Transcript

Editorial comments:

SP 12/181/56 f. 190r - 191v. William Herle to Lord Burghley.

Address leaf:

[fol. 191v]

[Superscription:] To the R. honorable mi verey good L. the Lord highe Thresuror of England etc. gyve these with/ speede att Thiballts /

[Endorsement by Burghley:] 21. Aug. 1585 William Herle with a Copy of a lre to Master Secretory

Letter text:

[fol. 190r] Your Ire R. honorable L. written yesterday I have Receved, within which was the same of myne to the Q. majestie with his Ire allso of Amsterdam, & on to master fanshaw in favor of Acerbo. for the which I thanck your L. humbly, having don an Acte of Charitye & Justice in the same./ I am most hartly sory for your L. infirmitye, & for your absence now att the Cowrtt therby. For why these Accydents of the Lowe Contreyes (under favor I speke) have grett cawse to be substancially looked to, & dayly provyded for. for albeit that Andwarp, may be of more burden than ayde, to the P. of Parma in tyme, & of more traffick to our natyon, yett the present oppynion of his happi progresse, will prevayll muche with the people, that ar governed without a hed, & breede bothe precipications & deffectyons: And for a present prooff, ytt may plese your L. to rede this paper inclosed, which is a pece of an abstract of a lre of myne, yesterday sent to master Secretory in your absence: To procure the rather juste consyderation & Regard to be had of the same yntymated theryn, & of the rest./ Owr sowdyors here go over very slackly loked to by their heddes, who dele nott only rasshly, butt allso lynger behinde, consumyng tyme & mony, & prepared rather for ostentacion than warre in their furniture, which dissolutyon will waste the sowdyors mony, & breke owtt into dissorder in the service./

I am marvaylowslye lowe browght mi L. of Late by a Relaps, otherwise I had before now written att large unto yow, butt I hope in God to se yow nottwithstandyng shortly, & to satisfye your L. in many things: for I desire to do yow the humblest offics, that an honest man that is trewly affected, may yelld: And presently I am nott ydell, thowgh for the most do kepe my Bed, haveng taken allso phisick this mornyng./

Your L. late long lre is a very glasse to make all sclanderers asshamed, that might se theme sellves in the same: And truly it shall do good to som of mi frynds (nott many) of the better sort, that mene well, butt waver with the sondry & vehement ympressyon of others, yll grownded in the truthe, wherfore [fol. 190v] whattsoever is of error & malyce will dye to your gretter honor & justifficatyon, & to the evydent blemish of your Adversaryes. Wherwith thanckyng your L. of the care ye have with her majestie for me, I humbly take mi Leve. My lodging the 21. of Awgust. 1585. Your L. most Bownden. W. Herlleli.