1355.

April 10.

Presentation of John de Clone to the church of All Saints, North-strete, York, in the king's gift by reason of the priory of the Holy Trinity, York, being in his hands on account of the war with France.

May 2.

Whereas William de la Pole, the elder, after the passage of the king beyond seas in the time when the king made stay at Antwerp in Brabant, learning that the business for which the king made that passage had been perilously retarded by want of money, came to the king and made and procured to be made for him such help that by it his honour, which had been exposed to great depression, was saved, God be praised! and afterwards, continuing his help he made great payments for the king, involving himself on that account in obligations, which if he had not done the king could not have satisfied his confederates and the expenses and wages of the lieges with him in Brabant, nay his progress would have been stayed to his perpetual disgrace: and when, by his aid, the king came into Hainault near the march of France, but was unable to advance without great quantity of money, whereof he had none, and so it was feared that his progress was again irretrievably stayed, the said William, exposing for him himself and all that he had, found money for his progress, rescuing him out of incalculable peril at that time; in consideration whereof the king decorated him with the belt of knighthood, enjoining on him to have the estate and honour of a banneret: and, in order that the said William and his heirs should better support the same, the king by divers charters and letters patent granted to them the manor of Brustwyk and 500 marks or rent yearly out of the customs of the port of Kyngeston upon Hull; and because his subsidy was made for recovery of the king's hereditary rights in the realm of France, the king by the same charters and letters promised that, if he recovered these, he would assign to William and his heirs land and rent, to the value of 1000 marks yearly out of lands and rents so recovered. The said William has now surrendered the charters and letters before the king and council and released by a writing all right in the said manor and rent out of the customs, praying the king to secure by letters patent what he had promised him in the realm of France, and the king assenting to his petition grants that when he recover his hereditary rights he will assign to the said William and his heirs lands so recovered to the value of 1000 marks yearly.

By K.

May 5.

Pardon to Geoffrey Cromp of 28l. 6s. 10d. of arrears of the farm due to the king for lands in the town of Bree in Ireland lately leased to him by the king for a term now past.

By K.

May 1.

Protection for John Fisshe, merchant of the town of Rosse in Ireland, coming with goods and merchandise to England and elsewhere in the king's power, trading there and returning to Ireland; that he be not attached or distrained in his person or goods for debts of other merchants or other debts, whereof he is not debtor or pledge, or for contracts, covenants or trespasses of others.

By K.

May 6.

Licence, for 13s. 4d. to be paid to the king by John de Derby, clerk, and John de Chikwell of London, for Walter de Walcote, knight, and Thomas de Walcote, clerk, to enfeoff them of the advowson of the church of Hempstede by Ingham, held in chief.

And the 13s. 4d. have been paid in the hanaper.