

**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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Sir

The business of this church, and all other business which concern me in this town determine this week: so that I might be at my liberty to go to do the duty to my church in the Country, next week, but for the expectation of that 100<sup>l</sup>, which you are to pay some days after that. If therefore it stand not with your conveniency to pay it before, because I presume you will be gone out of town, before that 11<sup>th</sup> of July, I am bold to entreat you to let me know, by whose hands it shall be paid me then. for besides that it were a great disappointment of my necessary service in the Country, to be stayed any longer in this town, so not to receive it at that day, will put me to so great a trouble, as to make my poor will anew, and to subtract from my other children, their part of this 100<sup>l</sup>. Therefore I humbly entreat you, that I may hear from you, before your going out of town, and rest

your poor son-in-law, and  
humble servant in Christ Jesus  
John Donne.  
At Paul's house.  
22 June 1629.

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To the Right Worshipful Sir  
George More knight