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Place: Dunkeld

From: John Stewart, 4th Earl of Atholl

To: Colin Campbell of Glenorchy

Address: To his traist cousing ye Lard of Glenwrquhay

Traist cousing efter maist hartlie commendatioun. I have sene zour writting send to ye Lard of Grantullie¹ and hes considerit ye sammy. and zour gud mynd be him vyerwaiss nor afoir. Quhairthrow I ondirstand zour disaise and bile trewlie be his narracion to be of sic maneir as he hes declarit to me at lenth. And as to ye halding of chargis of zow I sall do my gud will and dewite yairintill lik as at yis present. Althocht all maneir of man within my lewtenency be chargit werray scharplie to pass fordwart to our soverains lik as ze will heir of. Zit nochtwythstanding hawing consideracion of sic as ye Lard of Grantullie hes schawn me I will tak zou in my awin hand suay yat ze may remane at hame. Albeit I wald have bene glaid to have spokin with you and maid mirrie becauss nowis is gud quhilis amang ...st and beleiffis for zour gud consall in sic caiss as ze will heir of ...ll tymis. And suay committis zow to ye protectioun of God. From Dunkeld ye xv day of Merche 1565 zeirs. Be

[PS] Ze wil wit my commendatiounis to zour bedfallow and sen ze remane at hame I commit our vyfis barnis and ye rest to zow yat is ane agit freind to our returnyng. And gif ze mycht cum down and drink wyth me or my departing I wald be glaid yairof and ze salbe hartlie welcum. Ze vil adverteiss me gif ze thynk ye plaister I writ of onto zow wirkis weill.²

Zouris .. cuss[ing]

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¹ Grey Colin's letter of 14 March 1566 [83].

² The poultice which Atholl sent, [80].