

Letter from William Howard, 1st baron Howard of Effingham, to Sir Thomas Browne, 1572 April 7: autograph manuscript signed, Papers of the More family of Loseley Park, Surrey. Transcription by Early Modern Manuscripts Online (EMMO). MS L.b.238, Folger Shakespeare Library, Washington, DC.

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M^r Browne, I haue receyved the Quenes Mai^{ties} Co^mmission vnder the greate Seale of England, touchinge fugetives, in the countye of Surr/ In w^{ch} Commission, M^r Weson, M^r Baron Birche M^r More, M^r Agmondesh^am and yo^u are ioyned wth me. I purpose (god willinge) to be at my howse at Reigate vpon ffridaie nexte; where I would most willinglye haue yo^u all, to consider if the content{es} of the same Co^mmission, and therevpon to p^{ro}ceede accordinglye. I praie yo^u therefore finde some meanes to sende woorde hereof vnto M^r Weston, M^r More, M^r Agmondesh^am, and M^r Birche (if he be nere at hande) and y^t they be wth me at my howse vpon mondaie nexte, and then we will ~~consider~~ ^{conferr} together what is beste to Done / And so wth commenda^{co}ns I bid you farewell. / ffrom the Courte this Mondaie mornyng the viith of Aprill / 1572 /

Yo^r Lovinge frende
W. Howard /

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L. W. Howarde

7. Apr. 1572

about a Commission for
fugitives in Surrey
to meet at his house at
Reigate, to consider what
sho^d be done