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Grey to the Privy Council, 28 May 1582

Address and Endorsement

To the right Honorable
my very good **Lords** and
otheres of her Highnes
Privie Councell./

Lords
28 May 1582
The **Lord** Deputy.

Text

Yt may please your **Lordships** emong the number of the la{te}*
discharged here yt happened the Captein this bearer
to bee one, whose former good carriage and forward {...}*
in every occasion of service wherein he hath bene imploy{ed}
hath both during my gouernement here & likewise before (as
is knowen to the rest of the Councell here) so well ap
proved yt self, as being now to repaire ouer into England
I could not lett him passe without my Wittnessing the
same vnto your **Lordships** beseeching you according to his well
deserving to yield him such good favour & Countenance in
such reasonable requestes as he shall occasion to sollicit
as that both the gentleman may bee thereby incoraged to con-
tynue his well doing, and my self also haue occasion
to bee thanckfull to your **Lordships** in his behalf. Euen so leaving
him to your **Lordships** good regard, I humbly take leave.
Dublin the xxvijth of May. 1582./

Your good **Lordships** assured to Commaund,

Arthur Grey

Note on hands

The address and main text of the letter, including the subscription, are in Spenser's characteristic secretary hand. The signature is Grey's own, and the endorsement, probably added when the letter was filed in London, is in a later hand. The letter is slightly damaged along the right-hand margin.

* **1 la{te}**] Here, as in several succeeding lines, damage to the right side of the manuscript has cut into the text. In this instance, the missing letters are obvious from the sense of the passage.

* **3 {...}**] One or two letters (three minim strokes) are visible at the end of this line, but it is unclear whether the word begins with 'm', 'ni', or 'in'.

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