April 15. The king's merchants, Hertwin de Bek and his fellows, merchants of Almain, have made petition that, whereas they lent the king while he was beyond the seas divers sums of money, and he assigned to them all the customs and subsidies in the ports of the realm until they should be satisfied of the said money, as appears in an indenture between the king and council of the one part and the said merchants of the other part, he will be pleased to grant that they may cause to be bought within the realm and sent beyond the seas 400 sacks of old wool, to wit 100 sacks from the port of London, 200 sacks from the port of Boston and 100 sacks from the port of Kyngeston-upon-Hull, on payment for his use on each sack of 40s. for custom and subsidy, and he, in consideration of the large sums lent by them in his necessity, has granted their petition.

By K. & C.

June 15. Pardon, at the request of the king's kinsman Henry, earl of Derby, to the prior of Tuttebury, whose priory is of the patronage of the earl of Lancaster, as is said, and who in these days is very grievously depressed by poverty, as the earl of Derby has testified before the king, of 40 marks of arrears of the farm of the priory since the priory has been in the king's hands on account of the war with Philip de Valois.

By p.s.

June 20. Grant, for life, to William de Bristoil of such sustenance out of the king's alms in the House of Converts in the suburb of London as John de Norhampop, deceased, had, to wit the chamber and garden which the latter held there, 14d. a day at the exchequer, as others receive who have such estate there of the king's grant, and such other portions as the said John had in the house.

By p.s.

June 19. Exemption, for life, at the request of Thomas de Evesham, king's clerk, of Robert Fitz Hugh of Kilkenny in Ireland from being put on assizes, juries or recognisances, and from appointment as mayor, sheriff, coroner, escheator or other bailiff or minister of the king in Ireland, against his will.

By p.s.

June 28. Exemplification, under the seal now in use, of letters patent, dated 7 November, 1 Edward III, appointing Adam de Osgoteby, king's clerk, to the custody of the House of Converts, London, during pleasure.

June 27. Reginald de Biskeleye, staying beyond the seas, has letters nominating Roger de Donewych and William de Mattesdon as his attorneys in England for one year.

Oliver de Ingham received the attorneys as has been testified to the chancellor by his letters.

July 1. Appointment by Alexander de Norton to the office of controller of the custom of wines, wools, hides and wool-fells as well as of the custom of 3d. in the pound and other petty customs and prests due to the king by merchants and others in the port of Boston, during pleasure, on condition that he write his rolls with his own hands and execute the office in person. One part of the cocket seal is to remain in his custody so long as he hold the office.

Mandate to John de Feriby for livery to him of the part of the cocket seal and all other things pertaining to the office, which are in his custody.

June 28. Pardon to Robert son of Richard Gille of Bentham of his outlawry in the county of Southampton for non-appearance before the justices of