

due to Charles until the 1st of February it is best to let the grain remain at home as long as possible hoping that things will be more settled ere that time arrives. However, I do not wish you to be governed altogether by my directions for I have been so long from home and you have never favoured me with a letter so that I am ignorant of how you are getting on at home. You will exercise your own Judgment according to circumstances. I hope all the children are industrious—at least all that is able to work, and if they have any sympathy or love for their Father which I do not doubt in the least, I wish them to render implicit obedience to your commands; hoping you will not abuse your Authority over them I shall now close this letter by wishing each of you a happy New Year. I received supplies yesterday from somewhere, least it seems to me they did not come from you. You need not send anything more until further directions as the mess received heavy supplies at the time. Give my best respects to your Father and Mother and all your Brothers and Sisters & Uncle Peter, to my Mother & to George & Mary Ann, to John, & my sisters, & except the same for yourself and all the children, from your Affectionate Husband,

James Peters.

It is my wish that you should be careful and not take any Bank notes unless W. Armstrong will take them at his own risk & have nothing to do with that note against Charles Crowther at present. If it is not done already get some straw to put on the Pits in the garden.

Addressed on outside: "William Hewitt, Esq., Guelph."

ERAMOSA, July 10th, 1838.

Dear Sir;

In compliance with your request* I have endeavoured to state some facts on the subject of our conversation. But have purposely left the Congratulatory address to Lord Durham to your superiour judgment well knowing your abilities to compose it with a better grace and more formal manner than I am able to do, and have only to mention that no one entertains a higher opinion of His Lordships exalted character than myself. Should you find anything in this humble attempt to throw light on an unpleasant subject you are at liberty to cull it out. If there is nothing it is only my time lost. I regret that the busy time has prevented more attention to the composition of these hasty sketches requesting you to let me have these lines again at some convenient opportunity, by so doing you will much oblige.

Yours respectfully,

JAMES PETERS.

A statement of facts relative to the arrest of James Benham, Hiram Dowlan, John Butchart, Calvin Lyman, James Peters, William Armstrong, and James Parkinson. All inhabitants of the Township of Eramosa, in the District of Gore and Province of Upper Canada. And also short account of their Imprisonment and subsequent treatment previous to being brought to trial for High Treason, together with some facts respecting the