Membrane 4—cont.

the mistery henceforth to have a perpetual commonalty of themselves, with power to elect four wardens from their number to supervise, regulate and govern the commonalty and mistery; and further licence for the said wardens and commonalty and their successors to acquire in mortmain lands, tenements and rents in the city and suburbs of London to the yearly value of 20l., in aid of the maintenance of the said poor and of a chaplain to celebrate divine service for the good estate of the king and queen, for their souls after death and the souls of the king's father and mother and of all the men of the mistery, according to their ordinance, notwithstanding the statute of the fifteenth year. (Cf. Herbert: History of the Twelve Livery Companies of London, Vol. I. p. 294.) By p.s.

Membrane 3.

June 20.
Westminster

Inspeximus and confirmation to Hugh Loterell, knight, William Brian, knight, and William Potyn, clerk, of an indenture (in French) by Anne, late queen, dated at Westminster, 1 February in the fifteenth year, granting and leasing to farm to the said persons her manor of Middelton, co. Kent, and the hundreds of Middelton and Merden in the same county, except knights' fees, advowsons, wardships, marriages and escheats, wreck of the sea not exceeding the sum of 40s. chattels of fugitives and felons or outlaws, deodands, escapes of thieves, and all kinds of forfeitures, fines, issues and amerelements in any of the king's courts, from Michaelmas last for fifteen years, at the yearly rent of 186l. 18s. 4d. Persons to whom the said queen has granted any farms from the demesne lands or other farms are to enjoy the same for the term for which they were granted and to pay their rents to the lessees, who covenant to maintain the premises in repair without waste and who are to have housebote and haybote therefor, each being bound in the sum of 100l. to pay the rent aforesaid and each being the said queen's bailiffs within the manor and hundreds aforesaid, in person or by deputy, receiving 60s. 8d. therefrom from the issues. By p.s. and for 2 mark paid in the hanaper.

May 28.
Sheen
Manor.

Exemption, for life, of William Wodeford of Bristoll from being put on assizes, juries, attains, inquisitions or recognizances, and from being made mayor, sheriff, escheator, coroner, steward, constable, justice of the peace or of labourers, collector, taxor, assessor, surveyor or controller of tenths, fifteenths, subsidies, taxes, tallages or other charges, arrayer, leader or trier of men at arms, hobelers or archers or other bailiff or minister of the king, against his will.

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

June 18.
Westminster.

Reversion of protection will aforesaid to John Varye of London, as governing service to Prudently to stay in the company of Richard Howse, keeper of Flamstead castle, because he is London born and allowed to be certified by the sheriffs.

May 18.
Westminster.

Pardon to William Cokkull, clerk, for the death of Thomas Jakelot, "taillour," killed at Bokeland, co. Berks, on All Souls day in the ninth year.

By p.s.

May 1.
Westminster.

Pardon, out of regard for last Good Friday, to Thomas, son of Ranulph Willaboy, the younger, for the death of Robert Gardener, killed at Congleton on Wednesday after Ascension day in the thirteenth year.

By p.s. [9518.]