

1519. Sigismundus primus rex Polo:
nia, Ferdinando duci Austria.

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Serenissime princeps et domine affinis
noster charissime. Habuimus literas ve:
stra serenitatis, quibus gratulatur nobis de
nostra electione ad societatem Aurei Velle:
nis, quam nos eo alacriori animo susce:
pimus, quo nobis nihil magis in votis
est, quam ut eam amicitiam et neces:
situdinem, que mutuo nobis interadit, con:
iunctiorem reddamus. Et proinde magnas
habemus et agimus gratias vestra vere:
nitati de hac gratulatione ex ipsa susce:
ptione nostra in eandem societatem Aurei
Vellenis, pro qua conservanda et augenda
arctiusque retinenda, quidquid prestare po:
teimus, id quam libentissime pro virili
nostra faciemus. Commendamus vestra vere:
nitati etc: 1519.

The first part of the paper is a list of names and titles, including
 John Smith, Esq. Secretary of the Board of Trade
 and the names of several other officials. The list is followed by a
 series of paragraphs of text, which appear to be a report or a
 set of instructions. The handwriting is in an old cursive style, and the
 paper shows signs of age, including some staining and discoloration.