



# Directory of Medical Licenses

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## Richard Browne

Of Trowbridge

Letters testimonial and petition from parishioners of Trowbridge certifying that Browne, a parishioner, has 'practised physic and chirurgery for some years past and hath thereby gained very good knowledge and experience in the said science and art, and hath done several great cures in our said parish and in places adjacent, and is a very serviceable person both to our parish and county and especially to the poor; and as we humbly conceive ought to be encouraged in his said practice for the good of this county and other countys adjacent', they request 'a license whereby he may be authoriz'd to use and practice the said science of physic and art of chirurgery in any place within his Graces province of Canterbury without being hindred or molested by any person or persons whatsoever', signed by Robert Kelway, the vicar, churchwardens, overseers, constables, and others, including John Stivens, licensed doctor and surgeon, 12 March 1712; countersigned by Thomas Payne surgeon, who examined him is St, Clement Danes, Middx., and 'found him well sciled in the art of surgery', 11 April 1712. Letters testimonial, after examination, signed by Roger Tocketts, surgeon and citizen of London, Roger Medcafe, surgeon and liveryman, 12 April 1712, with deposition of Thomas Packer of Clifford's Inn, gent., that he saw the above subscribe their names, sworn before John Bettsworth, vicar general, annotated with fiat of the latter, 17 April 1712: VX 1A/10/448/1-2. Subscription, 17 April 1712: VG 1/6, f.260v. Licensed to practise surgery in the province of Canterbury, 17 April 1712: Tenison 2, f.293

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