

Transcript

Editorial comments:

SP 70/137/[53] f. 192r - 193v. William Herle to Lord Burghley.

Address leaf:

[fol. 193v]

[Superscription:] To the right honorable mi very good L. the L. highe [T]resuror of England give these./

[Endorsement by unknown hand:] 6. mart 1575. Master Hearle to my L. The takinge of the Portogall Imbassadors wyfe.

Letter text:

[fol. 192r] Here was with me on to day from Pawll Buiz, mi right honorable good Lord, desirows that your L. sholld understand the truthe of this matter of Giralldos wife taking, wherby yow shall perceve that a grett fawtt was in the shippe of Dover, that first passed by theme with certain stuffe & passengers, & by whom the sayd flusshingers were well ny provoked to do that they dyd, & that therfore it deserves the better constructyon, nott if it had bin used att the seas, butt if the occasion had bin offred in ani Towne, it wolld have bred a gretter qwarrell, for the sayd flusshingers sending a boord their bote to se if they caryed ani spanish wares, or had ani enmyes of theirs passengers with theme, being com aboard sodenly cam up from under the hatches att the masters calle, a 30. or 40. strangers passengers, & caste the flushingers into the seas, which being sene by the rest, dyd so kyndell theme, as they were esely transported even with fury to boord the other shippes & to do as they dyd, yett caryeng that respect to her majestie as that they used no violence to ani though, en sang chaud, & do humbly cary this further respect to her majestie, that ani thing that her majestie will commande for the order of their restoryng that ar taken, shalbe obeyd ~~restored~~, hoping that it shall no worse be interpreted of, than as their menyng is to be dutifull to her majestie in ani thing that they be hable, & so ~~to~~ ^wold they^ expresse it be effect, being verey sory that this accident hapned, for that they do mene to intertayne good amitye with the K. of Portingalle & all his subjects, with whom they have traffyck, & nott to give occasion of offence to the lest of theme, butt to confirme the amitye with theme, by the straitest & surest waye they might, to the which your L. might serve [fol. 192v] for a wyttnesse & a qwallefier (yf ye wold so vowchesave) that this hard occasion, might be the beynneng of a gretter good bettween theme, & your L. to be the awthor of it, as though it proceded from your self, & they again do humble them selves to your L. to do yow all the service they can, & will travayll presently to ynduce things to that order that may be well liked of, wherof it may plese your L. that I may have som answer from yow in wryteng, seing mi sycknes will nott suffer me to waytt uppon yow as I wolld, wherwith remember mi motyon for Julio. & I beseche your L. to give your best advise to this that I have moved yow of on their behalf.

The partyes for the warde have their order from Bosswell as your L. appointed, & I have contented mi man with a good portyon of that I had, only to satisfye & obeye your L. though in eqwity the Bargain was his./ Wherwith verey humbly I take mi leve. from Redcrosse strete the vijth of marche. 1575. Your L. most humbly. W. Herlleli.