

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.

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Sir the plague increaseth and my Lord Treasurer hath given forth that the next term shall be adjourned but for necessary returns of process it is thought the first day & last day shall be kept with attendance of Few Clerks/ my partner thanketh you for her sister Lettice you could not have sent her a better token/: she is desirous to have her man Humphrey to bring up horses against the beginning of the time of holding the next term abouts 15th of June, and then God willing against midsummer we shall visit you, my Lady Rich hath been desirous to have my partner with her at Lees/ my Lady her mother & Sister Dorothy Will accompany her besides many other good Gossips/.

The privy seal money for Staffordshire is not expected to be paid before Michaelmas The warrant that came forth was for payment of such as two years before had lent. & Staffordshire lent a month after at first but some by private friendship have made means to obtain special warrant. but in Michaelmas term their general payment will be/ I was yesterday with Mr Auditor signifying that I had spoken with Mr Darrell in whose charge Sir Amias Paulet's letter mentioned 70^s should be accompted/. Mr Darrell signified that he made his accompts privately to Sir Amias & his officers. and that all Sir Amias accompts are made in his name & his exchequers being an infinite great accompt which is to be found with Mr Auditor Conyers. Where I must take a little pains, and if this be omitted in his charges, you must have allowance. and then Mr Auditor saith he will charge Sir Amias's exchequers/. for Beaudesert reckonings upon sight of my Lord Treasurer's Letter he will give allowance without troubling my Lord Treasurer./ Thus in haste until the next messenger with 1593. commendations & duties remembered from everybody/ &c. I Commit you to God this 26 of May.

Yours Richard Broughton

I think my man Humphrey be in Shropshire
I will write hence to him thither to
come up with geldings &c

The court is at Nonsuch and the household is near
Oatlands. expecting the next remove
to be to Oatlands/.

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

My daughter's white gelding.
Bay Newport
Bay Trotter.
gray Adderley.
gray Mare./ 5
my daughter Bagot's gelding.
3 in Shropshire/
Bay Attocks
My Son Trew's gelding
gray Barroll/
Sorrel spled Mare/

my Son Broughton
my daughter Broughton
Aunt Lettice
Mall Broughton.
John Lucas
John Maylord.
William Wirrall./
Ursula
Abraham/ 9