Oct. 15. Exemplification under the seal now in use of letters patent, dated August, 5 Edward III, in favour of Benedict de Normanton.

[Calendar of the Patent Rolls, 5 Edward III, p. 159, last Entry.]

Oct. 18. Whereas, of late, among other assignments to the king's brother, the duke of Gueldres, in satisfaction as well of debts wherein the King and he with others were bound to Simon de Hale as of debts of the king to him, there was an assignment to him of 330 sacks of wool in the county of Kent, of the value of 3,960 marks of the money current at Bruges in Flanders between merchants, at a price 12 marks of such money for each sack, which the collectors and receivers of the king's wool in that county were commanded to deliver to him and his attorneys, and the said attorneys for certain impediments intervening cannot obtain the said wool, the king in compensation for those 330 sacks, with the assent of Jordan de Shepeye of Coventre and Ralph Burgess of Melton Mowbray, merchants, to whom he has sold the wool granted to him in the county of Buckingham, has assigned to the duke 169 1/2 sacks, 1 pound and 3 quarterons of wool of the said county beyond the 200 sacks previously assigned to him there, amounting to 1,695 1/2 marks of the said money, to wit each sack of the price of 10 marks of that money, so that he shall receive the same by himself or his attorneys out of the first wool of the better sort in that county after the same weight as the wool is received for the king's use by, by the hands of the receivers of such wool, as of the value of 1,395 1/2 marks of the said 1,695 1/2 marks in part compensation for the said 330 sacks of wool of the county of Kent, and the balance of 300 marks of the price shall be paid to the merchants aforesaid in full satisfaction of some debts wherein the king is bound to them, and they shall surrender any letters, bills or other memoranda they may have of such debt of 300 marks to the king's receiver at Bruges for his discharge. He has further assigned to the duke, in full satisfaction of the 330 sacks, 1,244 marks of the said money out of the proceeds of the sale of his wool in the county of Lincoln, to be received by the hands of the king's merchants, Henry Goldbere, Walter de Kelstern, William de Luterington, John Raudman and John de Luterington, to whom the king has sold his wool of that county, to wit 102 marks each of 124 1/2 sacks of wool which the king would have received if the assignment to the duke had not been made, provided always that the said merchants find good security for payment wherewith the duke or his attorneys shall be content within two days after these letters patent have been inspected at Lincoln and shewn to any of the merchants or their attorneys, failing which the duke by himself or his attorneys shall have 93 sacks, 91/2 stones, 51 pounds of the wool so sold to them as aforesaid, to wit each sack for the price of 20 marks in full satisfaction of the 330 sacks from the county of Kent, and in that case the merchants shall be allowed 40s. on each sack of the 93 sacks, 9 1/2 stones, 51 pounds in part satisfaction of sums due to them by the king, while the king promises to pay any charges and expenses he would have had to pay if the wool had remained with the merchants on condition that the duke's attorneys take the wool from the ports of shipment beyond the seas at his charges but at the king's risk and pay 1 mark of custom on each sack to the merchants of Almain to whom the king has granted his customs.

By C.

Oct. 15. Licence for the alienation in mortmain by Master William de Barneby, Westminster, canon of the church of St. Mary, Suthewell, and Roger de Normanton,