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April 22. Guildford.

Inspeximus of (1) letters patent, dated 24 March, 6 Edward III., being a licence for Richard de Emeldon to alienate in mortmain land and rent to found a chantry in the church of St. Nicholas, Newcastle-upon-Tyne, and (2) ordinance of Richard, bishop of Durham, dated London, 22 March, 1335, reciting that in a petition of William de Emeldon, rector of the church of Bothale, and John de Denton, burgess of Newcastle-upon-Tyne, executors of the will of Richard de Emeldon, late mayor of that town, it was contained that he the said Richard in his lifetime being desirous that there should be a perpetual chantry in the church of St. Nicholas, Newcastle-upon-Tyne, for the souls of him, his father, mother, brothers and sisters, Sampson le Cotiller, Agnes his wife and Alice and Isabella successively wives of the said Richard, with the consent of all parties interested bequeathed land and rent (as in the letters patent above), such rent issuing of lands held of him by John de Bretteyll and Richard de Dalton in Newcastle-upon-Tyne, and by John Cholle in Pampeden in Newcastle-upon-Tyne, to be assigned in frank almoine to Nicholas de Dalton, priest, whom he proposed to make keeper of such chantry, that the executors, being anxious to fulfil the pious intention of the testator herein, have submitted themselves entirely to the will of the bishop desiring him to order such chantry and everything connected therewith; and that he with the consent of Master John de Hirlawe, perpetual vicar of the church of St. Nicholas, and others interested decrees as follows. There shall be a perpetual chantry at the altar of St. John the Baptist and St. John the Apostle and Evangelist in the said church served by two priests saying masses daily for the souls of the said Richard and the others and of the faithful departed, one to be and be called perpetual keeper of the said altar or chantry, that the said Nicholas de Dalton is to have the custody for life, bearing the charges detailed below, and that after his death or removal the mayor of Newcastle-upon-Tyne with the advice of the brethren of the gild of that town shall within one month present to the bishop, or, if the see be void, to the prior and convent of Durham, a fit priest to be keeper of the chantry, otherwise it shall devolve on the bishop or the prior and convent as above to present, and so for ever; that Nicholas de Dalton and his successors in the chantry shall have free administration of the said lands and rents bequeathed to the chantry and of all other possessions thereof, but there shall be also a temporary priest to be called the second priest. Further, the bishop wills to fulfil the wish of the testator that Robert de Abberwyk shall be such second priest for life, receiving yearly from the keeper for victuals and necessaries 100s., that after his death the second priest shall be appointed by the keeper, who shall have power to remove him and shall have yearly 6 marks only for his victuals: the keeper shall bear all necessary charges for books, vestments, lights, bread and wine, &c., and keep all properties of the chantry in good state; in conclusion the bishop prescribes the services and masses to be celebrated and makes provision for the maintenance of order in the chantry, and the safe-keeping of all that belongs to it and defines the relative positions of the priests and the rector or vicar of the said church: and confirmation of the foregoing in Nicholas de Dalton, now keeper, and the priests of the chantry in frank almoine, although the lands and rents are said to be held in chief. By p.s.

May 12. Windsor.

Exemption for life of John Foleville of Assheby from being put on assizes, juries or recognisances, and from appointments as sheriff, mayor, coroner or other bailiff or minister of the king against his will. By p.s.

May 10. Windsor.

Licence for the alienation in mortmain by John de Pulteneye, citizen of London, of a messuage in the parish of St. Laurence in Candelwykstret, London, to the master or warden and chaplains of the chapel lately built by him in honour of the feast of Corpus Christi and St. John the Baptist, to celebrate divine service for the good estate of him and Margaret his wife in