

**Letter from John Donne, St. Paul's, London, to Sir George More, 1629 June 22: autograph manuscript signed, Papers of the More family of Loseley Park, Surrey. Transcription by Early Modern Manuscripts Online (EMMO). MS L.b.542, Folger Shakespeare Library, Washington, DC.**

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The busines of thys church, and all other busines w<sup>ch</sup> concerne me in thys town determine thys weeke: so that I might be at my liberty to go to do the duty to my church in the Cuntry, next weeke, but for the expectation of that 100<sup>l</sup>, w<sup>ch</sup> ^you are to pay some days after that. If therefore yt stand not w<sup>th</sup> yo<sup>r</sup> conveniency to pay yt before, because I presume yo<sup>w</sup> wyll be gone out of town, before that 11<sup>th</sup> of July, I ame bold to intreat yo<sup>w</sup> to let me know, by whose hands yt shall be payd me then. for besides that yt were a great disappointment of my necessary service in the Cuntry, to be stayd any longer in thys town, so not to receyve yt at y<sup>t</sup> day, wyll put me to so great a trouble, as to make my poore wyll anew, and to subtract from my other children, theyr part of thys 100<sup>l</sup>. Therefore I humbly intreat yo<sup>w</sup>, that I may hear from yo<sup>w</sup>, before y<sup>r</sup> goinge out of town, and rest

yo<sup>r</sup> poore sonne in law, and  
humble servant in Chr: Ies:  
I: Donne.  
At Pauls house.  
22 Iun: 1629.

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To the R: Wor:<sup>full</sup> S<sup>r</sup>  
George More k<sup>t</sup>