

*Membrane 23—cont.*

1409.

May 14. Westminster. Whereas Edward, the prior, and the convent of St. Neots, which is of the patronage of the earl of Stafford and of the foundation of his ancestors and is an alien priory and a cell of the abbey of Beekherlewyn in Normandy of the power of France, and the ancient apport of which amounts to 30s. which they are bound to pay yearly at the Exchequer, have shown the king how they are alien and the prior is perpetual and the priory conventual and it is in danger of final destruction by the bad governance of late alien priors and the great sums incurred by them; the king, to the end that there may be there a prior and convent of English monks to celebrate divine service for the king and the patron and because the said Edward is his liege man born within the realm, with the assent of the council and for 300 marks paid at the receipt of the Exchequer grants that the prior and convent shall be denizen and the priory and its possessions shall not be taken into the king's hands and they shall be quit of the apport and other payments and no one shall be prior unless an Englishman born. By p.s.

May 2. Westminster. Grant to William de Roos of Hamelake of the keeping of all lands late of John Tochet, 'chivaler,' deceased, tenant in chief, during the minority of James his son and heir with the marriage of the latter without disparagement, and so from heir to heir, rendering to the king 2000*l.* at his chamber, finding a competent maintenance for the heir, maintaining the houses and buildings and supporting all charges. By K. & C.

May 22. Westminster. Pardon to John Garlond of Bures St. Mary, indicted of having on Tuesday after St. Matthias the Apostle last stolen 20s. of silver from one John Herward, for all felonies and trespasses committed by him, except murder, treason, rape and common larceny. By p.s.

April 18. Westminster. Whereas Roger Helmeswell, vicar in the cathedral church of St. Mary, Lincoln, sued Robert Burgh, late parson of the church of Asfordby, for 5 marks in a foreign county, of which Robert had not cognisance, which 5 marks Robert fully paid to Roger as he asserts by virtue of which suit Robert was outlawed and his goods taken into the king's hands by the escheator in the county of Leicester; the king grants to the said Robert the said goods to the value of 100s. By p.s.

July 10. Westminster. Licence, for 40 marks paid in the hanaper, for Henry Maupas, clerk, and Thomas Haxey, clerk, to grant in mortmain the reversion of a messuage and five shops with solars built over them in the parish of St. Dunstan West in Fletestrete in the suburb of London, held of the king in burgage as is all the city, which John Walden and Idonia his wife hold for her life, to the dean and chapter of the cathedral church of St. Peter, York, to the use of the canons residentiary of the church to do certain charges and works of piety according to the ordinance of the dean and chapter.

*MEMBRANE 22.*

May 5. Westminster. Licence, for 100s. paid in the hanaper, for the alienation in mortmain to the abbot and convent of Tychefeld in aid of their maintenance by George Estfeld of 2s. rent from a messuage late of John Honte