Letter from Brute Babington, Lichfield, to Lady Anne Ferrers (née Bradbourne), Walton, 1590s December 11: autograph manuscript signed, Papers of the Ferrers Family of Tamworth Castle. Transcription by Early Modern Manuscripts Online (EMMO). MS L.e.639, Folger Shakespeare Library, Washington, DC.

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Madam, I received your Ladyship's letters when I was at dinner and in the evening when I was going to supper I received the letters enclosed, whereby you may at large perceive so much as I can certify or direct you touching the business enjoined wherein I am at the further devotion and good pleasure of Sir Humphrey and yourself if so you think $f[\diamondsuit]$ all my possible endeavours. And even so with my duty loving Commendations to you both I remain yours $[\diamondsuit]$ and firmly devoted

Lichfield the 11th December. Babington

The waters have so long detained my footman as he saith: which I verily believe. let me know your pleasure when I shall go, and I will provide myself and be ready And so with hearty thanks for all your kindness I take leave:

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To the right worshipful my very good Lady and especial good friend the Lady Ferrers at Walton. delivered