

**Copy (or draft) of commission, 1657, from Charles II to John Knight,
appointing him Surgeon General**

Publication/Creation

17th Century

Persistent URL

<https://wellcomecollection.org/works/p5jfq7r>

License and attribution

You have permission to make copies of this work under a Creative Commons, Attribution, Non-commercial license.

Non-commercial use includes private study, academic research, teaching, and other activities that are not primarily intended for, or directed towards, commercial advantage or private monetary compensation. See the Legal Code for further information.

Image source should be attributed as specified in the full catalogue record. If no source is given the image should be attributed to Wellcome Collection.



Wellcome Collection
183 Euston Road
London NW1 2BE UK
T +44 (0)20 7611 8722
E library@wellcomecollection.org
<https://wellcomecollection.org>

No 11 Loar knight

Charles by the grace of God King of England Scotland
 France and Ireland Defender of the faith etc To
 our trust and Well loved Servant John Knight one
 of our Chirurgeons in ordinary greeting. Whereas
~~has been the ancient practice~~ ⁱⁿ ~~to have any Armes or~~
~~forces have been raised~~ ^{any of our} ~~in any of our~~
 Kingdoms of England ~~by our~~ ^{our} ~~Progenitors~~
 and Predecessors ~~for the~~ ^{the} ~~said~~ ^{said} ~~and~~
 Authority of providency ~~to~~ ^{to} ~~the~~ ^{the} ~~Number~~ ^{Number} ~~of~~
 all Chirurgeons for the necessary service of our
 forces have been committed to persons able in that
 profession and most commonly to one or more of
 the Chirurgeons in ordinary attending our said
 Royall progenitors and predecessors. Now you
 therefore that wee desiring Experience Trust
 and Confidence ⁱⁿ ~~of~~ ^{of} ~~ability~~ ^{of} ~~in~~ ⁱⁿ ~~the~~ ^{the} ~~said~~ ^{the} ~~profession~~ ^{profession} ~~and~~ ^{and} ~~our~~ ^{our} ~~her~~ ^{her} ~~by~~ ^{by} ~~our~~ ^{our} ~~own~~ ^{own} ~~Constitution~~ ^{Constitution} ~~and~~ ^{and} ~~approve~~ ^{approve} ~~you~~ ^{you} ~~our~~ ^{our} ~~said~~ ^{said} ~~John~~ ^{John} ~~Knight~~ ^{Knight} ~~to~~ ^{to} ~~be~~ ^{be} ~~our~~ ^{our} ~~chief~~ ^{chief} ~~Chirurgeon~~ ^{Chirurgeon} ~~and~~ ^{and} ~~Chirurgeon~~ ^{Chirurgeon} ~~Generall~~ ^{Generall} ~~of~~ ^{of} ~~our~~ ^{of} ~~all~~ ^{of} ~~our~~ ^{of} ~~forces~~ ^{of} ~~the~~ ^{of} ~~said~~ ^{of} ~~forces~~ ^{of} ~~that~~ ^{of} ~~we~~ ^{of} ~~alway~~ ^{of} ~~have~~ ^{of} ~~or~~ ^{of} ~~shall~~ ^{of} ~~hereafter~~ ^{of} ~~buy~~ ^{of} ~~on~~ ^{of} ~~the~~ ^{of} ~~part~~ ^{of} ~~of~~ ^{of} ~~the~~ ^{of} ~~said~~ ^{of} ~~forces~~ ^{of} ~~or~~ ^{of} ~~otherwise~~ ^{of} ~~And~~ ^{of} ~~we~~ ^{of} ~~rely~~ ^{of} ~~upon~~ ^{of} ~~your~~ ^{of} ~~good~~ ^{of} ~~and~~ ^{of} ~~our~~ ^{of} ~~authoritie~~ ^{of} ~~to~~ ^{of} ~~examine~~ ^{of} ~~the~~ ^{of} ~~proficiency~~ ^{of} ~~of~~ ^{of} ~~all~~ ^{of} ~~our~~ ^{of} ~~said~~ ^{of} ~~Chirurgeons~~ ^{of} ~~as~~ ^{of} ~~are~~ ^{of} ~~already~~ ^{of} ~~in~~ ^{of} ~~the~~ ^{of} ~~said~~ ^{of} ~~particular~~ ^{of} ~~right~~ ^{of} ~~and~~ ^{of} ~~if~~ ^{of} ~~you~~ ^{of} ~~find~~ ^{of} ~~any~~ ^{of} ~~of~~ ^{of} ~~them~~ ^{of} ~~incapable~~ ^{of} ~~or~~ ^{of} ~~ought~~ ^{of} ~~for~~ ^{of} ~~this~~ ^{of} ~~employ~~ ^{of} ~~that~~ ^{of} ~~you~~ ^{of} ~~recomm~~ ^{of} ~~and~~ ^{of} ~~some~~ ^{of} ~~other~~ ^{of} ~~fit~~ ^{of} ~~persons~~ ^{of} ~~to~~ ^{of} ~~be~~ ^{of} ~~employed~~ ^{of} ~~in~~ ^{of} ~~the~~ ^{of} ~~said~~ ^{of} ~~forces~~ ^{of}

* being our saying that only Chirurgeons in new addition of force

To page 2. No 11. copy of document

And likewise they give you full power to want
a Chirurgion that in due order to provide a full
provision of that profession to salute the souls to
the said their upon all occasions none of us ought
to hinder. Whatsoever way we are bounden to provide
as the said. And we further hereby give
you full power to give and to give directions
as you may see full from time to time from
us. We also give full power to give directions
of all other necessaries instruments and other things
as shall be proper and sufficient for all our said
and the use of our Chirurgion of our reputation
right taking an account from every of them
of the several thereof. Hereby charging
and commanding all and every Chirurgion of our
force to live and abide in conformity with you
and all other relating to the profession of Chirurgion
and from time to time to other persons and create
full authority and jurisdiction as you may or
shall see them or any of them for the good of
our service. We also give full power to all of
us to receive and receive all offices and others
in the said profession of the power and authority
and have full power to give you full power of full
and complete full power to give and create all full power
our authority as you may or shall from time to time
receive from us our most dear and most entirely

Our Lord Brother ^{James} Duke of York our eldest
General or other superior officer or officer of
our forces or Armies, in all things to you and
ye both as our of our and full power to create
Chirurgion and Chirurgion of full power of full
appointed and full power of full power
Monday at 10 o'clock in the
day of November in the
Prague to the last

To the said James Duke of York

Copy of Tompson to
Mr Knight by C. P. 1762
Chewston to the Cheung
General

To the p. 2. 1762. copy of Tompson to
C. P.