think you are either idle or els careles to performe yor priestlie and spirituall offices. Imbrace [?] not yor selves to the stewardshipp, weh is to temporall and to vnworthie a callinge for vor profession. I must tell vou playnlie that or unquiett people do reioyce in yor dissent, and their devotion will be withdrawn from you if you leave not these Innovations and endevour to live in vnitie. This strife against the laytie and yor newe devise, depressions and oppressions of the laymen yor fellow prisoners, will cause yor lay benefactors weh are all and yor only benefactors to contemne and forsake you. Good men will be unwilling to releeve any wch are overcome wth any contentious humor. Looze not an honor for an humor and enter not into any evill conceyte of old Douze a whose discretion, knowledge, conscience and circumspection is so well knowne here that to destayne [?] him is to discreditt yorselves. Pardon me: greef and care of vor wellfares doe vrge me to write in that manner vnto you. Give no scandall to or afflicted Church. peace and vnitie will for yr prefermt. Certamini ergo quæ pacis sunt et pax dei exultet in Cordibus vestris. Commendo me vestris precibus. 22 December.

Vr Servus G. B. A.

To the WW his very good ffrends M^r Barloo M^r
Bramsston M^r Hughes M^r J. Grene, M^r
Alabaster and the rest.^b

54. f. 155.

29. An original letter from Blackwell.

Feb. 3, 1602-3,

Gaudeo plurimum, quod Responsum mihi dedistis de Breui Apostolico vos velle facere in eo, sicut in cæteris omnibus, illud quod decet Catholicos Presbyteros. Et à me quoque hoc responsum

^a Can this be "Dowce a froward intelligencer," who, the Bishop of London suggests to Cecil, should be transferred with other prisoners to Framlingham, July 6, 1602? (Cal. S. P. Dom. Eliz.)

b Barlow, Bramston and Grene were supporters of Father Weston, and the opponents of Bagshaw, in the Wisbech stirs.

feretis, quod invenietis me paratum et oppetitum [?] ad illud quod personæ Catholici Archipresbyteri sit aptum et consentaneum. Sed ut hoc summatim, sic illud particulatim scire certum velim, vtrùm monita omnia, præscripta et proposita Suæ Sanctitatis in Breui suo Apostolico contenta libenti, syncera, et obedienti voluntate secuturi, et per Dei gratiam in moribus vestris expressuri sitis. Si præsto fueritis antecedentibus, fratres [?], mei affectus et effectus erga vos planissimum et plenissimum sensum accipietis. Restat, ut ex literis vestris intelligam an alij Appellantes etiam in vos commissionem aliquam suam respondendi pro ipsis et ipsorum nomine procurationem transfuderint. Valete, et renouamini spiritu mentis vestræ vt potiora probetis.

3° Februarij 1602 Vester seruus in Christo Georgius Blakwellus Archipresbyter.

Endorsement:

To his verie Loving frends M^r Hebborne, M^r Clerck and M^r Collington geve these.

30. Three Letters from Dr. Percy at Rome to friends at Paris.

54, f. 370.

I.

April, 1603.

Right Woorshipp.

I wold not let passe the occasion, offered by or honorable friend mons' Acaria, but to accknowledge by hym the receyt off three off yurs, the first dated the 24 of februarie, the second havinge no dait, the third writ the 10 off marche: gevinge ywe harte thanks for yur advises off or frends arrived in England, and off ther negotiations ther, whereoff I have at large herd by my Lord Embassader . . . who is [fu]ll the most redye and most willinge to asist and to do all honorable offices hear in this court, yea more diligent and cairfull then ywe or they at home wold think. to whom, howe all