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Good m^r Helgath, a good man if not his friendship, yet
 his equity, concerning the little Conyff. Tell me not paid
 two rents for one year: in good time, I had paid for
 one selfe year's rent, before that you or any other man in the
 world acquainted mee wth any thing of any rent:
 it is an unreasonable possession of it. to possess it from
 xvijth to above xlvth year, when I took it, it is well
 known, that no man would give it an acre for it, I
 must pay for my own rent bestowed on it. I am well con-
 vinced to do it for the time to come, because therefore I will
 buy my quiett occupying of my own glebe lands
 beyond it. if that were not, I would not give you a man's
 for the present. or if it will please you to allow me
 a waile, (for so it I cannot) I will not so gratefully do you
 it. I am not to word at the Xth or at the Bedgrave for the
 matter, I must not I will not, longer I leave it as
 your power is. I praise you therefore with me up to
 far as I please in it. If you like me selfe beholden
 to you for my quiett in it. So I commend you to god, wth
 respect you. 24 October 1599.

Y^r poore friend
 Humphrey Fowler

Recd my voice good friend
no short of the
steward at Helms
yours truly

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