Membrane 90—cont.

Staffordshire.—William bishop of Coventry and Lichfield, Humphrey, earl of Stafford, — de Ferrers of Chartlely, knight, Nicholas Mongomery, knight, John Bagot, knight, Robert Wytgreve and the sheriff.


Devon and Cornwall.—Edmund, bishop of Exeter, —, baron of Carrewe, knight, John Arundell, knight, Richard Hankeford, knight, William Wynnard, John Opleston and the sheriffs.

Hampshire.—The abbot of Hyde, John Popham, knight, John Uvedale, William Brocas, William Soper and the sheriff.

Bedfordshire and Buckinghamshire.—Reginald de Grey, knight, John Cornewaille, knight, Thomas Brounflete, knight, John Barton, John Enderby, Richard Wyot and the sheriff.


July 12.
Westminster.

Many men of the mistery of mercy of the city of York, formerly wealthy, having been reduced by misfortune at sea and other causes to live by charity, many pious persons desire to devote lands and rents in York and elsewhere to the relief of such poor men of the mistery, and to the maintenance of a chaplain to say divine service every day. The king, therefore, by advice of his council and for 41l. 11s. paid in the hanaper, grants to the people of the mistery that henceforth they are to be a perpetual commonalty, and that they may elect every Annunciation day from among themselves a governor and two wardens, who are to be called the governor and wardens of the commonalty of mercers of the city of York, to survey, rule and govern the said mistery and commonalty. The governor and wardens and their successors are to be capable of purchasing lands, rents and other possessions, of suing and being sued in any court, secular or ecclesiastical, and they are to have a common seal. Moreover they are granted licence to acquire in mortmain lands and rents in York and the suburbs thereof, held in burgage, to the value of 10l. a year, for the relief of the poor of the commonalty and for the maintenance of a chaplain to celebrate divine service every day for the good estate of the king, while alive, and for his soul after death, and for the souls of his father and of all the faithful departed. Provided always that it be duly found by inquisition that such acquisition can be made without damage to the king or to anybody else.

By p.s.

MEMBRANES 29 to 27.

Inspectimus and confirmation, by advice and assent of the lords spiritual and temporal in the Parliament held at Westminster in the king's first year, to the prior and convent of the Carthusian priory of Witteham, co. Somerset, of letters patent, dated 22 November 1 Henry V, inspecting and confirming the following:—