

**Letter from Margaret Trew to Walter Bagot, Blithfield, circa 1615 May 11:  
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Good brother at michelmas last I shoude haue reseued my mony from  
my .L. which you kno was due to mie. but .m<sup>f</sup>. winkefeld sent by my sone  
to desire mi to ste til our ladi day and then hi wolde pay it and .5<sup>l</sup>. for  
the vse of it. I tould my sone when hi went from mi if my .L. wold give  
him .20<sup>l</sup>. a yeare during his life and that I might have .10<sup>l</sup>. of it during .<sup>m</sup>y. life  
I wold bi very willing to giue it his lorde ship but since my .L. came home  
I have not hard from my sone I am therefore to intreate you good brother  
to do so mch for mi as to kno my Lode his pleasue here in that I ma have  
this for my sone or else to pay mi my monye I hue my .L. his hand  
for it which I wilsend you if the mony be redi and intreat you to reseue it  
for mi. I preu you if you can speake first with my sone to kno what aunswere  
hie hath of my .L. and then to dofor mi as you thinke best for I have nobodi  
vnder good to trust to but your selfe. and thus with my best and kidest comēdci  
to your selfe and my good sister with thankes for hir token. I commit you both  
with all yourse to the almihtty to wome I pray dayly for your life and heal

11 of may

Your pore louing Sister

Margaret Trew

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To the worshipful and  
my good brother M<sup>er</sup>  
Walter Bagott

Marg.<sup>t</sup> True to  
her Brother Wal.<sup>r</sup> Bagot