to hold a general chapter for the same order in England and correct anything done contrary to the form of their order, as the abbot of Premonstré in France has been wont to do; this notwithstanding the statute of 2 Henry IV relative to provisors. The abbots and convents of the order in England have shewn that they have hitherto been bound to attend the general chapter of their order in France, either in person or by proctors belonging to the order, whenever summoned by their superior, the abbot of Premonstré, under penalty of excommunication, suspension, privation and depositions, and divers of their brethren going as such proctors, have been taken and robbed by the king’s enemies and rebels there, others have been drowned at sea, some have been sold, imprisoned, ill-used, tortured, and put to great ransom; while the abbots may not leave the realm to sue to the pope for remedy without special licence of the king.

By p.s.

1433. Revocation of the protection for one year which was granted to John Bentham, burgess and merchant of the town of Southampton, as about to proceed to Picardy and serve in the company of John duke of Bedford, captain of Calais, in victualling that town, because he tarries in the county of Southampton, as John Gyffard, the sheriff, has certified.

Feb. 19. Westminster. Mandate to John Perveys, mayor of London and escheator in that city, to deliver the temporalities of St. Saviour’s, Bermondesseye, in the diocese of Winchester, to brother John Bromelegh, of that house, whose election as abbot, in succession to Thomas Thetford, deceased, has been confirmed by Henry, archbishop of Canterbury, and whose fealty the king has taken.

The like to the escheators in the following counties:—

Kent.    Somerset.
Essex and Hertford.    Bedford and Buckingham.
Surrey and Sussex.    Berks.
Writ de intendendo to the tenants of the abbey.

Jan. 24. Lisence for the prioress and convent of St. Mary’s, Berkyng, to elect an abbess in the room of Margaret Swynford, deceased. By p.s.

July 20. Westminster. Grant, during pleasure, by advise of the council, to Nicholas Middilmore, one of the yeoman of the crown, for good service, of 6d. a day from Easter last out of the farms and issues of the county of Devon.

Mandate in pursuance to the sheriff of Devon.

Vacated by surrender, the king on 29 September, in the sixteenth year, having granted him the said 6d. a day for life.

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Feb. 28. Westminster. Licence, for 12l. paid in the hanaper, for Henry, cardinal of England and bishop of Winchester, Thomas, bishop of Durham, Simon Felbrig, knight, Richard Seresacre and Robert Suthwell, to grant the manors of Thresk, Hovyngham and Kirkeby Malesart, co. York, and the manor of Eppeworth, co. Lincoln, which are held in chief, to Katharine, duchess of Norfolk, for life.

Feb. 15. Westminster. Assignment, by advice of the lords of the council, to Henry, archbishop of Canterbury, Henry, bishop of Winchester, Thomas, bishop of Durham, Walter Hungerford, knight, and John Leventhorp, feoffees of Henry V of certain castles, lordships, manors, towns and lands of the duchy of