1408.
hereditary right and as parcel of the crown time out of mind have been in possession of their prizes of wine in all ports of the realm, viz. from each ship laden with wines of denizens not franchised putting in to any port 2 tuns or 4 pipes from every 20 tuns of wine or more and 1 tun or 2 pipes from every ship with 10 tuns or more to the number of 20 tuns, and the king and his predecessors have been faithfully paid these prizes in all ports except the port of Kyngeston on Hall, in which the merchants of the same and of the city of York and the adjoining parts having wines coming in daily refuse to let the prize be taken except in tuns only and scheming to defraud the king load their ships for the most part with pipes and put in each ship four or five tuns of mixed and weak wine, one tun of which has been found to be of less value than a pipe of the remaining wine, so that the butler or his lieutenant can have no choice except from these four or five tuns.

The like to the same in the port of Bristol, in which the merchants and others having wines assert that no prize is due to the king from any ship putting into the port unless it is loaded with 30 tuns at least.

March 5.
Westminster.

Grant, with the assent of the council, to Richard Whityngton, who has lent the king 1000l. for the payment of the wages of the town of Calais, of which the king has repaid 100l. to him, and who has surrendered to the treasurer an obligation by which the lords of the council are bound to him in the said sum of 1000l. for the king, that he may retain the following sums from the money reserved to the king of the subsidy of wool, hides and wool-fells shipped by him to foreign parts, viz. 300l. in the port of London, 150l. in the port of Southampton and 450l. in the port of Chichester.

Mandates in pursuance to the collectors.

MEMBRANE 17.

1407.
Dec. 21.
Westminster.

Grant to Robert Hehe of the prebend of Lampeter and Boghrede in the collegiate church of Abersewilly, in the diocese of St. Davids, in the king's gift by reason of the temporalities of the bishopric of St. Davids being in his hands.

Mandate in pursuance to the guardian of the spirituality of the bishopric, the see being vacant.

Mandate in pursuance to the precentor and chapter.

Dec. 4.
Gloucester.

Grant for life to the king's esquire Simon Flete of the office of keeper of the king's privy wardrobe within the Tower of London with the due fees and rewards.

By p.s.

1408.
Jan. 11.
Westminster.

Licence for Thomas de Quenchy, Thomas Maundevyle and William Almanhery, clerk, to grant in mortmain two messuages and two tofts in Leycester and the suburbs of the same, held of the king as of the honour of Leycester, worth 33s. yearly, as appears by an inquisition taken by William Palmer, late escheator in the said county (sic), to the dean and canons of the collegiate church of St. Mary, Leycester, to hold to the value of 10s. yearly in part satisfaction of a licence by letters patent of Richard II.

1407.
Dec. 5.
Gloucester.

Grant, with the assent of the council, to the abbot and convent of Brunne of the alien priory of Willesford, co. Lincoln, with all lands, rents, services, knights' fees, advowsons, pensions, portions and other possessions and all profits and commodities during the war with France: