

**Letter from Richard Broughton to Richard Bagot, Blithfield, 1593 May 30:  
autograph manuscript signed., Papers of the Bagot family of Blithfield,  
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Sir the plague encreaseth verie much in London and is dispersed  
in many places. therefore I wold gladlie my man would bringe  
my horses the weke after Trinitie sonday. the terme is in effect  
cut of as by the proclamacion herein enclosed may appeare, for the  
privie seale money of Staffordshire on monday last there was no order  
but mr Sugdon told me that he thought order would taken  
for payment of such as Lent in Maye. when order is taken I shall  
knowe. and if I had dispatched with mr Auditor I would wishe  
my self my partner Nant Letice & Mall in the contrey, and thus  
(not having els) vntill the next messenger with hartie commendacions  
and duties remembred from euery bodie here. I Comitt you & yours  
to the tucion of thalmightie this 30th of May 1593

*Your Richard Broughton*

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To the Right Worshipfull my  
very Lovinge father in Lawe mr  
Richard Bagot Esquir  
at Blithfeld