

**Letter from Edward Sutton, Baron Dudley, Himley, to Walter Bagot,  
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M<sup>r</sup> sheiriefe I receved by Newes yo<sup>r</sup> bayliefte yesternight last  
notice of a Iurie to be impanelled Concerning Certen land{es} of myne  
lieng in Typton. the service to be don on thursday next. the matter  
Concernes me verie much. the landes lieing in a parke vnder my  
house syde, now the tyme being so shorte, my request ys that yt  
may please yo<sup>u</sup> to do me the favor to stay the pceedeing of the  
Cavse vntill the next vacation, against w<sup>ch</sup> tyme I shalbe redye  
for the same, w<sup>ch</sup> kindnes yf yt please you I rest my selfe to requite  
att my house at Hymley this xiiii<sup>th</sup> of Ianuarie 1603

Y<sup>e</sup> Yo<sup>r</sup> assured Louyng frend  
Duddley

Good m<sup>r</sup> Shriffe lett me desiare  
you to do me thys fauor and if  
euer I can requite it you shall  
not fynde me vngratfull it consernes  
me x tymes more then the land  
is worth because it is the parke  
my hous at duddele standes in

yf it maye not bee stayed to bee defered for one week

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**leaf 2 recto**

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To the right worshipfull  
M<sup>r</sup> walter Bagott sheirrife  
of the Countie of Staff~  
yeave these

My L Dudley his lers:  
1603