

**Letter from Anne Bacon (née Gresham) to Lady Anne Gresham(?), 1572/1573  
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Madame, I thought it good for me to writ somthinge to  
y<sup>r</sup> La: though I wrot y<sup>e</sup> lesse, least by not writinge  
I sholde seame to forget y<sup>t</sup> dutie, w<sup>ch</sup> I iustly owe vnto  
y<sup>r</sup> La: I vnderstande allmost every weake by Mr  
Stringar of y<sup>r</sup> La: good health & my fathers, w<sup>ch</sup> I am  
very glad to heare of. I myself am somewhat sickly.  
Some pswade me, y<sup>t</sup> it is to a good end. My owne experi=  
ence (as y<sup>r</sup> La: knoweth) is small to iudg. Suer I am, ther  
is yet no certeintie of y<sup>t</sup> y<sup>e</sup>i saie. Yet I hope well, & I  
praie to God I be not deceived of my hope. Thus w<sup>th</sup>  
humble remembrance of my dutie to my father I take  
my leave, wisshinge y<sup>r</sup> La: longe to live in pfect health.

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