

Address and Endorsement

To the right Hono-
rable my especiall
good frend Sir
Fraunces Walsingham
Knight Chief
Secretary to her Maiesty

16. Iulye 1582
From the Lord Deputy

Text

Sir, this day I received aduertizement out of Connagh
from the Gouernour, how that those Scottes, which I lately
signified were entred into that Province vnder the
leading of Con Odonell, hearing that the strength of
the Countrey was assembling & making towardes them, are
retired backe, having altogether spoiled the country of
Sligoh and burned the towne yt self. The which I
thought good to aduertize vnto you, to the end yt may
bee certified vnto their Lordships. So having no more at
this present, I Committ you to the goodnes of Almighty
god. Dublin, the xvijth of Iulie. 1582./

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I can not forbeare too
putt yow stylly in
mynde for my reuocation
or at least for a leaue
to repayre ouer, it tootchethe
mee neere, but more the seruyce, bee not therfore forgettfull
nor slowe in it I beeseetche yow. /

Your very assured loving frend,
Arthur Grey

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Note on hands

The address and text of this letter, including the subscription, are in Spenser's characteristic secretary hand. Grey has added his own signature, as usual, and the postscript beginning 'I can not forbeare...' in his usual hand. The endorsement, added upon receipt and filing of the letter in London, is in a distinct hand.

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