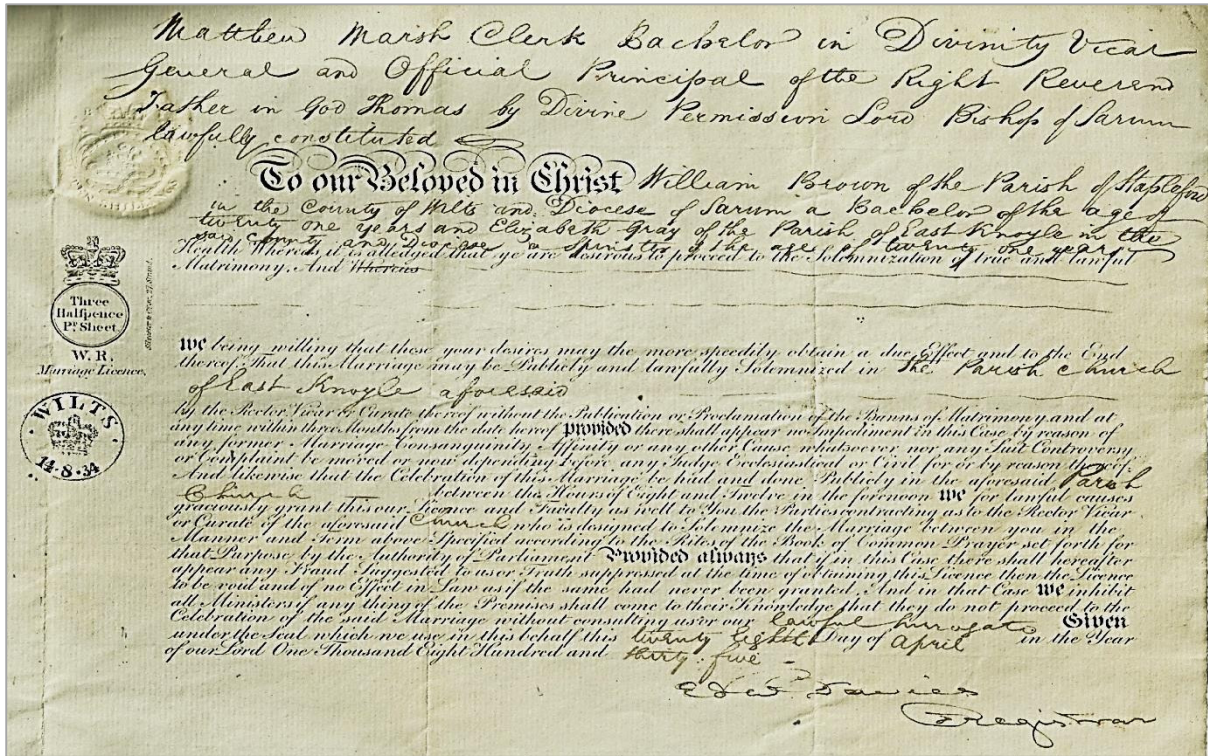


Marriage Licence - Brown to Gray 1835



Matthew Parish Clerk Bachelor in Divinity Vicar General and Official Principal of the Right Reverend Father in God Thomas by Divine Permission Lord Bishop of Sarum lawfully constituted

**To our Beloved in Christ** William Brown of the Parish of Stapleford in the County of Wilts and Diocese of Sarum a Bachelor of the age of twenty one years and Elizabeth Gray of the Parish of East Knoyle in the said County and Diocese a Spinster of the age of twenty one years

Health Whereas it is alledged that ye are desirous to proceed to the Solemnization of true and lawful Matrimony and ~~whereas~~  
**we** being willing that these your desires may the more speedily obtain a due Effect and to the End thereof that this Marriage may be Publicly and lawfully Solemnized in *the Parish church of East Knoyle aforesaid* by the Rector Vicar or Curate thereof without the Publication or Proclamation of the Banns of Matrimony and at any time within three Months from the date hereof **provided** there shall appear no impediment in this Case by reason of any former Marriage Consanguinity Affinity or any other Cause whatsoever nor any Just Controversy or Complaint be moved or now depending before any Judge Ecclesiastical or Civil for or by reason thereof and likewise that the Celebration of this Marriage be had and done Publicly in the aforesaid *Parish Church* between the Hours of Eight and Twelve in the forenoon **we** for lawful causes graciously grant this our Licence and Faculty as well to You the Parties contracting as to the Rector Vicar or Curate of the aforesaid *church* who is designed to Solemnize the Marriage between you in the Manner and Form above Specified according to the Rites of the Book of Common Prayer set forth for that Purpose by the Authority of Parliament **provided always** that if in this Case there shall hereafter appear any Fraud Suggested to us or Truth suppressed at the time of obtaining this Licence then the Licence to be void and of no Effect in Law as if the same had never been granted. And in that Case **we** inhibit all Ministers if any thing of the Promises shall come to their Knowledge that they do not proceed to the Celebration of the said Marriage without consulting us or our *lawful surrogate* **Given** under the Seal which we use in this behalf this *twenty eighth* day of *April* in the Year of our Lord One Thousand Eight Hundred and *thirty five*.  
Edward Davies, Registrar

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The marriage between William Brown and Elizabeth Gray took place at St Mary's East Knoyle 7 May 1835  
With many thanks to Chris Brown in Somerset for sharing this much treasured licence