

Hall Family Papers and Sugar Plantation Records

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1747, May 1: William Hall (b.1696) to Thomas Hall (b.1725)



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[Faint, mostly illegible handwritten text, likely bleed-through from the reverse side of the page.]

[Vertical handwritten note:]
17th May
3:15 PM

Dear Thom
I have had the pleasure of yours of 10th. The
did not get here till Monday night. He brings a box
of sundries from Mr. Perry
About Sunday I believe will sail from hence Capt
Barnett's ship, of whom comes the hoops, bloody of her
According to my friend I have a shew
order to be put on board her from of Douglas
Alas the ship is full for of present occasion
The set of the goods he has on board leave order to
be put on board the ship who calls at Swan
Came that also goods on board for as soon as
of the Capt. Callis who is at present in London for
availability there they will receive your orders
Directions how to dispose of them. I send you
a list thereof that you may send to her to receive
you what you may want
I have seen a letter from Mr. Douglas and Capt. May
of which I apprehend Capt. May is to come out to
Montego Bay to my direction Mr. Douglas intending to
take Mr. Montague's part of this ship to be made up
Letters were wrote just on this arrival that could not
determine particularly but I may expect Mr. Montague
Nothing to prevent

I pray you will lett the Gent of the parishes know
that they may receive goods to load her as there
is a ship coming to Montserrat by Mr. Buleaux
between us, between two the said date with the said
parish here in a day or two I believe under favour
of the country vessel; I have put on board her
one man Quaw I took out of Kingston. Capt. Capt
Holloway who commands her promised me to secure him
life. I pray as soon as she he arrives to secure him
& immediately get him tryed & have one of his legs
cut off which will be a good example at this time
for the Negroes running away.

If the ship had not been the consequence of the
goods as was told, I believe it would not be amiss to
send some negroes on board which may some
withstand the crew. I mean to treat the Capt. Bunday
as he was very kind in his offers here to me
(letting me see down with them)

The ship has had a storm in the additional
Duty but to give a year longer to give in & pay the
Duty next however I think to get far more now if
any ship I get up here but Saturday noon I went
to Kingston Monday morning & returned here the same
night, there have been so many that have not had

time yet to get the Order you mention but will
do it soon and an order if possible tho; I hear the
Govt is determined to the contrary

You have herewith a letter from Mr. Deham, which
was given me by his son David, who I had the pleasure
to see here yesterday he is gone to Kingston to go down
by water; I pray you will Dema my curiosity which
led me to open your letter

I am now almost tired of writing ^{at present} need can't
think of more matter, but as opportunity presents
I shall lett you have what occurs, I have now only
to add my best wishes, particular to my dear daughter
who I hope has perfectly recovered her health, as to my
part am but in a poor languid state can't well give
over the care of my estate, but hope time the hurry of
business & company here may divert it I am with all
due respect. Dr. Thom. Fenwick affect. Father

remembering Mr. Humphrey
our shepher being out of order we
have chosen Mr. Bussard one
shepher too. I am
Shawish Town
5th May 1707