

**Letter from John Draycott, Painsley to Walter Bagot, Blithfield, circa 1600
March 26: autograph manuscript signed, Papers of the Bagot family of
Blithfield, Staffordshire. Transcription by Early Modern Manuscripts Online
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Good cousin, my uncle Edward Basset, and myself, being At
Blithfield with you, did move you, in the behalf of this lame soldier,
William Lee; who hath lived in very poor estate, this six years,
in England, without Any Relief of the country, so I desire you, that
you would please, to help him to such yearly stipend, As other
maimed soldiers have, within the shire, that Are in like case, so
not doubting, of your best furtherance herein, with my kind commends
to you and my cousin Rest./

Your ever Loving cousin

John Draycott

Painsley

March.26.

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To the Worshipful his very Loving
cousin Walter Bagot esquire
give these./././././
At
Blithfield/

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