
To the prior and convent of Dunstaple. Whereas the king lately directed his prayers to them for the Friars Preachers, whom the king holds in special devotion as men of the gospel (viros evangelicos) and ministers of the Most High King, that they would permit the said friars without impeachment or any difficulty on their part, to acquire in the town of Dunstaple, according to the custom of the said order, a competent area to dwell in, build houses, and there and in the adjoining country procure the fruit of souls; and whereas they have replied that they would willingly do this if they had the king’s letters of ratification; the king, noting their reverence for his prayers, and commending their charity in the Lord shewn to the said friars and seconding the pious business of the friars with all possible favour, not only ratifies their said grant as to the area had and to be had, but requests them to hold the said friars and their business as recommended to them for their fuller counsel, favour and aid.


Pardon, at the instance of Master John de Raveningham, arch-deacon of Huntendon, to John de Codeham for the death of John le Bere and of any consequent outlawry for the same, as it appears by inquisition made by William de Stowe, sometime sheriff of Cambridge, that he is not guilty thereof.

Simple protection, until Michaelmas, for Ralph de Normanvill gone to Santiago.

The like, for five years, for the warden of the leper hospital of Macelefeld.


Letters for the abbot of Clerevaus, staying beyond seas, at the instance of Giles de Clerevaus, his monk, nominating the said Giles his attorney to sue and defend for the abbot and the house in all pleas in the courts of the king and others, for five years from the close of Easter.

April 18. Merton.

Ratification of a transfer by William de Valers to John de la Ryvere of Wymundeford of a grant to him and his heirs of a house in Gipeswic sometime of Abraham son of Mosseus, Jew, which came to the king’s hands as his escheat by the death of the said Jew.

Simple protection with clause rogamus, for five years, for the lepers of St. Giles, Wycumbe.

The like for the warden and brethren of the hospital of lepers of Dunstable.

Simple protection, for one year from Midsummer, for William de Ambly and Walter de Dunheved, going at once on the king’s service to Ireland.

May 1. Westminster.

Protection with clause, at the instance of the countess of Leicester, for one year for Hawise de Wrtham.


Commitment, during pleasure, to William de Axemuth, king’s clerk, of all the lands held in England of the abbot of Caen, so that he answer for the same at the exchequer; directed to the tenants.

Appointment, during pleasure, of Henry de Malo Lacu, king’s clerk, to be guardian of the priory of Kenilewrth, void by the cession of David, sometime prior thereof; with mandate to the tenants to be intendant to him.