Nov. 28. Westminster. Inspectimus and confirmation of letters patent of Thomas, bishop of Durham, dated at Durham by the hand of William Chancellor his chancellor on 1 November in the third year of his pontificate, granting licence for Ralph de Neville, earl of Westmoreland, to found a college of a master or warden chaplain and certain other chaplains and clerks and certain poor gentlemen and other poor men in the town of Staynedrope and to grant in mortmain to them two messuages and 12 acres of land in Staynedrope for their habitation and the advowson of the church of Staynedrope, and for them to appropriate the church. [Monasticon, VIII. p. 1401.] For 100s. paid in the hanaper.


Nov. 28. Westminster. Grant to Elizabeth late the wife of William Bispham, esquire, late bailiff and feodary of the duchy of Lancaster in the counties of Leicester, Warwick, Northampton and Nottingham, who has shown the king how 70l. were found due in the account of the said William from the arrears of his office and who has no goods or anything wherewith to live or to maintain her estate, of all the goods of the said William, which after his death were taken into the king's hands by Robert Babthorpe, under-steward in the said counties, and appraised at 40l. on account of the arrears.

Nov. 22. Westminster. Ordinance, with the assent of the lords spiritual and temporal in council, that from this date until Michaelmas next 10,000l. from the remainder of the last moiety of the fifteenth to be paid to the king at the Purification next, 2,000l. from the subsidy of 3s. on each tun of wine and 12s. on the pound in the ports of London, Southampton and Bristol, 1,000l. from alien priories, wards and marriages, 1,000 marks from the issues of the hanaper, 2,000 marks from the custom of wools and the subsidy of 3s. on each tun of wine and 12s. on the pound in the ports of London, Southampton, Boston and Kyngeston on Hull, 500 marks from the profitees at the Exchequer at Easter next and 1,000l. from the petty custom in the ports of London and Southampton shall be assigned for the expenses of the household, notwithstanding any other assignments, provided that this grant be not to the prejudice of persons having annuities from the custom and subsidy.

By K. & C.

Nov. 22. Westminster. Commission to John Hill, servant of the armoury for the king's body, to take armourers, workmen, artificers and labourers for the works of his mystery with any things pertaining to the mystery in the city and suburbs of London and elsewhere and carriage for the same.

By p.s.

Nov. 9. Westminster. Grant to Lucy late the wife of Edmund, late earl of Kent, tenant in chief, of the keeping of all lands late of the said Edmund which have descended by his death to Edmund, earl of March, son of Eleanor, one of his sisters, his kinsman and one of his heirs, to hold with the pourparty of the said earl of March from all lands which the countesses