

**Letter from Nathaniel Rich to Sir Robert Rich, Clapham, 1697 May 12:
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Rich^d Whites letters

May y^e 12th 1697

Honored S:^r

After my duty presented to you and my
honored Aunt, These few lines are to acquaint
your Hon.^r y^t I have almost Copyed out another
of y^e Questions and Answers in which I hope
you will find some better writing then in y^e
last which I gave to you Hon.^r, and as soon as
I have done this y^t I am now about, I think to
begin another of y^e same if your Hon.^r think
fitt of it, I should have bin very glad to have
seen your Hon.^r and to my honored Aunt to day,
but y^t I doe take y^e waters I took them yester=
:day and I intend to take them to morrow god
willing: pray give my service to m^r & m.^{rs}

Cross, I doe follow my Copying in y^e afternoons
but cannot Cypher in y^e mornings by reason
of my taking of y^e waters but assoon as I
have done taking of them, I will goe every
morning, having no more to add at this time
but begging your hon.^rs pardon for troubling
you at this time with my bad writing but
hoping y^t in a short time you will see a great
change for y^e better, so begging your prayers
for me who daily stands in need of them so

I rest your dutyfull
Nephew & servant to
Co^mmand Till death
Nath: Rich

I am glad to heer that
your Hon.^r has your health
so well I pray god continue
it to you for health is a
Jewel of great value.

To
The Right Hon.^{ble} S:^r Rob:^t Rich
K.^{tt} and Barr.^{tt} at M^r Whittakers
In Clapham
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