

Jan^{ry} 9 - 1763

Mr. Hall.

Dear best
Sister
London

Hawken
Packet

Dear Molly. I am James 9 Jan^{ry} 1763

altho I have not received any letter
or even Postscript from you by this Packet yet
I will not be different on my part in letting you
know that I am in perfect health. I have rec^d Molly
Letter of the 15 Septemb. & one from Mr Fuller of
the 22^d which gave me great pleasure to hear that
you were all pretty well. We have an^o upon
Kingston that a Man of War & some Merchant
Ships are arrived but no letters are yet come
down. They say Preliminaries of a Peace are
sign'd which I am very glad of. For the
Spaniards here begin to be very troublesome
as they are always hovering upon the Coast
landing in the Night & Stealing of the goods.
I wait for the first good Ship to take my
Luggage as I look upon a Peace now as
certain I hope to be setting off from hence
in April or May. I am sorry to find you
are not better reconcil'd to my absence, you
ought to consider how necessary it was for
our Interest, I am sure if I had not return'd
here as I did my Estates Affairs were going
into such disorder that they would not
have been able to maintain us in England
in the expensive manner we lived. My Sister
& all friends are well. Joseph Williams died
suddenly last Week & Thomas Witter of Orange.

lay about ten days ago neither of them I believe
will be much miss'd, indeed it will be a great
advantage to Joe Williams's Children, as he was
always running in Debt. Mr. Bosley was
brought to bed about 3 weeks ago of a
girl, Miss Lewis is well & pleas'd with
her situation I do not yet hear that
she has got any lovers. When you
write to Miss Milton pray give my
compliments having neglected writing to her
so long, I am really ashamed of doing
it now, let her ^{know} that I have enquired of
Mr. Ford concerning her affairs & find he
had put them in a very good situation
so that in a few years she will receive
all her Debt from Gale, I therefore have
not made any use of her Power of Attorney
or even let Mr. Ford know that I had
such a one as it would give her offence
she must therefore correspond with him
as before. Give my love to my Children
tell Molly I thank her for her letter Mr.
Futter gives me great pleasure in informing
me that she improves greatly. My compliments
in particular to Miss Fetter, Mr. Humphrey
& Mr. Caulfield I am & Molly
yours most affly
M. Hall

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**CORRESPONDENCE - Thomas Hall
to Molly Hall [wife], 1763 January 9**



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