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may be agreed upon between him and the treasurer by Michaelmas next.

By bill of the treasurer.

Vacated on surrender, since the king, on 5 November 16 Henry VI, granted the said keeping to the said John Curteys, to hold the same under a certain form. And so these letters are cancelled.

May 14.
Westminster.

Order to the escheator in the county of Northumberland ;—pursuant to an inquisition made by him showing that Robert Umframville, knight, on the day of his death held the castle of Herbotell and the manor of Oterburn, to himself and the heirs male of his body, by a fine levied in the king's court at Westminster in three weeks of Easter, 1 Richard II, (before Robert Bealknapp, William de Skipwith, Roger de Kyrketon, Roger de Fulthorp and Henry de Percehay, justices, and others the king's lieges then present there), between Gilbert de Umframvill, earl of Angos, querent, and John de Haburgh, clerk, and John de Pykeworth, clerk, deforciants, touching the said castle and manor, whereby the said earl acknowledged the said castle and manor to be the right of the said John and John, as had by them of the gift of the said earl ; for which acknowledgment, fine and concord the said John and John granted the said castle and manor to the said earl, to hold the same to him and the heirs of his body of the king and his heirs by the services due and customary for ever, with remainders successively, in tail male, to Robert de Umframvill, ' chivaler ', brother of the said late earl, to Thomas de Umframvill brother of the said Robert, to Thomas de Umframvill son of Joan the daughter of Adam de Rodom, and to Robert de Umframvill son of the said Joan, and with remainder over to the right heirs of the said late earl ; by virtue of which fine the said late earl was seised of the said castle and manor in his demesne as of fee tail, and died so seised without heir of his body ; after whose death, and since the said Robert de Umframvill, ' chivaler ', his brother, had died during his life-time without heir male of his body, the said Thomas de Umframvill, brother of Robert, was seised of the said castle and manor by virtue of his remainder and died so seised without heir male of his body ; after whose death the said Thomas de Umframvill son of Joan the daughter of Adam de Rodom was seised of the said castle and manor by virtue of his remainder, and had issue, one Gilbert, and died seised of the premises ; and the said Gilbert was afterwards seised of the said castle and manor, as son and heir male of the said Thomas son of Joan, by virtue of the said fine, and died so seised without heir male of his body, and of the body of Thomas his father ; after whose death the said Robert de Umframvill son of Joan (who is the same Robert de Umframvill named in the king's order) was seised of the said castle and manor by virtue of his remainder and died so seised without heir male of his body ; after whose death the said castle and manor

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ought to remain by virtue of the said fine to Walter Tailboys, who is of full age, the kinsman and heir of the said late earl, to wit, son of Walter Tailboys, the son of Eleanor the daughter of Elizabeth the sister of the said late earl; and that the castle and manor aforesaid are held of the king in chief by service of a fourth part of a knight's fee;—to take the fealty of the said Walter son of Walter and cause him to have full seisin of the said castle and manor, as the king for 6s. 8d. paid in the hanaper has respited his homage until the feast of All Saints next.

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May 10.
Westminster.

Commission during pleasure to John Hunte and Walter Grene to levy and collect in person in the port of Ipswich and in all adjacent ports and places, after inspection of the merchandise; (1) the subsidy which was granted to the king in the Parliament held at Westminster, 14 Henry VI, for the defence of the realm and especially for the safe-keeping of the sea, to wit, 33s. 4d. on each sack of wool and on every 240 woolfells passing out of the realm, to be paid and levied of every merchant denizen from the day of the expiration of the last grant thereof until Martinmas 1437, in manner and form as it was paid and levied at the time of the said grant; and 46s. 8d. on each sack of wool and on every 240 woolfells passing out of the realm, to be paid and levied of every alien merchant from the expiration of the last grant thereof until the said Martinmas, in manner and form as it was paid and levied at the time of the said grant [*Rot. Parl. iv. 488*]; and (2) the subsidies which were granted to the king in the last Parliament, held at Westminster, for the safe-keeping of the sea, to begin on 1 April then next to come and to last for the 3 years following, to wit, 3s. on every tun of wine that any merchant, denizen or alien, shall bring into the realm by way of merchandise, 3s., over and above the said 3s., of every alien merchant for every tun of sweet wine that he shall bring into the realm by way of merchandise, and 12d. of every merchant, denizen or alien, for every merchandise (other than is recited above) to the value of 20s. that he shall bring into or take out of the realm by way of merchandise, excepting all victuals going out to Calais, and all manner of woollen cloths of merchants denizens going out of the realm, wheat, rye and flour of the same, and all manner of fresh fish, coming into the realm, and also such merchandise as in its coming to the realm shall have been sunk or perished in the sea, by the inclemency (*intemperiem*) of the sea or the breaking of the vessel, and afterwards, (at the great cost and loss of the merchant), be recovered; with proviso that if any wools, woolfells or merchandise of any merchant denizen, whereon any of the said subsidies shall have been paid or surety found therefor, shall be perished by the inclemency of the sea or