

Letter from Lewis Bagot, London, to Walter Bagot, Blithfield, 1604 November 20: autograph manuscript signed, Papers of the Bagot family of Blithfield, Staffordshire. Transcription by Early Modern Manuscripts Online (EMMO). MS L.a.64, Folger Shakespeare Library, Washington, DC.

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Emmanuel

My duty remembered: I have received your last letter delivered by Mr Brown, whose chamber he is content to let me have at his departure; but Mr Harris hath promised, at the ending of this term, to help me to a chamber, within the temple which if he do not perform, then I will trouble Mr Broune for his chamber: ~~but I think it.~~ Whereas I write before, that Sir Walter Aston would let me have his chamber, to the time that I were better provided, he hath now deceived me for the last time I was with him being Saturday, he told me I that he could not go out of London: before the Saturday following, and then I should have his chamber: then I came to his chamber, upon the Wednesday following, because I would be sure to speak with him, lest he should give me the slip, as he did he was gone out of the town: now if he had been minded, to have let me had his chamber, he would have sent me word, of his departure: for I told him where I did lie, and prayed him that if he went away before, he would send me word. As for news here is none worthy the writing the king is now at Royston the Queen and Prince at Whitehall. So craving your daily blessing and my good mother's to whom my duty I hope you will remember: not forgetting my duty to my Grandmother and commendations to my sister Anne and Frank and to my brother Harvey & Richard. I most humbly take my leave this 20th of November 1604.

Your dutiful son
Lewis Bagot

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To the right worshipful his loving father
Mr Walter Bagot at Blithfield
these be delivered with Speed

Lewis Bagot to His
Father Walter Bagot
1604