Neil Jeffares, Dictionary of pastellists before 1800

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HUNTER, James

Scotland c.1717-1745 Elder brother of William Hunter; he studied law

at Edinburgh but was a keen amateur artist. According to a letter of 22.II.1838 from Joanna Baillie to William Baillie,

You say in your letter "We have a picture of him (viz your Por) in our possession. School masters do not often have their pictures taken." This is a mistake, for the picture in question is the portrait of Dr Hunter's Father, and was originally painted in Crayons by his son James Hunter, who had a turn for drawing, and was afterwards copied by Remsdike or Pine for Dr Hunter. Your aunt Agnes & I have a copy from that copy done by Lady Montgomery.

Rymsdyk and Robert Edge Pine have separate entries.

Bibliography Glasgow 2007; *The collected letters of Joanna Baillie*, 1999, I, p. 70

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William HUNTER (1718-1783), J.4104.101 anatomist, founder of the Hunterian Museum, cr. clr, charcoal/pchm, 52x38.2, c.1739 (Glasgow, Hunterian, inv. GLAHA 44231). Exh.: Glasgow 2007 q

