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I do give my compliments and good wishes to all my
brother's sister's nephews and friends and do some of you
write immediately to me

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less pleased in receiving a letter from Auntie
the favour of which will never be obliterated
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I am Your Dutiful Son Edward Howard

15 1/1/1815 *From:* Rowland B Howard *To:* Capt Seth Howard

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Peekskill

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Peekskill January 1st 1815

Beloved Parents

An opportunity now presents itself which I readily improve in addressing you for the first time since I left home, but beg you not to consider it as neglect for my heart is truly warm with anxiety and tender emotions for the welfare of my beloved Parents - notwithstanding the great distance that now separates us you will find me no less anxious to contribute to your happiness and comfort. But perhaps my leaving home may prove disadvantageous to the family, but I hope not. However I am fully persuaded it has been some advantage to my health. It is true I have been some unwell since I left home, but not a day unable to attend to my business. Good fortune has placed me in a very pleasant situation in the Village of Peekskill, six miles from Wards & 30 from Poughkeepsie standing in full view of the North river where I am now Teaching a very fine school consisting of Fifty scholars. I have 2 dollars and 12 ½ cents per scholar a Quarter. I shall probably continue here some time. I am boarding now in a very agreeable family and am very well contented. This is a very fine Country and the climate I find much milder than that of Main. It is now the first of January & no snow on the ground and not colder than I have known it in October there. Everet & Ward drank tea with me yesterday afternoon. I likewise had a letter from Seth dated three days since. They are all in perfect health. Ward has sold his farm since he returned for \$2,000. Everet has given up the idea of going to Sackets harbour and is about preparing to start for Newyork to spend the winter which in my opinion is the most prudent act. The pain in his breast has entirely ceased and he has grown very fleshy.

I was much surprised that Ward did not bring a letter from the Dr. But was no less pleased in having a letter from Aurilia, the favour of which will never be obliterated from my memory. I beg her to accept my best wishes & she and the Dr write very frequently. It is a long time since I heard from home and you will readily conclude the anxiety I feel. You hear from me frequently I suspect by my brothers letters of course it is not necessary for me to write so often. I almost forgot to inform you that Seth has had very hard luck with his furniture which he computes wholly to bad management, but is in great hopes Mr Lincoln will come. He built the establishment with the greatest rapidity of any of the same extent established in that Town and his fatigue & labour has reduced him almost to a skeleton.

In great haste, I am your dutiful son
Rowland B Howard

N.B. Give my compliments and good wishes to all my Brothers sisters neighbours and friends and do some of you write immediately to me.

[ENVELOPE]

Capt Seth Howard

Leeds

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For letter No. 19

Rowland B. Howard (f) to Ensign Otis,
Peekskill, February 30, 1815

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In letter No. 20

Rowland B. Howard (f) to "Dear Brother
and Sister" [Capt. Stillman Howard]
Reichsuhl, July 6, 1815

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For letter No. 21

Rowland B. Howard (y) to Ensign Otis,
Reekskill, [August?] 9, 1815

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Far letter No. 22

Rowland B. Howard (f) to Eschiel Stinchfield,
Peekskill, September 25, 1815

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For letter No. 23

Rowland B. Howard (y) to Mr. Samuel Paul,
Peechskill, October 6, 1815

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For letter No. 24

Rowland B. Howard (y) to [Parents?]

Peekskill, December 1815

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