

**Letter from Anthony Bagot, London, to Richard Bagot, Blithfield, 1578/1579
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As duty Constrayneth me I am to let yow vnderstand as
neare as I Can when my *Lord* meayneth to take his iorny
towards Cambridge: the *which* at this present he is determyned
to take the fourthe of this monethe. The Cause of his
tarryinge so longe at the Courte was to see the comminge
of one Cassamyere a ffreanche Imbassator, whome
(the Queenes grace) dothe greatly esteeme,/ ffor this
first of ffebruary there was suche a shewe of
noble men & gentlemen in the Tylt yarde at whitte
Hall, as the Lyke (by euery mans report) hathe
not been seene this fforty yeares. ffurther to
troble yow herein I thinke it is needlesse for the
bearer hearof mr Hocleton can Certyfye you./
And thus in hast I Committ yow to god whoe euer defend
yow & all yours./ ffrom London the second of
ffeburary 1578.

Your humble & obedyent sonne
Anthony Bagott

[The] assyses begyn at Wooluor Hampton
the xith of marche.

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To the right Worshippfull
& his singuler good father
mr Bagott esquier at Blythfield
giue these

Anthony Bagot
to his Father Richard
Bagot 1578