1439. 
Jan. 15. Westminster. Good Rest. 

Exemption, for life, of Simon Burcestre, groom baker for the king's mouth, from being put on assizes, juries or inquisitions, and from appointment as collector or assessor of taxes, fifteenths or other subsidies, constable, bailiff, or other officer, within London or without; and no person shall take any of his goods against his will. By p.s.


Presentation of John Reed, chaplain, to the church of Little Thorndon, in the diocese of London.

Jan. 20. Woodstock. 

Grant, by advice of the council, to John Cottesmore, chief justice of the Bench, of 90l. 6s. 8d. a year at the Exchequer, and two robes yearly, one with fur at Christmas and one with lining at Whitsunday, beyond the accustomed fee, so long as he remain in the office. By K.

1438. 
Nov. 8. Eltham Manor. 

The like for the following:— 
Richard Newton, one of the justices of the Common Bench, of 110 marks a year etc. as above. By K.

1439. 
Jan. 29. Westminster. 

Thomas Fulthorp, one of the justices of the Common Bench, of 110 marks etc. By K.


John Juyn, the king's chief justice, of 180 marks etc. By K.


Licence for the preceptor, warden or master and the brethren of the house or hospital of St. Anthony, London, to appropriate the church of St. Benet Fynk in the ward of Bredestrete, London, of their advowson, not exceeding the value of 20l. a year, and hold the same in frank almoine, without suing out any writ of ad quod damnum and without inquisition; and to serve the said church by a chaplain, a member of their house, or other fit chaplain, removable at their pleasure. By p.s.

MEMBRANE 19.


Whereas the king, by advice of the council, granted to Ralph Rochefort, knight for the body, when first he came to serve the king, 100 marks a year, as other knights for the body have, and afterwards, for the said sum, granted him the manors of Beustede and Wanton for life, which are worth only 50l. a year, as is said; the king to complete the 100 marks has granted him 25 marks a year at the Exchequer of Westminster until such time as it shall please him to compensate him to equal value in food (victu) or in the said office. By p.s.

Feb. 10. Windsor Castle. 

Grant, for life, to William Alberton, one of the clerks in the privy seal office, of the 100s. a year which Thomas Lychebarowe had for life by grant of Henry V, by the hands of the chamberlain of Karmerdy, the said Thomas desiring to demise his estate in them to the said William and in consideration of the good service done by the latter to the last and present kings. By p.s.


Grant, for life, to John Stanley, esquire, usher of the chamber, of the captaincy and keeping of the town of Caernarvan in North Wales, with the rule and survey of all the town gates, of the soldiers' lodgings (herbergagionum) above the gates and in, upon and underneath the walls, and of the soldiers themselves, to hold himself or by deputy, with the accustomed wages of 8d. a day for himself and 4d. a day for each soldier,