dignity, and that the king commands their restoration to the dean or his
commissionary; which writ was delivered to the mayor and sheriffs by John,
 earl of Huntingdon, yet they have detained the prisoners as before;
whereupon the king commanded John, bishop of Bath, chancellor, and
Ralph, lord of Cromwell, treasurer, to enquire into the matter and
report to the king; and they with John Hody and Richard Nepton,
chief justices of either Bench, summoned the dean, mayor and sheriffs
before them; and the dean produced his complaints in writing and
royal charters, papal bulls and other muniments and evidences, whereo
the other party replied in writing; and finally after further debate it was
declared by the chancellor and treasurer on the advice and counsel of the
two justices that the prisoners ought to be restored to the church as to a
place enjoying full liberty and not subject to any other jurisdiction, with
privileges like those of Westminster, Beverley and other places in
England; and hereon the chancellor and treasurer made report to the
king, who commanded the chancellor by his writ directed to the sheriffs
to cause the prisoners to come into Chancery; which done, the sheriffs
by advice and consent of the duke of Gloucester and the cardinals of
St. Eusebius and St. Sabina commonly called of England and York and
other royal councillors were relieved of the keeping of the prisoners, who
in the presence of the sheriffs, recorder and council of the city were
delivered to Thomas Colledge, king's serjeant at arms, to restore to the
dean and chapter; and the said serjeant delivered them to the dean on
the eve of All Saints in the nineteenth year.

1441.
July 1.
Westminster.

Grant to Lewis Meux, esquire, and Alice his wife, and their heirs of free
warren for deer and conies in all their demesne lands within the parishes
of Shorwell and Kyngston in the Isle of Wight, co. Southampton, with
the usual proviso; licence also for them to enclose 300 acres of wood and
pasture in the said parishes.

By K. and dated etc.

1440.
Nov. 28.
Westminster.

Letters of denization for John Martell, born in Picardy, and his heirs.
By p.s. and dated etc.

MEMBRANE 2.

Whereas Richard II granted licence that the keepers of towns, places
and bounds having the charge of repairing and maintaining the old
bridge of Rouchestre should be established for ever to keep the new
bridge of stone between Rouchestre and Strode, to be elected from time
to time, and that they might acquire in mortmain lands to the value of
200£ yearly in aid thereof: the king, for 10£ paid in the hanaper, has
granted licence to William Rykhull to assign to the present keepers the
manor of Parva, Delce in the parish of St. Margaret by Rouchestre, to
Thomas Chichele, citizen of London, to assign 14½ acres of land and
9 acres of marsh in Frenshesbery, co. Kent, to Thomas Duke of Green
to assign 3½ roods of land in the Isle of Green, co. Kent, to Thomas
Brokere of Green to assign 3 roods of land in 'le Green' and to William
Rykhull and William Thorp to assign a messuage in Rouchestre, not held
in chief, extended at 5l. 2s. 8d. yearly, as was found by inquisition taken
before William Byle, late escheator in Kent, to hold to the said keepers
for ever as of the value of 8l. yearly in part satisfaction of the 200£ of
lands and rents aforesaid.

For the said fine and out of charity.

1440.
Oct. 27.
Westminster.

Grant in survivorship to Thomas Thorp and William Grendon of the
office of tronage and pesage in the port of Berwick on Tweed, to hold