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723. [CROMWELL TO GARDINER.]

I have received your Lordship's letters by Mr. Wrythesley. I perceive from my kinsman the bearer, that you are desirous to hear news hence, but all that there is, is known to your friends, who are far more secret than I. **Today was read in the Higher House a Bill touching the annates of bishoprics**, but I do not know how it will succeed. Knowing that you were not properly furnished for your being there, I moved the King yesterday for money for the furniture of your purpose and for your return, saying that upon my own conjecture you were weary of being there. He answered [345] that you were not so weary of your being there, but he was as sorry, saying by these words expressly, "His absence is the lack of my right hand, for I am now so much pestered with business, and have nobody to rid ne depeche the same." Begs him to return shortly.

Draft, in Cromwell's hand, pp. 2. Endd. : A minute of my master's letter.

Memorandum in Cromwell's hand : To remember my Lady Anne's letters. William Locke standeth bound to Marten de la Sera, merchant of Tholouse, in the sum of 41*l.* 18*s.* 2*d.*