1437.
May 11.
Westminster.

Grant, during pleasure, to the king's uncle Humphrey, duke of Gloucester, for his great labours and expenses in attending the councils and on other matters by the king's command, of 2,000 marks a year at the Receipt of the Exchequer, from St. George's day last. By p.s.

Pardon to the same of the sum of 1,271l. 10s. 10½d. in return for the surrender of a grant, during pleasure, of 5,000 marks a year out of the treasury by the hands of the treasurer and chamberlains of the Exchequer.

By p.s.

July 15.
Westminster

Grant, for life, to John Somerseth, the king's servant, of 50 marks out of the fee farm which the abbot and convent of Bury are bound to pay to the king: in the same manner as Joan, late queen of England, held the same by grant of Henry IV; notwithstanding that the said John has the manor of Ryslep, worth 60l. a year, for life, and 40l. a year out of the issues of the city of London, during pleasure.

Vacated because surrendered, the king on 8 February in his sixteenth year having granted him for life 40l. a year, which the said abbot and convent are bound to pay.

By p.s.

July 13.
Sheen Manor.

Appointment, during good behaviour, of Robert Dyke, clerk, to be clerk and keeper of the rolls of the Chancery in Ireland, with the accustomed fees, wages and rewards.

By p.s.

July 15.
Westminster.

Licence for John Stourton, esquire, John Storthwayte, clerk, Peter Stucle, clerk, and John Arthburn, esquire, to grant in mortmain to the dean and chapter of the cathedral church of St. Andrew, Wells, 14 messuages, 4 tofts, a dove-cote, 160 acres of land, 12½ acres of meadow, 10 acres of pasture and 5s. of rent in Est Langebroke; and for John Reynold, canon of Wells, Stephen Morpath, canon of Wells, Thomas Wansford, clerk, John Haydour, clerk, and Thomas Chewe, clerk, to grant likewise 2 tofts, 4 gardens, 12 acres of land, 4 acres of meadow and 30 acres of pasture in Hethorn in Kyngesbury Episcopi; all which premises are found by inquisition before Alexander Hody, escheator in the county of Somerset, to be worth 6 marks 6s. 8d. a year, and not held of the king; the premises to be in satisfaction to the extent of 10 marks a year of the king's licence, dated 26 November, 2 Henry VI, for the said dean and chapter to purchase such lands to the yearly value of 40 marks, and the grantees shall perform certain charges and works of piety for the soul of Nicholas, late bishop of Bath and Wells, and for the souls of his parents, benefactors and others, as the said grantors shall ordain.

For 20l. paid in the hanaper.

June 26.
Kempton Manor.

General pardon to Henry, bishop of Winchester, commonly called the cardinal of England. [F.elder.] By p.s.

June 20.
Westminster.

Licence for John Stopynsdon and Nicholas Sturgeon, canons of the free chapel of St. Stephen in the palace of Westminster, to grant in mortmain to the dean and canons of the said chapel a messuage near the church