

Letter from Richard Broughton to Richard Bagot, 1593 May 26: autograph manuscript signed, Papers of the Bagot family of Blithfield, Staffordshire. Transcription by Early Modern Manuscripts Online (EMMO). MS L.a.272, Folger Shakespeare Library, Washington, DC.

leaf 1 recto

S^r the plague increaseth and my L. Threr hath given furth that the next terme shalbe adiourned but for necessarie returnes of pces it is thought the first day & last day shalbe kept wth attendance of ffewe Clerk{es}/ my ptner thanketh you for her suster letice you could not haue sent her a better token/: she is desirous to haue her man humffrey to bringe vp horses against the begynninge of the tyme of holdinge the next terme about{es} xvth of Iune, and then god willinge against midsomer we shall visite you, my La. Riche hath bene desirous to haue my p^r wth her at Lees/ my La. her moth^r & Suster Dor Will accompanye her besid{es} many other good Gossips/.

The privie seale money for Staffordshire is not expected to be paid before miche The warrant that came furth was for paym^t of such as two yeres before had lent. & Staffordshire lent a moneth after at first but some by p^rvate frendship haue made meanes to obtayne spiall warrant. but in miche terme their gen{er}all paym^t wilbe/ I was yesterday wth M^r Audit^r signifieng that I had spoken wth M^r Darrell in whose charge S^r Amice Poulet{es} lre mencoed lxx^s should be accompted/. M^r Darrell signified that he made his accompt{es} privatelie to S^r Amyce & his officers. and that all S^r Amyce accompt{es} are made in his name & his ex^{rs} being an infinite great accompt w^{ch} is to be found wth M^r Audit^r Conyers. Where I must take a litle paynes, and if this be omitted in his charges, you must haue allowance. and then M^r audit^r saieth he will ch^rge S^r Amyce ex^{rs}/. for Beaudesert reckoning{es} vpon sight of my L. Threr Lre he will give allowance wthout troublinge my L Threr./ Thus in hast vntill the next messg^r wth 1593. comendacons & duties remembred from eu{er}y bodie/ &c. I Comitt you to god this 26 of May.

Yo^{rs} R Br

I think my man humffrey be in Shrop sire
I will write hence to him thither to
come vp wth gelding{es} &c

The co^t is at Nonsuche and the houshold is nere
Oteland{es}. expectinge the next remove
to be to Oteland{es}/.

leaf 1 verso

leaf 2 recto

leaf 2 verso

the R Worth my verie Lovinge
her in Lawe Richard Bagot
Esquier

My d. white gelding.
Bay Newport
Bay Trotter.
gray Adderley.
gray Mare./ 5
my d. bagot{es} gelding.
3 in shropshyre/
Bay Atock{es}
My Soñe Trewes gelding
gray Barroll/
Sorell spled Mare/

my Sonne broughton
my d. Broughton
Nant Letyce
Mall broughton.
Iohn Lucas
Iohn Maylord.
W^m Wirrall./
Vrsula
Abraham/ 9