

**Letter from Thomas Browne, overseer of the house of correction,
Walsingham, to Nathaniel Bacon, Stiffkey, 1618 June 15: autograph
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Right worll
yt may please yo^w to vnderstand herby that we Rhd
the bodye of Iohn Smythe in to o^r howse of Correcyon
from the Ioale of Norw^{ch}. as by the warrent
I doe herwth send vnto yo^r wo^r, maye apere.
Who we fynd to be a pore weake Sicke and ympotent
Creator. no waye able to labor, therby to releve him
Sellfe and much fyter yt is that he wer Comforted
Then Chastised. I Thought good therfore to
Commēd his miserable and lamentable estat to
y^r worships wisdom and Compassyon: that yf
yo^w Shall So please he maye be discharged
And Set at lybbertie. Thus hvmbly Takinge my
Leave and Rest. y^r worships to be Command

Walsinghā the
15^o Iune 1618 /
Tho Browne overseer of
the howse of Correcion in
Walsinghā Ple

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To the Right wor^{ll} S^r
Nathaniell Bacon
Knight at his house
Stifkey ths dd

Tho Browne