
SUMMARY: The letter below dated 11 July 1585 (1 July 1585 Old Style) written by King Philip II of Spain to Don Bernardino de Mendoza (d.1604) indicates that the King had bestowed pensions on Thomas (c.1544-1590), 4th Lord Paget and his brother, Charles Paget (c.1546-1612), and on Charles Arundel, and Thomas Throgmorton. Lord Paget and Charles Arundel had fled England in late December 1583 for fear of arrest, as mentioned in a letter from de Tassis to King Philip written on 22 December 1583. 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, pp. 540-1.

In margin: For Lord Paget and his brother, Charles, 150 crowns; idem for Charles Arundel, 80 crowns; Thomas Throgmorton, 40 crowns.

You are already aware that, having regard to the rank and parts of Lord Paget and his brother Charles, and considering that they are fugitives from their home and country for the sake of religion, I ordered Juan Bautista de Tassis in September last, 1584, to continue to pay these allowances, namely to Lord Paget 100 crowns a month, and 50 to his brother Charles. I understand that this has not been done, and they petition me to have the allowances duly paid. I have granted this, and now order you to have them paid from the day the grant was made, and that in future the same allowances are to be paid regularly until contrary orders come from me, and the sums should be included in your account of extraordinary expenditure, which with their receipts shall be a good discharge for you. I have given strict orders to this effect, and no difficulty shall be raised about crediting you with the amounts.