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<Text: Letter>

Right~ honorabull and my right~ wurshipfull Lord J recomaund me Vnto *your* gode lordship with all  
my *seruice* euermore desereng  
to+here of *your* prosperite and welfare the which J *pray* god encres / and contynue to his plesur and  
after *your* ovne hertes desire .  
thankyng you of the gode lordship þ<sup>t</sup> ye haue shewid me at all tymes beseching you . alway of gode  
contynuanace plesid  
*your* gode lordship to be remembred . how afore this tyme hugh Wythom~ hath said he wold be in~  
rest & peese w<sup>t</sup> me  
& not to maligne agayn~ me . oþer-wise þan~ lawe and right wold // that notwithstandyng vpon~  
Munday last past he  
and iij men . w<sup>t</sup> *him* come into a *seruuant* hous of myn~ in~ boston~ cald Willia~ Shirref and þer as  
he sete at his werke .  
stroke him . vpon the hede & in~ the body with a dagger & wondet him . sore . & Pulled him out of  
his hous & set him  
in~ preson~ w<sup>t</sup>out any cause resonabull or w<sup>t</sup>out writ or any oþer processe shewid vnto him & þ<sup>t</sup> me  
semes longes not for him  
to do bot as he sais he is endited . & as *your* gode lordship knawes well J and all my *seruantes* are  
in~ like wise bot & any  
man shuld haue done hit it longes other to the shirreff or to *your* baliff as J conceyve . and oþer  
cause he had non .  
to him as fer as J kan knawe . bot alonly for the malissiousnes / þ<sup>t</sup> he hath Vnto me . ne J kan think  
non oþer bot  
it is so and now . yistre nyght . my lord Welles come to boston~ w<sup>t</sup> iiij<sup>xx</sup> horses & <sup>[in~]</sup> þ<sup>e</sup> mornyng  
foloyng toke hym out  
of preson~ sayng afore all peple . fals thefe þ<sup>u</sup> shall be hanget & as mony of thy maistre men as may  
be goten  
as *your* *seruant* John~ Abbot kan report vnto *your* gode lordship & hath taken him away with him to  
Tatessall  
what to do w<sup>t</sup> him J kan not say bot as J suppose to haue him to lincoln@ Castell Wherefore J besech

*your* gode

lordship in~ þis mater to be my gode lord and at it please *your* gode lordship to write a+letter to the  
 Kepere of the Castell

of lincoln~ þ<sup>t</sup> it liked him to deliuer him out of preson~ Vndre a sufficient Seurety had for . him for  
 and thai~ may

kepe him . still be þis meyne pai~ may take all the *seruantes* þ<sup>t</sup> J haue . & so J may do agayn~ in~  
 like wise . And also .

as J am enfourmed w<sup>t</sup>out he be had out of preson in~ hast it will be right grevewis to him to heile of  
 his hurt

he is so sore streken~ and if þer be any *seruice* þ<sup>t</sup> þour gode lordship will comaund me to do . in~  
 any cuntre . plesid you

to send me word and it shal be done to my power w<sup>t</sup> the *grace* of god which haue you my right~  
 honorabull and

wurshipfull lord alway in~ his blessid Kopyng Writen~ at Kyme . Vpon~ wednesday next after our~  
 ladi~ day the

Assumpcion~ / <gap> Also plesie *your* gode lordship to wit after þis letter was made þer come a  
 man fro Tatessall into .

my fenne which ogh me gode will . and be-cause he wold not be holden enspeit<?> he speke w<sup>t</sup>  
 wemen which

were mylkand Kye . and bad þeme goo to a preest of myn~ to Dokdike . and bid him fast goo gif me  
 warnyng

how þ<sup>t</sup> my lord Wilughby my lord Cromwell and my lord welles Purposid þeme to set a sessions and  
 hang

þ<sup>e</sup> said Willia~ shirreff . & þai~ myght~ bryng þer entent abowte . & so . as J & *your* seruant John~  
 Abbot stode to-geder

þ<sup>e</sup> prest come & gaf me warnyng herof Which J trist for my worship *your* gode lordship wold not  
 shuld

happen for it were to me the grettest shame . þ<sup>t</sup> myght falle . bot & it plese *your* gode lordship to  
 write to

all *your seruantes* in~ þis sh cuntr~ . þat þai~ will be redy Vpon a day warnyng to come when J send  
 þeme .

word J trist to god þai~ shal not hang him agayn~ the lawe . bot J w<sup>t</sup> help of *your* gode lorship shall  
 be abull to let hit

By *your* seruant

Willia~ Tailboys