

# Transcript

## Editorial comments:

BL MS Lansdowne 55 f. 204r - v. William Herle to Lord Burghley.

## Address leaf:

[fol. 204v]

[Superscription:] To the R. honorable mi very good Lord, the Lord highe Thresuror of England & [give] these/

[Endorsement by unknown hand:] Jan: 1587. Master Herle to my L.

## Letter text:

[fol. 204r] I hope mi good L that now att lengthe, som tender consyderacion be had of mi poore estate, & of the long pacyens I have endured, having had no releeff these 4. yeres att her majesties hands, butt one bare Cli nottwithstanding .2. chargeable vyages I have byn employed in abroad, by her majesties owne choyse & comandement. Att otlands by your L. favor, her majestie bestowed on me by paroll a Cli pencion, the drawght wherof to be signed, I left with yow att Richemond 10. weekes paste, having forborne to troble your L. muche sithens, in respect of the State cawses that have occurred, which modesty I trust may bryng the more favor for my dispatche, And albeit that master Candisshe by your L. goodnes, & his ymportunitye, had a very good gyffte bestowed on him, whose sute hong nott above 13. dayes, yett for me (howsoever I have deserved & that mi neede withall presseth me most neere) I desire nott to prevayll by ymportunity & presumpcion, though I shold leese all. Wherfore R. honorable L. have me in your favorable remembrance, & now the rather, for that her majestie is uppon som remove, for her [reversion], I nott being hable to endure ani longer delaye, nor the expences that may succede./ I humbly presume, that it is far from her Royall disposityon, ether by differryng, to demynisse the quality of her gyffte, or by withdrawing from her princely woorde ~~ani parte of~~ the substance ~~therof~~, to depryve me of hope & of it together. Knowing that allwayes she observes this maxime, *Quod Princeps sit in fidis & sedulos propensior, quam in ceterus* & I verely humbly submitt mi self to her majesties graciowsnes, who is wont to remember, *Che assai domanda, che ben servendum. Tace.* protestyng to God, that yf she thought her self served therwith, I coud be content, to be putt in the mowthe of the Canon, to be shott agaynst her enmyes, wherewith mi R. h. good Lord I humbly take mi leve, prayeng to God to gyve her majestie & your L. mani good new yeres together. 1587 your L. most humbly Bownden W Herllely.