

54, f. 221.

13. *Letter from Bagshaw to the Bishop of London.*^a

Sept. 29, 1602.

My very good L. m^r Bluett is on the way hytherwarde, & commeth by Bruges. We have receaved no letters these three or foure posts from Rome whereby we can not averre any certaynty of our affayre. from Flanders they write y^t all goeth well for the Jesuits: Heere it is certified to the Kings ministers, y^t all goeth well wth the priests.

Many things ar yett to be dealte in, especially mony matters w^{ch} require many particular discussions. Ingresse & egresses is a thinge necessary for owr dispatch, if not absolutely, yett we dowbte not wth convenient limitation. I have written to m^r Secretarie for myne owne particular. I desyre your H. at your opportunity knowe what answeaare I am to expect.

For Fisher I have written to m^r Watson more fully, for not trooblinge your L. I dowbt not but your woonted prudence & respect of innocence will direct you to manage his examinations for the best
Amonge other things obiected to our brethren in Ro[me]
of owr Queene, & the Frenche Kinge. So potent is the
w^{ch} hath even heere plures fibras than one vnexperienced would . .
the L. Embassador hath yett I thinke scarcely setled
at his howse to have saluted him but he had not then bee[n] . . .
I would be loathe to recourse to him wth affronte ,
please your H. by M^r Watson or otherwise to give some advertise-
ment what is to be expected or performed.

I would be gladd to have some time in England for fetchinge some things I have, necessary to furnishe me in myne exile. that I reserve to God & your good consideration.

^a The MS. is torn at the edges, but even the mutilated sentences are not without significance.

W^h my humble dutye. Paris. this 29 of September 1602.

Your H^r in all syncere affection

Christopher Bagshaw

Endorsement (in another hand):

To the Right hono^{le} his very good Lo: the Lo: B^p of
London.

14. *Letter from Dr. John Cecil at Rome to James Hyll, Esq., at Paris.* 54. f. 238

Oct. 7, 1602.

Ryght Wo[']sh^h

The laste we receaved from yow was of the 17 of August: It seemeth by o^r calculation that yow have neclegted to write or that yo^r letters have miscaryed some 2 postes: We cannot remember eny omission one o^r partes: before I fell sicke the 2 postes immediatly precedent I delyuered to the Embassador 2 general pacquettes for yow, w^{ch} I suspect myght come to yo^r handes both together, because at the delyuery of the fyrst he was in dowbte yf he showlde by that ordinarye dispatche his private pacquate. in those of o^rs weare letters to D. Bagshowe m^r Pagget, Capten Eliot and good m^r Bossvile from me, to D. Bishop & others from my colles. I sente in the same the declaration of the Inquisition & the replyes we made agaynste the continuation of the Archp: & other heddes. after my sicknes my companions writte twise w^hout intermission & now it hath pleased God to give me so mutche strenghte & comoditye of helthe I returne to my former diligence in saluting you. The cause of the miscaryinge of o^rs & yo^rs we impute to the absence and sicknes [of] the Embass. private Secretarye; the Secretarye estab. not beinge acquayn[ted] w^h the sendinge of o^r, we f[eare] putt them w^h oth[er]s in a cover to the post master, and so may they [lie] perhappes at Lions or at the postes in Paris whear [you] shall doe well to inquier after them. thus mutch for that poynte.

My companyons have written to yow & others . . . the tyme of