

**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.**

**leaf 1 recto**

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

Yo<sup>r</sup> Lovinge frende  
W. Howard /

**leaf 1 verso**

L. W. Howarde

7. Apr. 1572

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