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J. E. S.
Thomas Hall Esq.
To the Care of Thomas &
Stephen Sullers Merch.
Pachott att London

Ms A
28th
1757

Dear Son

Jamaica 28 October 1759

I received yr Letter in July as likewise my Daughter & yr
3^d August which gave me great Pleasure to hear you &
all your family were well and that you had got so per-
fectly agreeable a Situation for your family. I hope
my Daughter will keep her health where she can have
her Gardens & Orbits, to Direct her. Don't think you
went great for all those conveniences, I hope you had an
agreeable journey in the Country, and I'll keep you
healthy - am greatly pleased to hear you are not so fat
anymore as I left Jamaica you mentioned in your
Letter of last year returning the next year to this Island not
withstanding I should be extremely glad to see you
here I hope you'll not resign your Life while the
war lasts - I have not heard from Joseph lately but
have some Novels from Thence as Old Abner Munch
Cooper Doctor & some others, Abner has bin Capt. &
Don't ~~know~~ now so well, but is in a very declining
State, Doctor three times Capt but now seems quite
well, & hope he will be able to go to work again
I shall say nothing of Trinities management as I
believe Mr. Hughes can give you a more certain ac-
count of it than my self - all things go on well at
home as I hear, & they are making a great plant the
regions there well stocked & plenty - Mr. Barclay has
made some inquiry about Mrs. Purfield's Land at the Key
and says the short of it is proved, & the stone very old &
rotten that the cut side worth is not more than four
hundred pounds, as to the Savanna if the power is not
yet come over I beg you'll purchase it, I would give
150 or 200 pound for it rather than not have it, as
it will make a great addition to Wolley Hall

looking over my Father's old Papers I found a Will of Mrs
Caulfield's Father's & find by it there is one hundred acres
of Land adjoining on Barham's Estate and the river &
as I am informed is now in pairs ^{that} ~~the~~ ^{of} her mother &
Aunt Prichard did not sell, must belong to her, & if
so much a great Deal of money. I have Deputed Mr. Pen-
land to ^{be with} ~~be with~~ the office & let you know how it is.
There is an old negro fellow belonging to Mrs. Caulfield
one that was old G's Father's & given to her mother his
name is Spunk was her mother's waiting man when she
use to live here. He has bin very ill & died by those that
lived him, and I believe has bin absent some time from
them. He was once a very good Slave, but now almost
past his Labour. He came plain & begged I would buy
him & believe he is some where about this Point. I
Mrs. Caulfield will take twenty pounds for him. I
knows & if he should come here again will stop &
attend to a bill for the money.
I hope as this the June fleet is arrived and that
your Suggers will get to a good Market. I have al-
ways write to you by all the fleets & every Packett
but believe the Letter have miscarried.
We have now ~~fine~~ weather & plenty and the Country in
generall health. I hope my Dear Son you
still continue to let me hear from you as often as you
can, with the greatest Pleasure I can have. Mr
Barclay begs to be kindly remembered to you. I
have not to add but best wishes love & Blessing
to you & yours are as ever my Dear Son
My Compliments to Mrs. Caulfield. Your most affectionate Mother
Mary Barclay

Received of
Mrs. Caulfield
the sum of
£20
for the purchase
of Spunk
the 25th of June
1781
J. Penland

Hall Family Papers and Sugar Plantation Records

1709 - 1892

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**CORRESPONDENCE - Mary Barclay
to Thomas Hall [son], 1759 October 28**



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