Nov. 18. Westminster. It has been shown to the king and council by the prior and convent of the Augustinian friars of Canterbury that a great part of their house is surrounded by two lanes not containing more than half an acre, which are lonely and little used, but in which there is so much stench and filth that many infirmities daily befall those dwelling there. By alms and the great labour of the friars the petitioners' house is partly built, but the building cannot be properly finished unless the house be made larger. The king, therefore, by advice of the council, has granted to the petitioners the said lanes in frank almon, and has further licensed William Benet and Thomas Langedon to grant to them, with the assent of the bailiffs and citizens of the said city, which is held of the king by the fee farm of 60l. a year, a messuage and a garden in the same city adjoining the petitioners' said dwelling, the said petitioners to grant to the said bailiffs and citizens, also with their consent, a yearly rent of 5s. in aid of the said fee farm.

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1432. June 8. Westminster. Presentation, by advice of the council, of Walter Lybet, parson of Chiriton Fitz Payn, in the diocese of Exeter, on an exchange of benefices with John Bower, to the church of Northtawton, in the diocese of Exeter, in the king's gift by reason of the minority of Thomasia, Elizabeth and Anne, daughters and heirs of Richard Hankeford, knight, deceased.

1431. Nov. 12. Westminster. Inspeiximus 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 rector and brothers of the church in honour of the precious blood of Christ at Assherugge, of letters patent dated 21 March, 2 Henry V, inspecting and confirming the following:—


1432. May 29. Westminster. It has been shown to the king and council by Richard Tylly, late a yeoman of Thomas, late duke of Clarence, that the said duke by letters patent had granted him the office of porter of the castle of Somerton and keeper of the warren there, with 2d. a day wages for life; and he had peaceful possession until the said duke's death, when the castle and warren were taken into the hands of Henry V, and the present king on 13 December in his first year regranted the offices to the said Richard. But Margaret, duchess of Clarence, late the wife of the said late duke, holds one third of the castle, manor and lordship of Somerton in dower, and the treasurer and barons of the Exchequer will not allow payment of the said 2d. a day because they were granted to be received out of the issues and revenues of the castle, and not out of the issues and revenues of the castle, manor and lordship. This grant, therefore, having been surrendered, the king, by advice of the council, grants him, during pleasure, the said offices and his wages out of the issues of two thirds of the said castle, lordship and manor in the county of Lincoln, by the hands of the farmers, receivers or other occupiers from the said 19th of December.

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Vacated by surrender, the king on 31 October, in his sixteenth year, having granted him the offices for life.