Membrane 11—cont.

Inspecimus and confirmation to John Waryn, alderman of Bishops Lenn, and to Robert Hunt, Simon Scotlond, William Kellowe and John Robynson, wardens or échevins, and to the brethren of the fraternity or merchant gild of the Trinity of Lenn, of letters patent dated at Beverley, 9 September, 16 Richard II, and licence, on the petition of the aforesaid, for them and their successors to maintain the said gild and to admit one alderman and four wardens as often as need be for the governance thereof, and to hold meetings in places belonging to the said town and make such ordinances as seem necessary for their better governance, as aforesaid, and grant that the said officers be perpetual and the gild incorporate, that they may have a common seal and may plead and be impleaded, that they may acquire lands and tenements to the yearly value of 100L without paying any fine, whether held of the king in burgage or of others, and that they may hold for ever all lands, annuities and other possessions hitherto acquired by them and their predecessors. [Calendar, 1391-1396, p. 149] By p.s. and dated as above and for 200 marks paid in the hanaper.

Grant, for life, to Bartholomew Lathe of the office of serjeant of the plumbary within the Tower of London, the Palace of Westminster and the manors of Eltham and Sheene, to hold himself or by deputy, with the wages and fees of 12L a day out of the fee farm of the town of Bedford and with a gown of the king's livery of the suit of his serjeants yearly, by the hand of the keeper of the Great Wardrobe; in lieu of a grant hereof, surrendered.

By p.s. and dated as above.

MEMBRANES 10 and 9.

Inspecimus and confirmation, by advice and consent of the lords spiritual and temporal and the commonalty of England in the parliament held at Westminster in the king's first year, to John Haselbere, abbot of Middelton, and the convent of that place, of letters patent dated 12 December, 1 Henry IV, inspecting and confirming earlier letters patent of Edward II. [Calendar, 1307-1313, p. 389.]

Membrane 9 (cont.).

Grant to Richard Bell, monk professed in the abbey of Duresme, of the priory of Holy Trinity, York.

By K. and dated as above.

Whereas Henry V by letters patent granted to Henry, archbishop of Canterbury, Henry, bishop of Winchester, now cardinal of England, and Walter Hungerford, knight, and to others now dead, divers manors and lands and required that they should fulfil thereof his last will, and though the present king willed that they should grant to the dean and canons of the collegiate church of St. Mary, Leicestre, 100 marks yearly in frank almoin out of divers manors, lordships, towns, wapentakes and socages [see p. 487], whereof the said archbishop, bishop and Walter were enfeoffed, and if the payment thereof were in arrear, the dean and canons might distrain, and Walter by his sealed writing performed the king's will; but because the will of Henry V was not in all fulfilled, he fears that his honour, estate and name may suffer disgrace and himself, his heirs, assigns, terre-tenants and executors be molested by reason of the sealing of the said writing:—the king has granted to him that neither he nor his heirs, terre-tenants or executors shall be molested, and, if these presents should be invalid in law, that he and they may sue for others; and that the chancellor may grant the same without impeachment.

By p.s. and dated as above.