

**Letter from Thomas Browne, Shredicote, to Walter Bagot, Blithfield, 1615  
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Right worshipful it hath often pleased you heretofore, out  
of your love without my desert, to bestow venison on  
me, before I required any. but having now some friends  
come from London, (that have lain with me this month) makes me  
like a bold begger to prevent so frank a giver with this  
humble request, that you will be pleased to bestow on me  
a Buck or half a buck against Sunday next, and to signify  
your pleasure to this bearer my Man, Whether I may come  
to see it killed on Friday or Saturday next either with your  
own hounds (if it please the gentlemen your sons to make  
themselves sport) or else with a brace of dogs that I shall  
bring, or otherwise may send for it to your keeper So craving  
pardon for my presumption upon this occasion with remembrance of  
my best service I can do you. I take leave Shredicote  
this second of August 1615

Yours always to command  
Thomas Browne

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To the Right  
Worshipful Walter Bagot  
Esquire at Blithfield  
these be delivered

Walter Bagot