1452.

in the parliament held at Westminster on 6 November, 28 Henry VI. [Calendars, 1436–1441, p. 551, and above, p. 241.] By p.s. etc.

Vacated, so far as concerns the office of controller, and surrendered, the king on 8 March in his thirty-fourth year having granted to his esquire, Peter Idle, the said wages, and so far as concerns the office of keeper of the warren and lordship, the king on 9 April in the same year having granted to his servant Thomas Burton, serjeant of the pantry, the said wages.

March 4. Westminster. Restitution to John, earl of Oxford, and his heirs of the keeping of the park and houses of Haveryng with the appurtenant fees and wages, as freely as any of his ancestors had the same; he holding the bailiwick of the forest of Essex, whereto the premises have pertained time out of mind. By K. etc.

March 1. Westminster. Grant for life to John Norman of the wages due to the office of keeper of the wardrobe in the Tower of London, from 6 November, 28 Henry VI, from the issues of the counties of Hertford and Essex; the said office having been granted to him and William Lynne, deceased, by letters patent dated 4 October, 18 Henry VI, and the wages resumed by an act of the parliament held at Westminster on 6 November, 28 Henry VI. By p.s. etc.

Feb. 16. Westminster. Grant for life to the king's servant, William Neell, groom of the chamber, of the office of bailiff of Furthyngton, co. Dorset, to hold himself or by deputy with the usual wages and fees from the revenues of the lordship of Furthyngton, and all other profits. By p.s. etc.

March 18. Westminster. Pardon to Thomas West, mayor of Sudbury, co. Suffolk, of the king's suit for all felonies, treasons, insurrections, conventions, congregations, extortions, misprisions and all offences hitherto and any consequent outlawries. By K. etc.

March 23. Westminster. Grant for life to the king's esquire, James Hayde, of the manor of Huntyngfeld, co. Kent, to the value of 12l. a year. By K. etc.

1451.

Sept. 3. Westminster. Whereas the city of Chichester, wherein as the principal place in Sussex a county-court was held by the sheriff, has been incorporate of the mayor and citizens time out of mind, who have held the city of the king, rendering 36l. yearly at the Exchequer, and have had divers privileges, to wit, among others a merchant gild and view of frankpledge and the correction and assay of bread, wine and ale and all other victuals, and the measure and weight within the city, and the correction of forestallings and regratiiings and other misdeeds, until of late the clerk of the market of the household and other officers and ministers of the king, plotting to molest them, have presumed to infringe the said liberties: the king, considering the premises and that the city is situated by the coasts of the sea and is a special port of the realm and for that reason a multitude of denizens and aliens flocks thither, so that the said correction and assart (sic) are incumbent on the mayor and citizens beyond other foreign officers and ministers of the king, has confirmed all liberties used by them.