My L. It hath been objected against me, that I should seek to get the most profit of the thing, from my L. of Lindsey, so when they pretend that he never made any such promise, and I know no man living, whose integrity and memory better is to be trusted. And for my own part, I think in no heart, neither of any such promise. For, I did not make the house first for that place, but by my own inclination, in general, that that place should be held by one, who did individually attend his person made choice of me, as I was when he enquired the convenience of it, could not be unwelcome, as being a part of his kingdom, and naturalized by the same, and without my assent, as by law. Since these hath risen another imputation, viz., my L. of Wrottesley should be forced to compound for the detention, so fear of ye kings displeasure, and whereas he would not go, and I was not unwilling; for at Hampton Court, my L. of Wrottesley and myself were of that business, and by L. of Ormond, as I thought somewhat large conditions, I told him, I was not so fond of the place, as to go unreasonable for it, but would rather expect its event, and when I should count my master's trust dignity enough. They way to the far from submitting my consent, as that after, and yet, I was negligent in my pursuit of the business. And as they can yet L. of the earl more because ye L. knows how far he, I have been bound to preserve the nobility here, rather than to invite the right of any, as in that business of the L. Montagu of Shrewsbury, and the Albemarles, both I was to my knowing of myself, and trusted to come by the profession of my office, by moving the house to make him a Baron, because I would not set fingers to sell, for my private ends, and as towards the nobility, so towards all men, may I justify myself, that I have the country, whose hands are of course of birth, and partly by my state can witness, how I sought rather to preserve than to invite, how by virtue of my power, and have been content rather to suffer most by a general abstraction, than to gain most by a general confusion. And to let me prosper in after times, as I have ever in all my ways, according to my judgment, I know that which was right, judged to preserve peace, between the king and his people, and ever to injure him, and the public good, and used my favor as much as I lay towards ye advancement of worthy men. But if ye consider of it, I have consented that when rumor goes out of ye town, that where rumor is left, it must still stand true, what matter any man, but when I was persuaded, or men mis-informed, I would begin ye L. (because many of these, particularly ye L. known best) to notify them, with wise paynes, that I will not.