
SUMMARY: The document below is an extract from a letter from Don Bernardino de Mendoza (d.1604) to King Philip II written on 9 October 1585 (30 September 1585 Old Style) . Mendoza states that Thomas (c.1544-1590), 4th Lord Paget, his brother Charles Paget (c.1546-1612), Thomas Throgmorton and Charles Arundel have all complained to him that the pensions granted them by King Philip almost a year earlier have not been paid, and that the arrears now amount to 3240 crowns. For the roles played by Charles Arundel and Lord Henry Howard in events involving Oxford in 1580/1 see TNA SP 15/27A/46, ff. 81-2 and other documents on this website, in particular the letters of the Spanish ambassador to England, Don Bernardino de Mendoza (d.1604). The translation below is taken from Hume, Martin, ed., *Calendar of Letters and State Papers relating to English Affairs*, Vol. III, 1580-1586, p. 550.

Begs for more money on account of need for obtaining intelligence from all parts of France, the country being so disturbed, and now that Don Antonio is in England news from there is worth more than its weight in gold.

Lord Paget, his brother Charles, Arundel and Thomas Throgmorton constantly beg me to pay them the pensions that your Majesty granted them, it being now nearly a year since Tassis conveyed your Majesty's message to them, and the amount due now reaches 3,240 crowns. I understand that Lord Paget, being dissatisfied with my reply, and with the hopes I hold out to him that your Majesty's grant will be duly fulfilled, has decided to go from Rome, where he has passed this summer, to salute your Majesty personally. Paris. 9th October 1585.