1439.

April 22. Westminster.

Grant, for life, to John Lydgate, monk of the house of Bury St. Edmunds, for good service to the king's father and uncles now deceased, to Humphrey, duke of Gloucester, and to the king, of 10 marks a year out of the ancient and petty customs, the subsidies on wool, hides and woollfells and tunnage and poundage in the port of Ipswich.

By p.s.

May 18. Westminster.

Signification to W. bishop of Lincoln, of the royal assent to the election of brother Robert Downham, canon of the Augustinian house of St. Frideswide, Oxford, to be prior thereof.

Feb. 27. Westminster.


Jan. 4. Kenilworth.

Grant, for life, to Richard Hase, in consideration of the cost to which he has been put for needful repairs to York castle, of the office of porter of the same; in lieu of a grant thereof for the life of John Leventhorp, and, after his death, during pleasure, surrendered.

By p.s.

May 10. Westminster.

Commission to John Baker, Nicholas Martyn and David Thomas to purvey 1,000 quarters of malt for the household.

By K. & C.


Grant to William Jankyns, groom of the wardrobe of the beds, of the office of forester of Prodhowe Wode and Hedley Wode, co. Northumberland, to hold himself or by deputy, from 10 June, 15 Henry VI., in lieu of a grant thereof of that date, surrendered as invalid, because no specification was made therein that the wages be paid by the receiver or occupier of the lordship of Prodhowe. Grant to him also of the keeping of Horsley Wode on the Tyne, on like terms and with the accustomed wages payable in like manner; as William Clerk had the last named office.

By p.s.


Exemption, for life, of Thomas Holden, king's esquire, from being put on assizes, juries, inquisitions, attaints or recognitions, and from being made mayor, sheriff, escheator, coroner, constable, justice of the peace or of sewers, ulnager, taxer, searcher, assessor or collector of customs or controller of tenths, fifteenths, customs, subsidies; taxes or tallages, or leader, trier or arrayer of men at arms, hobblers or archers, or other commissioner, bailiff or officer of the king, against his will, nor shall he be compelled to ride or labour out of his own country by virtue of any future proclamation any statute to the contrary notwithstanding.

By p.s.

May 15. Westminster.

Appointment of Thomas Glouestre, esquire, and Elizabeth, sometime the wife of John Kyngeston, knight, to have the wardship and marriage of Thomas, son and heir of Alesia, late the wife of Thomas Kyngeston, knight, tenant in chief; paying 500 marks for the same at the Exchequer and finding competent sustenance for the heir during his nonage.

By bill of the treasurer.


Presentation of John Paule, chaplain, to the chantry in the king's chapel called 'le Charnelle' of Scardeburgh, in the diocese of York, void by the death of Richard Gillyot.

By p.s.