Letter from Richard Broughton to Richard Bagot, Blithfield, 1593 May 30: autograph manuscript signed., Papers of the Bagot family of Blithfield, Staffordshire. Transcription by Early Modern Manuscripts Online (EMMO). MS L.a.273, Folger Shakespeare Library, Washington, DC.

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Sir the plague increaseth very much in London and is dispersed in many places. therefore I would gladly my man would bring my horses the week after Trinity Sunday. the term is in effect cut off as by the proclamation herein enclosed may appear, for the privy seal money of Staffordshire on Monday last there was no order but Mr Sugdon told me that he thought order would taken for payment of such as Lent in May. when order is taken I shall know. and if I had dispatched with Mr Auditor I would wish myself my partner Aunt Lettice & Mall in the country, and thus (not having else) until the next messenger with hearty commendations and duties remembered from everybody here. I Commit you & yours to the tuition of the Almighty this 30th of May 1593

Your Richard Broughton

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To the Right Worshipful my very Loving father-in-law Mr Richard Bagot Esquire at Blithfield