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customed in the ports of Suthampton or Sandwich or any other port, as well the goods of natives as of aliens, with the carriage and portage of all wools, fells, tin and bales and all other merchandise in London carried from the Thames to the houses of aliens or *vice versa* or of any merchandise warehoused and afterwards so carried, with the wages and profits in the said city of old time accustomed: grant to them also of the like offices in regard to the like goods in the port of Suthampton with the wages therefor usual in London, with power to seize as forfeit to the king's use any merchandise not customed so brought to a port of safety, taking a moiety of such for their trouble; to hold themselves or by deputies, with the fee of 100s. from the customers of London according to ancient usage and any other accustomed wages and profits.

By K. and dated etc.

MEMBRANE 13.

Dec. 1.
Westminster

Whereas by an agreement made between the king's father as son and heir of Mary, one of the daughters and heirs of Humphrey de Bohun, late earl of Hereford, Essex and Northampton, and Anne, countess of Stafford, daughter and heir of Eleanor, the other daughter and heir of the said Humphrey, in the Parliament held in the ninth year of the said late king, the castle and manor of Brekenoe with its members was amongst other things assigned to the said countess, and it is a matter of dispute whether the castle and town of Brenles, the lordships of Penkelly and Cantrecelly, the manors and lordships of Langoit and Alisaundres Towne and the third part of the barony of Penkelly in Wales should belong wholly to the pourparty of the said countess as members of Brekenoe, or be divided equally between her part and the king's as parts of the said inheritance in gross; and whereas the premises so in dispute have been kept in the king's hands and the keeping thereof granted by letters patent first to J. bishop of Bath and Wells, and Roger Aston, knight, from Michaelmas, 7 Henry VI, and afterwards to John Haburhale *alias* John Aburhale and Nicholas Poyntz, esquires, at the yearly farm of 73*l.* 14 $\frac{3}{4}$ *d.* and whereas in any event Humphrey, earl of Stafford, as son and heir of the said countess would be entitled to half the disputed premises, the king has granted him one moiety of the said 73*l.* 14 $\frac{3}{4}$ *d.* from 16 October, 17 Henry VI, the date of the death of his said mother, by the hands of the said bishop and Roger up to the date of the grant to their successors and thenceforward by the hands of the said John Aburhale and Nicholas until the decision of the dispute; and this present grant shall not prejudice the said earl or his heirs from suing out livery of the disputed lands or of the moiety thereof, according to such decision when made.

By p.s. and dated etc.

Nov. 9.
Westminster.

Whereas, by the petition of John Baxter, son of Stephen Baxter, of Boston, and Peter Haweton of Lincoln, the king has learned that they loaded certain ships in the ports of Bishops Lenn and Yernemuth with wool and wool-fells destined for the staple of Cales, paid the customs therefor and found surety, as they say, for the subsidies; but, although the king had given licence to John Stevenys, fishmonger of London, to ship the said wool-fells whither he would, they could not be shipped at Lenn aforesaid, until John College, serjeant at arms, came with writs of allowance, forbidding the customers and searchers there to allow anything to be done to the king's prejudice; and whereas during the passage of the said wools and wool-fells towards Cales the said petitioners were attacked by an enemy, one Pety Pynchon, keeping the sea in those regions with a