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A licence to practise
Surgery granted to
Christopher Beane

Reverendissimi Viri

To all Christian people to whome these
presente shall come John by Gods provident Archbishop of Cantuarbie Primate and
metropolitane of all England sende greeting in our Lord God everlastinge Wher
as for the avoidance of many grievous accidents daily happeninge to many of his Ma-
jesties lovinge subiecte by the unskillfull practizers of surgerye: It was providently
prouided by a speciall acte of Parliament made for the reformation thereof in
the thirde yeere of the reigne of our late soveraigne Lord of famous memorie
Kinge Henrie the eight, That it should not bee lawfull for anye person within
this Realme of England to use or exercise the science or faculty of surgerye, except
he were firste examined approued and admitted accordinge to the tenor of the saide
Statute. And wherunto we have receaved sufficient testmouthe from John Leycester
John Burgis Thomas Thorney and Robert Johnson masters or gouernours of the
mysterie and Comynaltie of Barbers and Surgeons of the Citie of London of the
due examination of Christopher Beane of Gressham in the Countie of Norffolke within
the Diocesse of Norwich and our Prouince of Cantuarbie a free brother of the saide
mysterie and Comynaltie by Richard Wood, William Gayle, John Fzard and John
Worte heretofore approued and admitted to use and exercise the saide facultie. And
wherunto also we Edward Stanhope Doctor of the Ciuill Lawe our Chambrler
callinge to him the foresaide Richard Wood, William Gayle, John Fzard and
John Worte accordinge to the direction of the foresaide Statute, and thereupon
examininge the saide Christopher Beane concerninge his skill and practise in the
saide mysterie, and findinge by the opinion of the saide Richard Wood, William Gayle,
John Fzard and John Worte, that the saide Christopher Beane is a skillfull
and verie sufficient Surgeon and a meete man to use and exercise that mysterie.
Knowe we therefore that wee John Archbishop of Cantuarbie aforesaide, do nowe
by theise presents approue the saide Christopher Beane to bee an habile and suffi-
cient Surgeon: And further in consideration of the promisses, and that the saide
Christopher Beane is firste solemnly sworn before the saide wee Doctor Stan-
hope our Chambrler to the supremacie of the Queene most excellent in Christe
doe by theise presents admitt and licence the saide Christopher Beane to use
and exercise the saide mysterie of Surgerye, so farre forth as by the lawes and
Statutes of this Realme wee may lawfullie admitt anye, in anye place in and thro-
ough the Diocesse of Norwich, Erie, Lincoln and Northborough: And also wee will
this our Licence to endure his good behauiour and our pleasure and not otherwise. In-
witness whereof wee have caused this our Seale of our Office of principall Registry
to bee sett to theise presents. Dated the sixth daie of October in the yeere of our Lord
God one thousand five hundred and nintie. And in the Seuen hundredth yeere of our
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