

in all appearance — As the crops of sugar
this year will be 30000 lbs of better
sugar than preceding crop — The barrels on
the plant are coming on very well, & will cer-
tainly do something worth while this year to
Mr Hamilton it is ~~undoubtedly~~ worth £10,000 being
but to nobody else above £1000 steel.

Yours Respectfully
Sir your Obedient
Servant
J. Cunningham of Helms

Everingham & Co Bank
April 20 1785
William Hall's Debt

John Kenner Esq. Jamaica Mortgage Office

Sir

Your esteemed favour of 7th Inst. came to
hand about 3 weeks ago, by the Sarah, Dutchess
Westland to the information you give us of Mr
Halls conduct, & lament his want of judgement in
not seeing that his true interest lies in the obser-
vance of your advice — His children certainly when
the grown up will pay you the debts neglected by
their Father, & acknowledge with gratitude your
kind interposition in their behalf — For our parts
we are discharging the trust of attorneys which we
are indebted to you for, with our best abilities, have
the hope that from the success of his Estates under
our management Mr Hall will be constrained to
cast away the debts he has unreasonably taken
against us — His children we flatter ourselves
will have more penetration & discover that our efforts

which has tended to advance rather than diminish their
brothers property.

Mr William Hall's affairs are in a very
complicated situation. He mentioned in a former letter
that Mr Perry agent in this country for Messrs Gordon
of Bristol had made some agreement for taking up
his Debt, but we have since learned that his Principals
refuse to confirm the terms, & have noted Bills to the
amount of £4000. Sterl. drawn by Mr Hall and endor-
sed by Mr Perry. These Bills it is supposed
will absolutely return, as Mr. Hall's Agents will
not get home in time to take them up - a parcel
is already gone to Bristol - His debts cannot be
less than £25000 Sterl. - Had he been a man
of judicious conduct, he would not have owed anything
at this day, and have cleared Round Hill Estate.

Mr John Simpson died lately, his widow we hear
is to manage his affairs with the advice of her friend
the Barrotte. His debts must be at least £30000 Sterl.

We beg leave to inform you, that the Earl of
Derby Capt Wright we expect will be round in a
few days to fill up for Liverpool, - A Gentleman
our house in Kingston, made application some time
ago for sending to this Ship, but having made
positive promises of shipment to Capt Hodgson
Dorchester, & Fargisher, & had promises to others
we could give no encouragement to the Earl of Derbys
coming to this port, Hodgson being gone, & Far-
gisher going, and Dorchester not being yet ready
to take in his parcel. We are guided by your letter
in favour of Capt Wright, to make up his cargo
with Mr Halls Sugar & any other we can accom-
modate them, & it is much owing to your desire
that we interest ourselves for this Ship - cargo to
Liverpool all this year abundant, & we have more
applications for goods than we can supply -
The cargo in Hanover has fallen off, but in this
part, & Delaware, will be as good as the last

Hall Family Papers and Sugar Plantation Records

1709 - 1892

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Cleland to John Kennion, 1785 April 20**



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