas Lindsay

To Rowland B Howard

[Envelope] Mr Rowland B Howard Yorktown Yorktown

For letter no. 17 Rowland B. Howard 4, to "Ensign" Ensign Otes, York lown, Ocloter 25, 1814

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