Letter from William Bagot, Oxford, to Walter Bagot, 1619 November 7: autograph manuscript signed, Papers of the Bagot family of Blithfield, Staffordshire. Transcription by Early Modern Manuscripts Online (EMMO). MS L.a.176, Folger Shakespeare Library, Washington, DC.

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Dear father, my humble duty remembered unto you, the cause of my writing unto you at this time is to certify you that my bedfellow and I are in good health I thank God. I wrote a letter unto you by Mr Challenor but which went up to London with my cousin Crompton but I cannot tell whether you have received it or no. I have sent you by this bearer a pen knife the best that I could get being a small rememberance of my duty. My Tutor goeth to his fathers to keep Christmas wherfore I pray you let me come in to the country with my cousin Crompton I have need of suit a suit if it please you to let me have it against Christmas for my best shute is quite out of fashion, if your pleasure be that I shall have one my tutor may buy it and lay out the money till the quarter's end. Thus with my daily prayers to God for your health and long I life I rest

Oxford 7 November 1619 Your dutiful and obedient son William Bagot

Mr Doctor Kettell my tutor and my so cousin Crompton remember their loves unto you and my mother

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William Bagot

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