

**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  
*your Ladyship* though I wrot *the lesse*, least by not writinge  
I sholde seame to forget *that dutie*, which I iustly owe vnto  
*your Ladyship*. I vnderstande allmost every weake by Mr  
Stringar of *your Ladyship* good health & my fathers, which I am  
very glad to heare of. I myself am somewhat sickly.  
Some perswade me, *that* it is to a good end. My owne experi=  
ence (as *your Ladyship* knoweth) is small to iudg. Suer I am, ther  
is yet no certeintie of *that thei* saie. Yet I hope well, & I  
praie to God I be not deceived of my hope. Thus with  
humble remembrance of my dutie to my father I take  
my leave, wisslinge *your Ladyship* longe to live in perfect health.

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