

Transcript

Editorial comments:

SP 12/195/23 f. 44r - v. William Davison to Sir Francis Walsingham.

Address leaf:

[fol. 44v]

[Superscription:] To the right honorable Sir frauncis Walsingham knyghte, Principall Secretorie to her Majestie & one of her hignes most honorable privie Counsell./

[Endorsement by unknown hand:] 25 November 1586 from master Secretorie davyson

Letter text:

[fol. 44r] Sir having sealed up the inclosed her majestie being in the meane tyme informed that some of this Ambassadors trayne should be dead in there way hither warde of the plague & one or two likewise dead therof since his arryvall in england hath willed me to [send] you knowledge [1 word expunged] ^of so [much]^ to thend yoe might both cause some enquiry to be made therof & finding it so to give hym advice to forbear his arrest for some tyme till her majestie might see the dainger removed. This I doubt not he will take and interpret as a stratageme to hinder his audience & yet if the informacon be true, he can have noe reason to press you. Which I leave to your honors better informacon & so againe comytteng yow to Gods holy protection do humbly take my leave/
At *Richemonde* this xxvth of November 1586. Your honors ever assured/ W. Davison.

[Postscript:] It seemes that Herle is the informer of this matter who hath directions to make better inquiry & to wayte upon yow. withall forthwith Which howsoever he [acquit] her Majestie wolde not have omytted otherwise.