

**Letter from John Donne to Sir Robert More, Loseley, 1614 August 10:
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S^r

Since I had no other thinge in contemplation
when I purposed thys iourney, then my health,
me thinks yt ys a kinde of phisick, to be so
longe about that; and I grow weary of phi-
sick quickly. I haue therfore put of that pur-
pose; at least tyll the k: come into these parts.
If yo^r horse, (w^{ch} I returne by thys carryar
of Gilford) have not found as good Salads in
o^r Covent garden, as he should at Lothesley,
yet I beleeeue he hath had more ease, then he
should haue had there. We are condemnd to thys
Desart of London for all thys sommer: for yt
ys Company, not houses w^{ch} distinguishes between
Cityes, and Desarts. When I began to apprehend,
that euen to myselfe, who can releive myselfe
vpon books, solitarines was a litle burdenous, I
beleעד yt would be much more so, to my wyfe,
if shee were left alone. So much company
therfore, as I ame, shee shall not want: and wee
had not one another at so cheape a rate, as y^t
we should ever be wearye of one another. S^r,
when these places affoord any thinge worthe yo^r
knowledge, I shall be yo^r Referendary. Now, my
errand ys onely to deliuer my thanks and
services, accompanied wth yo^r poore sisters, to yo^r
selfe, and all yo^r good Company.

Yo^{rs} euer to be commanded,

I: Donne

10 Aug: 1614.

I pray S^f give thys note enclosed to my lady, yo^f mother.
it ys of some parcells w^{ch} she commanded my wyfe to buy
for her. w^{ch} are sent down, at thys tyme, by y^e Carryar

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To the right wors: S^f
Robert More knight

at Lothesley.