
Grant in survivorship to the king's serjeant, William Say, usher of the chamber, and Robert Whityngham, esquire, usher of the chamber, of the office of bailiff of Sandwich, to hold themselves or by deputy from 11 January last, taking 24L a year from the issues of the town, as Robert Choldesworth had of the grant of Henry V, and John Sandeeford of the king's grant; provided that they render account in the Exchequer touching any surplus; in lieu of grants thereof to the former for life by letters patent dated 27 April, 21 Henry VI, to hold immediately after the death of John Sandeeford, and to the latter by letters patent dated 11 January last, surrendered.

By p.s. etc.

Membrane 3.


Licence for Thomas, bishop of Bath and Wells, and his successors to execute all things specified in letters patent dated 29 March, 14 Edward III, in favour of Ralph, then bishop of Bath and Wells, hitherto not executed, and to enclose the churchyard of the cathedral church of Wells and the precinct of the houses of them and the canons of the church in the city of Wells with a stone wall and to enclose the same and make towers there for the greater security of the bishop and canons; so that the gate and posterns whereof mention is made in the said letters be shut and opened at the due times, as shall seem good to Thomas and his successors or to the dean and canons resident there, for surety of the peace and quiet of them and of the other ministers of the church; and mandate to the bailiffs and other officers and the citizens and ministers of the city to be intendant to the bishop and his successors herein and to commit to prison till further order any rebellious herein.

By p.s. etc.


Ratification of the estate of Humphrey, duke of Buckingham, and the heirs male of his body, in the offices of constable of Dover castle and warden of the Cinque Ports, granted to him by a writing of William Fenys, knight, lord of Say and of Sele, son and heir male of James Fenys, knight, late lord of Say and of Sele, who held the same in tail male by letters patent of the king; and grant to the duke thereof to hold as above, taking from 4 July, 28 Henry VI, 300L a year for the sustenance of him and of the priests, servants, officers, watchmen and artificers there resident, as the king's uncle, Humphrey, duke of Gloucester, had for the same, to wit, 146L from the wards pertaining to the castle and 154L as follows, to wit, for the fourteen years next coming 317. 10s. from the fee farm of Westcombe and Bedewynd, co. Wilts, by the hands of the sheriff of the county or other receivers, bailiffs, farmers or occupiers there, 35L. 3s. 4d. from the fee farm of Hereford by the hands of the mayor, bailiffs, citizens, burgesses, sheriffs or receivers thereof, and 87L. 6s. 8d. from the fee farm of Southampton by the hands of the sheriff, mayor, bailiffs, burgesses, men or other receivers there; and after the said fourteen years 100 marks from the customs in the port of Sandwich and 87L. 6s. 8d. as above; saving to the king chattels of felons and fugitives, fines, ransoms, amercements and other profits of the Cinque Ports pertaining to the king, of which the duke and his heirs shall render account yearly in the Exchequer.

By p.s. etc. and for 20 marks paid in the hanaper.

July 1.  Westminster.

Exemplification of the tenor of divers writs and of the enrolments thereof, as follows:—(1) Among the writs directed to the barons