port there that all sufficient persons of the town have withdrawn and others still dwelling there propose to withdraw if they have no hope of aid from the king, and under such hope the burgesses have begun to construct a port there anew, which construction will extend to the sum of 1000l, and more; the king, with the assent of the council, grants to them 100l. yearly during the next five years from the subsidy of the 3s. on the tun and the 12d. on the pound in aid of the costs of construction.

By p.s.

July 18. Presentation of William Ouston, monk professed in the priory of Blyth, co. Nottingham, in the diocese of York, to the said priory, vacant by the death of Nicholas Englysh, late prior, and in the king's gift by reason of the statute of 1 Henry IV and the war with France.

By p.s.

July 27. Appointment for life of the king's brother Thomas Beaufort as admiral of the fleet to the north and west and to the ports of Ireland, Aquitaine and Picardy: in lieu of another appointment of him as admiral by letters patent dated 21 September last (see Vol. III, p. 467), surrendered.

MEMBRANE 8.

July 15. Grant to the king's son Thomas de Lancastre of the keeping of all lands, fees, advowsons, rents, services and other possessions and commodities late of William Skyppwith of Hayburgh, of the value of 100 marks yearly, during the minority of his son and heir with the marriage of the latter and so from heir to heir.

By p.s.

July 4. Protection with clause volumus, for one year, for John de Kyghley, knight, going on the king's service to Ireland in the company of the king's son Thomas de Lancastre, steward of England, lieutenant of Ireland, on the safe-keeping of those parts.

By bill of p.s.

July 18. Licence, for 2 marks paid in the hanaper by Thomas de Brakenholme, clerk, John de Folkethorpe, chaplain, John de Skipwith of Wilughtothe, William son of Thomas Smyth of Latham and Alan de Laxton, for them to grant in mortmain a messuage, a toft and 35 acres of land in Laxton in Houndeshire, not held of the king, to the chaplain of the chantry founded in the chapel of St. John the Evangelist, Laxton, for the soul of Thomas Rumphare, deceased, to celebrate divine service daily for the soul of the said Thomas and the souls of William Colvylle, clerk, and his father and mother and ancestors.

By p.s.