

Letter from Susan Bayning, London, to "Sweet Ladye" (Lady Anne Ferrers?), circa 1600 January 10: autograph manuscript signed, Papers of the Ferrers Family of Tamworth Castle. Transcription by Early Modern Manuscripts Online (EMMO). MS L.e.640, Folger Shakespeare Library, Washington, DC.

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Sweet Ladye I am bould to writt vnto yo^r Ladishippe
theas few word{es} Signifiinge vnto yo^w that I dd yo^r
Chaine to yo^r Ladiships brother M^r Brodband to send yt to yo^r
Ladishippe w^{ch} I hope will be to yo^r good Likinge for I
promise yo^w of my faith I haue bin as Carfull of yt as yf
yt had bain for my self so willinge I am to doe yo^r
Ladishp service as I ame willinge to haue yt to yo^r Ladish
good Likinge. The waight of the Chayne ys 15 ownces &
halfe a quarte^r w^{ch} Cometh to 41^{li} 12^s. the makinge and
the parle ys - 9^{li}-10^s. The whole soome ys 51^{li}-2^s.
yt ys mad Iust by the rate of Lady pucker{es} Chaine
And thus cravinge pardon for my bould writtinge to
yo^r Ladishipp of so small acquaintance I rest willinge
alwais to doe yo^r Ladishp any service in any thinge yo^r
Ladishippe please to employe me thus wth my humble
Comendations to yo^r good Ladishippe not forgettinge my
good dawter fferris I leaue yo^w to god London this
xth day of Iannary.

Your Ladishipps Lovinge
ffreind to Comand Suzan bayninge

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