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Place: 'The Baillie'

From: Archibald Campbell, 5th Earl of Argyll

To: Colin Campbell of Glenorchy

Address: To our traist cousing Colin Campbell of Glenvrquhay

Cousing efter maist hartlie commendatiounis. We resavit zour writting declaring ye Regentis Grace decess quhairof we hald knowlege of befoir. For we haiffing intelligens of his deidlie infirmite past with all diligens to haif getting spech of him bot we war frustrat of our purposse be his inlaik ye nycht befoir cuming yair. And quhowbeid in deid we haiff gret occasioun to lament ye ye(sic) loss of sa tendir ane frend being sa ferventlie affectionat towardis our weill and ye weill of our hous and freindis we can nocht bot patientlie abyde ye pleasour of God and attend ye best we may to our self and our freindis and cuntray seing in yair trubillous tymis divers thingis cumis by ye expectatioun of man. Be resone quhairof we haif ane assemble of our maist speciall freindis in Inveraray wpoun Fryday nixt to intercommone wpoun sik efferis as instantlie occurris and be ye formar respect quhairat giff it war possible zour presens war maist necessair and requisit. Bot persawing ye wyer gret besines quhairwith ze ar instantlie burthenet we think maist convenient yat ze direct sum speciall servant or frend quhome ze will credit to commone with ws to quhome we may frelie wttir our mynd quhilk we will nocht commit to wret. Or ellis advertis ws incontinent with ye boy agane and we sall send ane speciall frend of our awin to zow with our haill mynd instructit. Desyring zow to mak ws adverteisit of all thingis with ye nixt ze send to ye quhilk we referring farder with our hartlie commendatiounis to zour bedfallow. Committis zow to ye protectioun of God. Frome ye Baillie ye iij day of November 1572.

Zouris asswritly

Archibald Eryll

[PS] Giff ze mycht cum zour self wpoun Fryday
or Saterdag it war maist conwenient for our
purposs. Gif nocht lat ye wyer way be
sending ane freind serve.