

Letter from William Howard, 1st baron Howard of Effingham, to Sir Thomas Browne, 1572 April 7: autograph manuscript signed, Papers of the More family of Loseley Park, Surrey. Transcription by Early Modern Manuscripts Online (EMMO). MS L.b.238, Folger Shakespeare Library, Washington, DC.

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Mr Browne, I haue receyved the Quenes Maiesties Commission
vnder the greate Seale of England, touchinge fugetives, in
the countye of Surrie/ In which Commission, Mr Weson, Mr
Baron Birche Mr More, Mr Agmondesham and you are
ioyned with me. I purpose (god willinge) to be at my howse
at Reigate vpon ffridaie nexte; where I would most
willinglye haue you all, to consider if the contentes of the same
Commission, and theirevpon to proceade accordinglye. I praie
you theirefore finde some meanes to sende woorde hereof vnto
Mr Weston, Mr More, Mr Agmondesham, and Mr Birche
(if he be nere at hande) and *that* they be with me at my
howse vpon mondaie nexte, and then we will ~~consider~~^{conferr} together
what is beste to Done / And so with commendacions I bid
you farewell. / ffrom the Courte this Mondaie mornynge
the viith of Aprill / 1572 /

Your Lovinge frende
William Howard /

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L. W. Howarde

7. Apr. 1572

about a Commission for
fugitives in Surrey
to meet at his house at
Reigate, to consider what
should be done