

Copy of
Letter to
J. Hall

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Florence Oct. 8. 1830.

My dear Friend

This I have given orders should be sent to you immediately on my death. I have written Instructions for Mr. Shields what they are to do respecting my funeral, as I wish to give my friends in England as little trouble as possible. I have also given Instructions to them what they are to do with my Plate, and linen, and the few things that I have for my use in my Apartments, there will no occasion for any of my friends to come to Italy on my death, as I have appointed Shields and his wife to settle every thing. I shall order them to give to the Coachman Cook and Footman, six months wages, their own wages made up to them the end of their Year - I have mentioned this a second time in case the other Letter may not get to its destination. Mr. Shields I wish you to give her three hundred pounds with the one she has left in my hands, to Mr. Shields two hundred pounds, his wages is £60 pr. ann. and his wife £30. They are both very valuable servants to me, they have managed most of my affairs with great economy, I must allow the confidence I have placed in them I have every reason to be satisfied with, as I pay my Bills every week and my Under servants every month, I shall have no demands upon me - Should my servants want money they must apply to my Banker, they must let Shields know, to whom the money is to be paid to in England, that my friends may order it to be paid - I have made out a list of things that I wish Madame de Shust, My Niece at Leghorn, and Mr. Shields to have which she will show you on her arrival in England - anything that you have had the goodness to keep for me, if they are worth

your acceptance I hope you will keep, my late
husbands picture I have no place to put it in, if
you will have the goodness to send it to Lurgin you
will oblige me, I pray destroy all the old bills and books
belonging to my late husband, I wish Mr. Walker to do
the same. I feel glad the presence of my friends will
not be required as Shields and his wife will be capable
to manage what little there will be for them to
settle. You see my dear friend that this is written on
my return from England last time I was there.

God bless you, my ever
dear friends.

(signed) Frances Esdaile

What I have left Madame d'Host Shields is to
write to her to know by what conveyance she are
to be sent to her, My two Carriages I have ordered
Shields to sell, it would be as well if you or Mr.
Walker would ask my Banker in Pall Mall to
write to Messrs Shinton Esq: at Naples to let
Shields have what money he may want to pay
any expences that may be necessary. I have ordered
Shields to enclose this to you - Fulcomet failed
two years ago, the Shintons are my Bankers now

This Letter I have opened to tell you who are
my Bankers now.

Esq

Angleterre

John Hall Esq:

Hollybush

Lichfield

Staffordshire

Hall Family Papers and Sugar Plantation Records

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