# Warrants for Issues at the Exchequer

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**TNA E 404/78**

Reference: E 404/78/1/1
Date: 15 May 1 Edw. V [1483].
The king, by the advice of his very dear uncle, the duke of Gloucester, protector and defender of this realm of England, and of other lords of the king's council, commands the treasurer and chamberlains of the Exchequer, that they receive of every sheriff of every county of this realm such and as many tallies as were levied or raised for him by way of reward or pardon for his losses and damages, had and to be had by reason of his office of sheriffwick in the last year of the reign of Edward IV. And those tallies so received they are to cause to be cancelled, and after that to make singularly to him two tallies in like form, containing the same sum them severally concerning, the one tally to be levied of the moiety of the same sum, and of the same date thereof after the payment of his then next profit. The other tally to be levied this term of the other moiety of the same sum after the payment of his profit next to be made for the same sheriff. Given under the privy seal at the city of London. Smyth.

Reference: E 404/78/1/2
Date: 22 May 1 Edw. V [1483].
Whereas Edward IV, on 23 Dec 20 Edw. IV [1480], by his letters patent, out of his special grace, amongst other things, granted to John Lewes the office of one of the king's serjeants at arms. To have, occupy and exercise the same office to the said John from Michaelmas then last past during the king's pleasure, from which feast and then continuously the same John exercised and occupied that office with wages and fees of 12d a day, to be received yearly from the said feast during the king's pleasure, at Easter and Michaelmas by equal portions, as is more fully contained in the said patent. The king commands the treasurer and chamberlains to pay to the same John the arrears of the said 12d a day from Michaelmas, abovesaid, until 8 Apr now last past according to the tenor of the said patent. Witnessed by the king at Westminster. Morton.

Reference: E 404/78/1/3
Date: 22 May 1 Edw. V [1483].
Whereas Edward IV, on 20 Apr 21 Edw. IV [1481], by his letters patent, granted to John Smyth, one of the yeomen of his chamber, 6d a day, to be had and received yearly from Michaelmas then last past during the king's pleasure at Easter and Michaelmas by equal portions, just as in the said letters is more fully contained. The king commands the treasurer and chamberlains of the Exchequer that they pay to the same John the arrears of the said 6d a day for the feasts of Easter and Michaelmas, according to the tenor of the said letters, receiving from the said John his letters of acquittance, which will be sufficient for the king in this regard. Witnessed by the king at Westminster. Ive.

Reference: E 404/78/1/4
Date: 23 May 1 Edw. V [1483].
The king, considering the great costs and charges that his cousin, Henry, duke of Buckingham, the king's justice in the parts of North Wales and South Wales, shall hastily bear and sustain for the benefit of the king and this realm in the said parts, of the king's special grace, certain science and mere motion, has given and granted to his said cousin at this time towards his said charges the sum of 1,000 marks sterling, to be had of the king as of his gift. Wherefore the king commands the treasurer and chamberlains of the Exchequer that they, incontinent upon the sight of these letters, deliver unto his said cousin the said sum of 1,000 marks, to have of the king as of his gift without any prest to be entered or set upon his cousin in that behalf. Given under the privy seal at the Tower of London. Smyth.

Reference: E 404/78/1/5
Date: 1 Jun 1 Edw. V [1483].
Whereas Edward IV, by his letters patent 18 Jul 1 Edw. IV [1461], out of his special grace, granted to his beloved servant, John Laurence, the office of being one of the four tellers of the Exchequer for the term of his life, receiving wages of 4½d a day at the receipt of the Exchequer, just as is more fully contained in the said letters. The king commands the treasurer and chamberlains of the Exchequer that they pay to the same John the arrears of the said 4½d a day for the said wages from 18 Jul until 9 Apr last past according to the tenor of the said letters, receiving from the said John his letters of acquittance, which will be sufficient for the king in this matter. Witnessed by the king at Westminster. Morton.

Reference: E 404/78/1/6
Date: 2 Jun 1 Edw. V [1483].
The king, by the advice and assent of the king's council, commands the treasurer and chamberlains of the Exchequer that, for the time that the treasurer has occupied and shall occupy the said office, for the costs and expenses, which he has and sustained about the king's household, chamber, great wardrobe and works, they pay from time to time such sums of money out of the king's treasury or make thereof assignation to the king's treasurer of his household, keeper of the king's jewels within his chamber, clerk of the king's great wardrobe and clerk of his works that now be, or that for the time shall be, and to each of them as shall be, unto their wisdoms thought suitable, for costs and expenses of their said offices during the time that they shall be in their said offices. And that they pay also of the king's said treasure fees of the chancellor of England, treasurer and privy seal and judges of both the king's benches, barons and chancellor of the Exchequer, and to all other the king's officers and ministers of any of his courts having fees and rewards accustomed. And also for the rewards of all customers, controllers, receivers, surveyors, searchers and approvers in the ports of England or any of the king's livelihoods or possessions or other profits due unto the king that have been or for the time shall be, they are to pay rewards after their sage discretions, and for the king's profit they are to pay also of his treasure to his lieutenant of Ireland, the wardens of his marches, east and west, and captain of his town of Berwik [Berwick], the wages assigned by the king and his council after the indentures of their withholding. They are also to pay of the king's treasure for the costs and expenses of all those that be or shall be assigned by the king's commission for to inquire for the king or for his profit in any way, or for to resist or subdue his rebels or enemies within this his realm or any part of the same. And for all messages to his profit, they are to pay also from time to time unto the clerk of the king's ships for all things necessary for the safeguard and safekeeping of the king's ships, and for wages and victuals of mariners attending upon the same. And they are also to pay for the parchment paper, ink, wax, bags of canvas and other necessaries suitable in the offices of the treasurer and chamberlains in the receipt. And over that they are to pay from time to time all things that shall seem to their wisdoms to be for or to his honour, surety or profit to be paid. Given under the privy seal at the Tower of London. Bele.

Reference: E 404/78/1/7
Date: 12 Jun 1 Edw. V [1483].
Whereas Edward IV, on 30 Mar 6 Edw. IV [1466], out of his special grace, granted to the prior and convent of the order of Dominican friars in the city of London to pray for his good state and the souls of his progenitors £20, to be received yearly at the Exchequer from his alms at Easter and Michaelmas by equal portions from Michaelmas 39 Hen. VI [1460] (the said Henry being king *de facto* and *non de jure*), during the king's pleasure, just as in letters patent thereupon completed is more fully contained. The king commands the treasurer and chamberlains of the Exchequer to pay to the same prior and convent the arrears of the said £20 a year for Easter last past according to the tenor of the said letters. Witnessed by the king at Westminster. Wodward.

Reference: E 404/78/1/8
Date: 13 Jun 1 Edw. V [1483].
Whereas Edward IV, on 19 Mar last past, being very confident in the loyalty and diligence of Vincent Tenteler, armourer, had retained in his hands the same Vincent in his service, and by his letters patent had appointed and ordained him as his armourer for the term of his life, and also of his special grace had granted to the same Vincent for the execution or occupation of the said office £20 sterling. To have and receive the same yearly during his life from Easter then last past, from which feast until the date of the said patent the same Vincent occupied that office from the mandate of Edward IV continuously, at Michaelmas and Easter by equal portions, just as in the said letters is more fully contained. The king orders the treasurer and chamberlains of the Exchequer that they pay to the same Vincent the arrears of the said £20 a year from the said Easter until Easter last past from the treasury according to the tenor of the said letters, receiving from the said Vincent his letters of acquittance, which will be sufficient for the king in this matter. Witnessed by the king at Westminster. Wheler.

Reference: E 404/78/1/9
Date: 18 Jun 1 Edw. V [1483].
Whereas Edward IV, on 16 Jun 20 Edw. IV [1480], by his letters patent, out of his special grace, granted to Henry Herman the offices of his coroner and attorney in his bench before him. To have and occupy the same offices for the term of the life of the same Henry, receiving yearly in the same offices wages and fees due and accustomed for the same offices at Michaelmas and Easter by equal portions, and all other fees, wages and rewards used and accustomed from ancient times, just as is more fully contained in the same letters. And because Edmund Brudinell, attorney of Richard II in the king's bench to bring and defend his business, received £10 a year for his fee in the said office at Easter and Michaelmas by equal portions by assignment made to him, just as is certified to Edward IV in his chancery by the treasurer and chamberlains from his mandate. The king orders the said treasurer and chamberlains that they pay to the same Henry the arrears of the said £10 a year from 16 Jun until Easter last past from the treasury according to the tenor of the said letters, receiving from the said Henry his letters of acquittance, which will be sufficient in this matter. Witnessed by the king at Westminster. Wheler.

Reference: E 404/78/2/1
Date: 28 Jun 1 Ric. III [1483].
Whereas Edward IV, on 29 Jan 7 Edw. IV [1468], by his letters patent, granted to Richard, then prior, and the convent of the friars of the order of Holy Trinity of Houndeslowe [Houndslow] and their successors £10, to be had and received every single year from Easter then last past at Michaelmas and Easter by equal portions in free, pure and perpetual alms forever, just as in the said letters is more fully contained. The king commands the treasurer and chamberlains to pay to the now prior and convent the arrears of the said £10 a year from the said 29 Jan until Easter last past according to the tenor of the said letters. Witnessed by the king at Westminster. Morton.

Reference: E 404/78/2/2
Date: 8 Jul 1 Ric. III [1483].
Whereas Edward IV, on 30 Mar 6 Edw. IV [1466], out of his special grace, granted to the prior and convent of the order of Dominican friars in the city of London to pray for his good state and that of the souls of his progenitors £20, to be received yearly at the Exchequer from his alms at Easter and Michaelmas by equal portions, from Michaelmas 39 Hen. VI [1460] (the said Henry being king *de facto* and *non de jure*), during the king's pleasure, just as in letters patent thereupon completed is more fully contained. The king commands the treasurer and chamberlains of the Exchequer to pay to the same prior and convent the arrears of the said £20 a year for Easter last past from the treasury according to the tenor of the said letters. Witnessed by the king at Westminster. Wodward.

Reference: E 404/78/2/3
Date: 15 Jul 1 Ric. III [1483].
Whereas Edward Bastard, late called King Edward V, on 10 May last past, by the advice of his council, ordained and constituted the king's trusty and well-beloved clerk and councillor, Master John Gunthorp, to be keeper of his privy seal, to have, occupy and keep the said office as long as it shall please him. By virtue whereof, the said Master John had and occupied the said office from the said 10 May unto 27 Jun then next following without any fees, wages or reward therefore of him taken, to his great costs and charges. The king, willing him for the same to be recompensed, of his special grace and mere motion, commands the treasurer and chamberlains of the Exchequer that, incontinent upon the sight of these letters, they content and pay in ready money unto the said Master John for his diets accustomed 20s for every day from 10 May unto 27 Jun, the first and last day accounted, which amounts to the sum of £49, or else that they make to him sufficient and sure assignment by tally or tallies in due form to be levied at the receipt of the said sum of £49. And that tally or tallies so levied, they are to deliver unto the said Master John without any prest or other charge to be set upon him for the same, to be had and taken of the king by way of reward for the said cause. Given under the privy seal at the king's manor of Grenewich [Greenwich]. Smyth.

Reference: E 404/78/2/4
Date: 16 Oct 1 Ric. III [1483].
Whereas Thomas Knight, sheriff of the county of Lincoln, is bound in the Exchequer by recognizance to pay his proffers, *viz* 50 marks, within a month of Michaelmas in like manner as other sheriffs of the said county have done and used heretofore. The king certifies to the treasurer, barons and chamberlains of the Exchequer that, towards the great costs and charges that the king must sustain and bear in subduing the great rebel and traitor, the duke of Buckingham, he has received of the said Thomas the said 50 marks at the city of Lincoln. Wherefore the king commands them that they do not make any manner of process for the king against the said Thomas for non-payment of the said 50 marks before them, but allow, acquit and discharge him as well thereof, as of all penalties, fines, forfeitures by him forfeited or to be forfeited in this part by reason of the said recognizance. And that they, the said treasurer and chamberlains, do enter the same sum among other the king's records in the receipt of the Exchequer as money delivered and paid to the king at the said receipt, and thereupon do levy a tally, containing the said sum of 50 marks, for the discharge of the said Thomas in this part. And forasmuch as the king has commanded the said Thomas to go in his presence with the king for the repressing and subduing of the said duke, he may not come personally to yield unto the king his account for his said office. The king therefore commands the treasurer and chamberlains that they admit such attorney or attorneys, as the said Thomas shall commit and assign for him, to yield his said account, any statute, act, ordinance, matter or cause to the contrary notwithstanding. Given under the privy seal at the city of Lincoln.

Reference: E 404/78/2/5
Date: 25 Nov 1 Ric. III [1483].
Whereas the king has appointed and ordained his trusty and well-beloved esquire, John Bamme, to be sheriff of the county of Kent for the year now next ensuing, in the which office he shall have and sustain great losses, costs and charges to his great hurt, unless the king's special grace be shown unto him in this behalf. The king, intending to provide for his indemnity therein, of his special grace and mere motion, commands that the treasurer and chamberlains of the Exchequer make assignment unto the said John of the sum of £100 by tally or tallies to be levied upon him at the receipt as sheriff of the said county, to be had and received of the farms, issues and profits of his bailiwick by way of reward. And that tally or tallies so levied they are to deliver unto the same John Bam without prest or other charge to be set upon him for the same. Given under the privy seal at the city of London. Tilghman.

Reference: E 404/78/2/6
Date: 27 Nov 1 Ric. III [1483].
Whereas the king has appointed Roger Wake, esquire, to be his sheriff in the county of Northampton for the year now next ensuing, in the which office he shall have great losses, costs and charges to his great hurt, unless the king's special grace be shown to him in this behalf. The king, willing him therefore to be recompensed, commands the treasurer and chamberlains of the Exchequer that they make assignments in due form unto the said Roger of the sum of £100 by tallies in several forms to be levied for him of reward at the receipt after the several tenures, as follows:

1. Northampton: From Roger Wake, sheriff, from the issues of his bailiwick £80 101s 1¼d.
2. From the heirs of William le Marescall from the farm of land of Norton 54s.
3. Northampton: From the sheriff for the time being from the remains of £11 15s 6½d from the very small parts of his serjeanty, £4 13s 5¼d.
4. Northampton: From Nicholas, son and heir of Thomas, son of Hugh Chanceux, for the abbot of St James without Northampton, 40s.
5. Northampton: From Thomas, son of William Curson of Croxhale [Croxall], from the fee farm from the rent of his serjeanty, which was of Nicholas de Archer from the manor of Sybertoft [Sibbertoft], 53s 1½d.
6. Northampton: From the abbot of Evesham from the remains of the hundred of Falwesley [Fawsley] 58s 4d, for Roger Wake, esquire, of reward.

And the tallies in due form levied they are to deliver to the said Roger without any prest or other charge upon him therefore to be set. Given under the privy seal at the city of London. Horw[od].

Reference: E 404/78/2/7
Date: 27 Nov 1 Ric. III [1483].
Whereas the king has appointed and ordained his trusty and well-beloved Sir Thomas Worteley, knight for the king's body, to be sheriff of the county of Stafford for the year now next ensuing, in the which office the king understands that he shall have and sustain great losses, costs and charges, unless the king's special grace be shown unto him in this behalf. The king, not willing him to sustain any hurt therein, commands that the treasurer and chamberlains of the Exchequer strike out a tally at the receipt in due form to be levied for the same Thomas Worteley upon him as sheriff of the said county, containing the sum of £100, to be taken of the king by way of reward. And that tally so levied they are to deliver unto him without prest or other charge to be set upon him for the same. Given under the privy seal at the city of London. Horwod.

Reference: E 404/78/2/8
Date: 28 Nov 1 Ric. III [1483].
Whereas the king has appointed and ordained his trusty and well-beloved Thomas Fowler, esquire, to be sheriff of the counties of Bedford and Buckingham for the year now next ensuing, in the which office he shall have and sustain great losses, costs and charges [to his great] hurt, unless the king's special grace be shown unto him in this behalf. The king, intending to provide for his indemnity therein, of his special grace and mere motion, commands that the treasurer and chamberlains of the Exchequer make assignment unto the said Thomas of the sum of £70 by tally [or tallies] to be levied upon him at the receipt as sheriff of the said counties, to be had and received of the [farms], issues and profits of his bailiwick by way of reward. And that tally or tallies so levied they are to deliver unto the same Thomas without prest or other charge to be set upon him for the same. Given under the privy seal at the city of London. Ho[rwod].

Reference: E 404/78/2/9
Date: 28 Nov 1 Ric. III [1483].
Whereas the king has appointed and ordained his trusty and well-beloved John Sturgeon to be sheriff of the counties of Essex and Hertford for the year now next ensuing, in the which office he shall have

and sustain great losses, costs and charges to his great hurt, unless the king's special grace be shown unto him in this behalf. The king, intending to provide for his indemnity therein, of his special grace and mere motion, commands that the treasurer and chamberlains of the Exchequer make assignment unto the said John of the sum of £198 by tally or tallies to be levied upon him at the receipt as sheriff of the said counties, to be had and received of the farms, issues and profits of his bailiwick by way of reward. And that tally or tallies so levied they are to deliver unto the same John without prest or other charge to be set upon him in any way. Given under the privy seal at the city of London. Horwod.

Reference: E 404/78/2/10
Date: 1 Dec 1 Ric. III [1483].
Whereas the king has appointed and ordained his trusty and well-beloved Sir John Babington, one of the knights for his body, to be sheriff of the counties of Nottingham and Derby for the year now next ensuing, in the which office the king understands he shall have and sustain great hurst, costs and losses to his great damage, unless the king's special grace be shown unto him in this behalf. The king, intending to provide for his indemnity therein, of his special grace and mere motion, commands that the treasurer and chamberlains of the Exchequer make assignment unto the said Sir John of the sum of £100 by tally or tallies to be levied upon him at the receipt as sheriff of the said counties, to be had and received of the issues and profits of his bailiwick by way of reward. And that tally or tallies so levied they are to deliver unto the said Sir John without prest or other charge to be set upon him for the same in any way. Given under the privy seal at the city of London. Horwod.

Reference: E 404/78/2/11
Date: 1 Dec 1 Ric. III [1483].
Whereas the king has appointed and ordained his trusty and well-beloved Humphrey Beaufe to be sheriff of the counties of Warwick and Leicester for the year now next ensuing, in the which office he shall have and sustain great losses, costs and charges to his great hurt, unless the king's special grace be shown unto him in this behalf. The king, intending to provide for his indemnity therein, of his special grace and mere motion, commands that the treasurer and chamberlains of the Exchequer make assignment unto the same Humphrey of the sum of £160 by tally or tallies to be levied upon him at the receipt as sheriff of the said counties, to be had and received of the issues of his bailiwick. And that tally or tallies so levied they are to deliver unto him of the king's reward without prest or other charge to be set upon him for the same. Given under the privy seal at the city of London. Horwod.

Reference: E 404/78/2/12
Date: 1 Dec 1 Ric. III [1483].
Forasmuch as the king verily understands that his well-beloved servant John Smyth, one of his surgeons, is by the space of one ha[lf year] behind unpaid of a fee of 6d a day, granted unto him by letters patent by Edward IV, *viz* from Michaelmas twelve months until Easter last past, which amounts to £4 11s 3d, the said 6d a day to be received by the hands of the treasurer and chamberlains of the Exchequer. Therefore, the king, in consideration of his service and attendance upon the king in his late journey, willing him to have of his duty in that behalf, commands the treasurer and chamberlains to content and pay to him without any delay the said £4 11s 3d according to the same letters patent, without any prest or other charge to be set upon him for the same. Given under the [privy] seal at the city of London. Horwod.

Reference: E 404/78/2/13
Date: 2 Dec 1 Ric. III [1483].
Whereas the king has appointed and ordained his trusty and well-beloved John Barantyne, esquire, to be sheriff of the counties of Oxford and Berkshire for the year now next ensuing, in the which office he shall have and sustain great hurts, costs and losses to his great hinderance, unless the king's special grace be shown unto him in this behalf. The king, intending to provide for his indemnity therein, of his

special grace and mere motion, commands that the treasurer and chamberlains of the Exchequer make assignment unto the same John of the sum of £90 by tally or tallies to be levied upon him at the receipt as sheriff of the said counties, to be had and received of the issues of his bailiwick. And that tally or tallies so levied they are to deliver unto him without setting of any prest or other charge upon him for the same. Given under the privy seal at the city of London. Horwod.

Reference: E 404/78/2/14
Date: 2 Dec 1 Ric. III [1483].
Whereas the king has appointed and ordained his trusty and well-beloved Ralph Willughby to be sheriff of the counties of Norfolk and Suffolk for the year now next ensuing, in the which office he shall have and sustain great l[osses], costs and charges to his great hurt, unless the king's special grace be shown unto him in this behalf. The king, intending to provide for his indemnity therein, of his special grace and mere motion, commands that the treasurer and chamberlains of the Exchequer make assignment unto the said Ralph of the sum of £160 by tally or tallies to be levied upon him at the receipt as sheriff of the said counties, to be had and received of the farms, issues and profits of his bailiwick by way of reward. And that tally or tallies so levied they are to deliver unto him without prest or other charge to be set upon him for the same. Given under the privy seal at the city of London. Smyth.

Reference: E 404/78/2/15
Date: 2 Dec 1 Ric. III [1483].
Whereas Edward III, late king of England, by his letters patent, which Edward IV confirmed on 22 Feb 8 Edw. IV [1469], granted to John Hermystorp, then warden of the hospital of St Katherine by the Tower of London, and the brothers and sisters of the same hospital, 73s 4d, to be received every single year at the Exchequer forever in recompense of one small piece of land next to the garden of the same hospital, which same piece of land the king's progenitors, formerly kings of England, had together with other land, where a ditch around the said tower is dug, from the gift and grant of the warden, brothers and sisters of the said hospital for the time being, as is more fully contained in the said letters and confirmation. The king commands the treasurer and chamberlains that they pay to the warden, brothers and sisters of the said hospital the arrears of the said 73s 4d a year until Easter last past from the treasury according to the tenor of the said letters and confirmation. Witnessed by the king at Westminster. Heed.

Reference: E 404/78/2/16
Date: 2 Dec 1 Ric. III [1483].
Whereas Edward IV, on 14 Nov 17 Edw. IV [1477], by his letters patent, out of his special grace and in respect of charity, granted from his alms to the then warden and convent of the Franciscan friars of Oxford 50 marks, to be received yearly at the receipt of the Exchequer from Easter then last past during the king's pleasure at Michaelmas and Easter by equal portions, just as is more fully contained in those letters. The king commands the treasurer and chamberlains to pay to the now warden and convent the arrears of the said 50 marks a year from 14 Nov 17 Edw. IV [1477] until Easter last past from the treasury according to the tenor of the said letters. Witnessed by the king at Westminster. Bolton.

Reference: E 404/78/2/17
Date: 3 Dec 1 Ric. III [1483].
Whereas, on 28 Nov last past, out of his special grace and in respect of charity, the king granted from his alms to the warden and convent of the Franciscan friars of Oxford 50 marks, to be received yearly at the receipt of the Exchequer from Easter last past during the king's pleasure at Michaelmas and Easter by equal portions, just as in letters patent thereupon completed is more fully contained. The

king commands the treasurer and chamberlains that they pay to the same warden and convent the arrears of the said 50 marks a year for Michaelmas last past from the treasury according to the tenor of the said letters. Witnessed by the king at Westminster. Bolton.

Reference: E 404/78/2/18
Date: 3 Dec 1 Ric. III [1483].
Forasmuch as the king has granted to his well-beloved servants, the grooms and pages of his chamber, the sum of £100 for a reward against the feast of Christmas next coming, the king therefore commands the treasurer and chamberlains of the Exchequer that, incontinent upon the sight of these, they content and pay unto them, or to the bringer thereof in their names, the said sum of £100 in ready money without any prest or other charge to be set upon them for the same. Given under the privy seal at the city of London. Horwod.

Reference: E 404/78/2/19
Date: 3 Dec 1 Ric. III [1483].
Whereas the king has appointed and ordained his trusty and well-beloved John Wake, esquire, to be sheriff of the counties of Cambridge and Huntingdon for the year now next ensuing, in the which office he shall have and sustain great losses, costs and charges to his great hurt, unless the king's special grace be shown unto him in this behalf. The king, intending to provide for his indemnity therein, of his special grace and mere motion, commands that the treasurer and chamberlains of the Exchequer make assignment unto the said John of the sum 100 m[arks] by tally or tallies to be levied upon him at the receipt as sheriff of the said counties, to be had and received of the farms, issues and profits of his bailiwick by way of reward. And that tally or tallies so levied they are to deliver unto him without prest or other charge to be set upon him in any way. Given under the privy seal at the city of London. Tilghman.

Reference: E 404/78/2/20
Date: 5 Dec 1 Ric. III [1483].
The king commands the treasurer and chamberlains of the Exchequer to deliver from the treasury to John Billesby, esquire, kinsman and next heir of Agnes Billesby, *viz* son of Richard Billesby, son of the said Agnes, late usher of the fee of the Exchequer, deceased, to which same John the said office descended after the decease of the same Agnes by right of inheritance, which same John was admitted to the said office, from the morrow of Michaelmas 1 Ric. III [1483] until Friday 5 Dec then next following, 48s 6d for carrying 16 of the king's writs by daily allowances to diverse places of England throughout the same time, and for carrying the said 16 of the king's writs to diverse counties of England. They are also to deliver to the said John from the treasury 71s 9d for wax to seal the said writs by daily allowances and to seal 1,862 of the king's writs. And 4s 5d for diverse necessaries bought in the same Exchequer throughout the same time. Witnessed by Sir H. Starky at Westminster. By roll of the memoranda of the 10th year of Edward IV in the 4th roll on the part of the king's remembrancer. Castelton.

Reference: E 404/78/2/21
Date: 11 Dec 1 Ric. III [1483].
Whereas the king has appointed and ordained his trusty and well-beloved Sir Edmund Hastinges to be sheriff of the county of [York] for the year now next ensuing, in the which office the king understands that he shall have and sustain great losses, costs and charges to his great hurt, unless the king's special grace be shown unto him in this behalf. The king, intending to provide for his indemnity therein, commands that the treasurer and chamberlains of the Exchequer make assignment unto the said Edmund of the sum of £340 by tally or tallies to be taken at the receipt as sheriff of the said county, to be had and received of the farms, issues and profits by way of reward. And that tally or tallies so

levied they are to deliver unto the said Edmund without any prest or other [charge] to be set in any way. Given under the privy seal at the city of London.

Reference: E 404/78/2/22
Date: 11 Dec 1 Ric. III [1483].
Whereas the king has appointed and ordained Thomas Horde, esquire, to be sheriff of the county of Shropshire for the year next following, in the which office the king understands that he shall have and sustain great charges and losses. The king, willing him to be recompensed, commands that the treasurer and chamberlains of the Exchequer make a sufficient assignment unto him of £100 by tally to be taken upon him as sheriff of the said county of the issues of his bailiwick to be had or received by way of reward. And that tally so levied they are to deliver unto him without any prest or charge upon him therein to be set or had. Given under the privy seal at the city of London. Tilghman.

Reference: E 404/78/2/23
Date: 21 Dec 1 Ric. III [1483].
The king commands the treasurer and chamberlains of the Exchequer that, anon upon the sight of these letters, without delay, they pay to William Parker, late master under God of the king's ship called *the Portingale*, and now master under God of the king's ship called *the Caragon*, or unto the bringer hereof in his name, the sum of £7 due by the king unto him for old arrears. Given under the privy seal at the city of London. Horwod.

Reference: E 404/78/2/24
Date: 5 Jan 1 Ric. III [1484].
Whereas it was so that in the time that the king stood protector of this realm, while Edward, bastard son of Edward IV, was called king of this realm, John Belle, late one of the bailiffs of the town of Cambridge, provided as many wildfowl for his coronation by the command of Sir John Elrington, as amounted to the sum of £32 2s …, whereof he received in hand of the said Sir John Elrington £17 11s 2d. Also he received £14 11s 5d of a priest of … … Thurkill, John Dale, John Wodcok and John Belle, late bailiffs of the town of Cambridge, of the fee farm of the said town … … of £15, which was due by the said late bailiffs to Dame Elizabeth, late called queen of this realm, at Easter last past. And that the said suppliant, trusting to have had his ready payment of the said sum of £14 11s 5d of the said Sir John Elrington for the said providence, and so to have made payment again thereof to the said late bailiffs to the use of the said Dame Elizabeth. Of which £14 11s 5d due to the said suppliant, he can get no payment, nor suitable assignment of the said Sir John Elrington, to his grievous hurt and damage, unless the king's grace be shown unto him in this behalf. The king, intending the indemnity of the said John Belle, and forasmuch as he came to the king with four men defensibly arrayed to Leicester, and so continued still in the king's …, awaiting upon him all his journey in repressing of the king's rebels and traitors unto the time the king came to the city of London, to his great cost, labour and charge without any reward or recompense by the king to him made for the same as yet. The king therefore in reward and recompense of his great cost, labour and charge in that behalf, of his special grace and mere motion, commands that the treasurer and chamberlains of the Exchequer make assignment unto the said John Belle of the said sum of £14 11s 5d by tally or tallies to be levied of the said late bailiffs at the receipt to be had and received of the fee farm of the said town. And that tally or tallies so levied they are to deliver unto the said John Belle without prest or other charge upon him or the said late bailiffs, or the said Sir John Elrington, to be set in any way. Given under the privy seal at the king's [palace] of Westminster. Hor[wod].

Reference: E 404/78/2/25
Date: 7 Jan 1 Ric. III [1484].
Whereas it is so that, on 4 Jul last past, the king ordained and appointed his trusty and well-beloved Sir William Hopton to be treasurer of the king's household. For exercising which office, the king has

appointed his said treasurer the sum of £100, to be taken of the king by way of reward, as in like case it has been used to other treasurers in days past against every feast of Christmas. The king therefore commands the treasurer and chamberlains of the Exchequer that they, of the king's treasure, now being in their keeping, or of that hereafter that shall be, content and pay to the said treasurer the said sum of £100, to be taken of the king by way of reward for Christmas last past, without prest or other charge to be set upon him for the same. Given under the privy seal at the king's palace of Westminster. Tilghman.

Reference: E 404/78/2/26
Date: 15 Jan 1 Ric. III [1484].
Whereas the king, on 2 Jan last past, by letters patent granted to Anne de Caux, long ago nurse of Edward IV, the sum of £20 a year at the receipt of the Exchequer, to be had and received from the treasury from Easter then last past at the terms of the birth of St John the Baptist and Michaelmas by equal portions, for the term of her life, just as in the said letters is more fully contained. The king commands the treasurer, barons and chamberlains of the Exchequer that they pay to the same Anne the arrears of the said £20 a year from the said feast of Easter at the said feasts from the treasury according to the tenor of the said letters, receiving from the said Anne her letters of acquittance, which will be sufficient for the king in this behalf. Witnessed by the king at Westminster. Curteis.

Reference: E 404/78/2/27
Date: 21 Jan 1 Ric. III [1484].
Whereas the king is indebted unto John Walcote of London, mercer, in the sum of £74 13s 1½d for diverse gold silks and workmanship delivered by Cecily, wife of the said John, unto Piers Courteys, keeper of the great wardrobe, to the king's use, as in the books of his said wardrobe it may plainly appear. Of which sum the said John has no manner of payment or assignment as yet, unto his great hurt and uttermost undoing, unless the king's special grace be shown unto him in that behalf. The king, considering the poverty of the said John, commands that the treasurer and chamberlains of the Exchequer that, incontinent upon the sight of these letters, they pay to the said John Walcote the said sum of £74 13s 1½d, to have of the king in full contentment of his said duty, and that they make issue and entry in the records of the receipt called the pell as money delivered unto the said Piers Courteys as keeper of the said wardrobe by the hands of the said John Walcote, without any prest entering or setting upon the said John Walcote. Given under the privy seal at the king's palace of Westminster. Horwod.

Reference: E 404/78/2/28
Date: 22 Jan 1 Ric. III [1484].
Whereas there is due by the king unto Sir Edmund Shawe, alderman of London, the sum of £764 17s 6d as well for certain plate by him ordained for the king's year's gifts against Christmas last past, and for other jewels by him ordained and delivered to the king's own hands. The king therefore and straightly commands the treasurer and chamberlains of the Exchequer that, towards his contentment of the same, without any delay or excuse, they content and pay unto the said Edmund Shawe in ready money of the first money to be received of the proffers, which shall come to their hands in the term of Easter next coming, the sum of 500 marks, parcel of the said sum of £764 17s 6d, without prest or any other charge to be set upon him for the same. Given under the privy seal at the king's palace of Westminster. Tilghman.

Reference: E 404/78/2/29
Date: 24 Jan 1 Ric. III [1484].
The king commands the treasurer and barons of the Exchequer to deliver from the treasury to John Broun, late clerk of the petty bag of Chancery, on account of the labours and troubles, which he had around the writings of examinations of original extracts of Chancery, from Michaelmas 22 Edw. IV

[1482] until Michaelmas last past, £10 sterling, which are due to him and in arrears for the same time, in the same manner as other clerks of the petty bag before him for their examinations and writings of these extracts before this time have been accustomed. Witnessed by the king at Westminster. Barowe.

Reference: E 404/78/2/30
Date: 30 Jan 1 Ric. III [1484].
Whereas Edward IV, on 25 Nov 14 Edw. IV [1474], by his letters patent, out of his special grace and in respect of charity, granted from his alms to the then warden and convent of the Franciscan friars in Cambridge university, 25 marks, to be received yearly at the receipt of the Exchequer from Easter then last past during the king's pleasure at Michaelmas and Easter by equal portions, just as in the said letters is more fully contained. The king orders the treasurer and chamberlains to pay to the now warden and convent the arrears of the said 25 marks a year for Easter last past from the treasury according to the tenor of the said letters. Witnessed by the king at Westminster. Bolton.

Reference: E 404/78/2/31
Date: 30 Jan 1 Ric. III [1484].
Whereas the king, on 26 Jan last past, out of the king's special grace and in respect of charity, the king granted from his alms to the warden and convent of the Franciscan friars in Cambridge university 25 marks, to be received yearly at the receipt of the Exchequer from Easter last past during the king's pleasure at Michaelmas and Easter by equal portions, just as in the letters patent thereupon completed is more fully contained. The king commands the treasurer and chamberlains to pay to the same warden and convent the arrears of the said 25 marks a year for Michaelmas last past from the treasury according to the tenor of the said letters. Witnessed by the king at Westminster. Bolton.

Reference: E 404/78/2/32
Date: 5 Feb 1 Ric. III [1484].
Whereas Henry II, formerly king of England, by his charter, which the now king has confirmed, granted to God and the hospital of St Giles without London and the infirm lepers living there 60s, to be had every single year at Michaelmas, to mend the vestment of the lepers of the same hospital, just as in the said charter and confirmation is more fully contained. The king commands the treasurer and chamberlains to pay to the now lepers of the said hospital the arrears of the said 60s a year for Michaelmas last past from the treasury according to the tenor of the said charter and confirmation. Witnessed by the king at Westminster. Broun.

Reference: E 404/78/2/33
Date: 6 Feb 1 Ric. III [1484].
Whereas the king of late has bought of Gillam de Bretayne, merchant of Bretayne [Brittany], and Lewes de Grymaldes, merchant of Jene [Genoa], 168 harness complete for five marks, the harness so for the king bought at the town of Sandewiche [Sandwich] by his servant Robert Lilbourne. Which harness were delivered into the Tower of London by the hands of the king's trusty servant, John Stockes. The sum of which harness in all amount to £560. Whereof the king has paid and contented unto the said Gillam £220, and so there remain due to the said Lewes de Grymaldes £340. Whereof he has not received of the king any payment. The king, willing him to be contented and paid for the same, commands the treasurer and chamberlains of the Exchequer that they, by way of assignment or otherwise, content and pay to the said Lewes the said £340 in such place or places, as by their sage discretions shall be thought most sure contentment and payment for the said Lewes. Given under the privy seal at the king's palace of Westminster. Horwod.

Reference: E 404/78/2/34
Date: 6 Feb 1 Ric. III [1484].
Whereas the king has appointed and ordained his trusty and well-beloved Geoffrey Sharard, esquire, to be sheriff of the county of Rutland for the year now next ensuing, in the which office he shall have and sustain great losses, costs and charges to his great hurt and hinderance, unless the king's special grace be shown unto him in this behalf. The king, intending to provide for his indemnity therein, of his special grace and mere motion, commands that the treasurer and chamberlains of the Exchequer make assignment unto the said Geoffrey by tally or tallies in due form to be levied at the receipt of the sum of £13 6s 8d upon the said Geoffrey as sheriff of the said county, to be had and received of the issues, farms and profits of his bailiwick. And that tally or tallies so levied they are to deliver unto the said Geoffrey to be taken by way of reward without any prest or other charge to be set upon him for the same. Given under the privy seal at the king's palace of Westminster. Horwod.

Reference: E 404/78/2/35
Date: 8 Feb 1 Ric. III [1484].
Whereas the king, on 27 Dec last past, by his letters patent, granted to his beloved servant John Haryngton, clerk of the king's council of requests and supplications, a certain annuity of £20, to be had and received yearly during his life at the receipt of the Exchequer at Easter and Michaelmas by equal portions, just as in the same letters is more fully contained. The king commands the treasurer and chamberlains of the Exchequer that they pay to the same John the said £20, and the same £20 a year from then on, every single year, during his said life, from the treasury from time to time at the said feasts according to the tenor of the said letters, receiving from the said John from time to time his letters of acquittance, which will be sufficient for the king in this behalf. Witnessed by the king at Westminster. Barowe.

Reference: E 404/78/2/36
Date: 9 Feb 1 Ric. III [1484].
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Whereas of late Drew Britonel, sheriff of the counties of Bedford and Buckingham … … and by force of the king's letters under the privy signet to him directed, delivered to Thomas Fowler … … the sum of £60, which late were due to Henry, late duke of Buckingham, the king's rebel and traitor, … … by the hands of the said Drew Britonel as sheriff of the said counties. Which sum of £60 … … chamber by the king's command. And for which sum the said Drew has had of the king no sufficient discharge. The king commands the treasurer and chamberlains that they levy a tally at the receipt upon the said Drew upon the issues of his bailiwick, containing the said sum. And that tally so levied they are to deliver to the said Drew, and they are to make that issue as money delivered into the king's chamber. Given under … … at the king's palace of Westminster.

Reference: E 404/78/2/37
Date: 10 Feb 1 Ric. III [1484].
Whereas the mayor, fellowship and merchants of the staple at Caleys [Calais], at the king's special pleasure and request, in Trinity term last past, lent to the king the sum of £1,120. Which sum by the king's command was employed on the wages and rewards of certain soldiers of a crew sent by the king to Caleis [Calais] in the said term for the more surety and safeguard of the said town and marches there. And for the which sum, so to the king by the mayor, fellowship and merchants lent, they have not had of the king any repayment. The king therefore commands the treasurer and chamberlains of the Exchequer that they in due form without delay do enter … in the name of the said mayor, fellowship and merchants of the said sum, and make issue of the same for the said causes. And over that they are to make for the said mayor, fellowship and merchants due assignment upon the surplus of their account by tally or tallies in due form at the receipt to be levied and them to be delivered

without prest or other charge to be set on them. Given under the privy seal at the king's palace of We[stminster]. Horwod.

Reference: E 404/78/2/38
Date: 14 Feb 1 Ric. III [1484].
Whereas the king has appointed and ordained his trusty and well-beloved John Dudley, esquire, to be sheriff of the counties of Surrey and Sussex for the year now next ensuing, in the which office he shall have and sustain great losses, costs and charges to his great hurt, unless the king's special grace be shown unto him in this behalf. The king, intending to provide for his indemnity therein, of his special grace and mere motion, commands that the treasurer and chamberlains of the Exchequer make assignment unto the said John of the sum £40 by tally or tallies to be levied upon him at the receipt as sheriff of the said counties, to be had and received of the issues and profits of his bailiwick by way of reward. And that tally or tallies so levied they are to deliver unto the same John without any prest or other charge to be set upon him in any way for the same. Given under the privy seal at the king's palace of Westminster. Horwod.

Reference: E 404/78/2/39
Date: 16 Feb 1 Ric. III [1484].
Forasmuch as John Ambros of Nigrono, merchant of Jene [Genoa], has late brought into the town of Calais 80 tons of wine of the parts of Gascoyne [Gascony] for the victualing of the same town. And also over that, the said John Ambros, now of late, has brought 120 tons of wine of the said parts to the city of London by way of merchandise to his great costs and charges in that behalf. The king, in recompense of his said costs and charges, has granted to the said John Ambros the 3s for the subsidy of every ton of the said 120 tons belonging to the king, as the 2s for the butlerage of every of the said 120 tons also belonging to the king. The king therefore commands the treasurer and chamberlains of the Exchequer that, as well for the discharge of 3s for the said subsidy as 2s for the said butlerage of every of the said 120 tons of wine, they do strike out tallies at the receipt in due form to be levied upon the collectors of the subsidy of 3s of … … and 12d of the pound, and upon the king's chief butler of England of the issues of his office, or upon the said John Ambros, as shall be to them thought most necessary, as well for the discharge of the said John Ambros as the said collectors … … chief butler in that behalf. And the tallies so struck out they are to deliver to the said John Ambros, to be taken of the king by way of reward, without any prest or other charge to be set upon him or them for the same. Given under the privy seal at the king's palace of Westminster. Horwod.

Reference: E 404/78/2/40
Date: 21 Feb 1 Ric. III [1484].
Whereas the king, upon 2 Jul last past, by his letters patent, out of his special grace, granted to Henry Harman the offices of his coroner and attorney in his bench before him. To have and occupy the same offices during the king's pleasure, receiving yearly in the same offices, wages and fees due and accustomed for the same offices at Michaelmas and Easter by equal portions, and all other fees, wages and rewards used and accustomed from ancient times, just as is more fully contained in the same letters. And because Edmund Brudinell, attorney of Richard II in the king's bench to bring and defend his business, received £10 a year for his fee in the said office at Easter and Michaelmas by equal portions by assignment made to him, just as is certified to the king in his Chancery by the treasurer and chamberlains from his mandate. The king orders the said treasurer and chamberlains that they pay to the same Henry the arrears of the said £10 a year from 2 Jul and the same £10 a year from then on, every single year, during his time in the offices from the treasury at the said terms from time to time according to the tenor of the said letters, receiving from the said Henry from time to time his letters of acquittance, which will be sufficient for the king in this matter. Witnessed by the king at Westminster. Wodward.

Reference: E 404/78/2/41
Date: 28 Feb 1 Ric. III [1484].
Whereas Edward IV, on 27 Jan 18 Edw. IV [1479], by his letters patent, which Richard III has confirmed, out of his special grace, certain knowledge and pure motion, granted to Sir John Asteley £60 a year, to be had and received every single year for the term of his life from the treasury at Easter and Michaelmas by equal portions, just as in the same letters and confirmation is more fully contained. The king commands that the treasurer and chamberlains pay to the same John the arrears of the said £60 a year from the said 27 Jan from the treasury according to the tenor of the said letters and confirmation. Witnessed by the king at Westminster. Hanyngton.

Reference: E 404/78/2/42
Date: 28 Feb 1 Ric. III [1484].
The king commands the treasurer and chamberlains of the Exchequer to deliver from the treasury to John Billesby, esquire, kinsman and next heir of Agnes Billesby, *viz* son of Richard Billesby, son of the said Agnes, late usher of the fee of the Exchequer, deceased, to which same John the said office descended after the decease of the same Agnes by right of inheritance, which same John was admitted to the said office, 39s for sealing 76 summons from the morrow of Hilary 1 Ric. III [1484] until Saturday 28 Feb then next following, and 46s 3d for carrying 16 of the king's writs by daily allowances to diverse places of England throughout the same time, and for carrying the said summons and the said 16 of the king's writs to diverse counties of England. They are also to deliver to the said John from the treasury 54s 9d for wax to seal the said writs by daily allowances and to seal 1,422 of the king's writs. And 4s 2d for diverse necessaries bought in the same Exchequer throughout the same time. Witnessed by Sir H. Starky at Westminster. By roll of the memoranda of the 10th year of Edward IV in the 4th roll on the part of the king's remembrancer. Castelton.

Reference: E 404/78/2/43
Date: 20 Apr 1 Ric. III [1484].
Whereas the king's servants, William Daubeney, clerk of the jewelhouse, Richard Laurence and Rowland Forster, yeomen of the same, since Michaelmas 22 Edw. IV [1482], have continually occupied and well and truly executed and done their office in the same hitherto to the king's good pleasure, not having or receiving in the meantime any wages or fees for their said office, *viz* to the said William Daubeney 20 marks a year for his fees and wages at Michaelmas last past, and to the said Richard Laurence and Rowland Forster, each of them £10 a year, for their fees and wages due by the said time in like manner as they have had and received by the year for their fees and wages in days past. The king, willing their contentment and payment in this part, commands the treasurer and chamberlains that, without delay, they content and pay in ready money to each of the said William, Richard and Rowland their said wages from Michaelmas 22 Edw. IV [1482] until Michaelmas last past, without prest or other charge to be set or laid upon them or any of them for the same. Given under the privy seal at the castle of Notingham [Nottingham]. Smyth.

Reference: E 404/78/2/44
Date: 23 Apr 1 Ric. III [1484].
Whereas of late in the time of Edward IV, by his command, Christopher Colyns, esquire, was sent unto the sea to take and oppress diverse rovers and ill-disposed persons of his subjects, who roved and despoiled all manner of ships then arriving unto the port of London. The said Christopher by the said command hired, prested and victualled in the port of Sandewiche [Sandwich] a caravel called *the Cristofer Lokwode* with 60 mariners, defensibly arrayed, and applied unto the sea on 17 Jan 22 Edw. IV [1483], and then and there took John Myles and others of his company, who robbed in the mouth of the Themese [Thames]. Whom with his said company he then brought unto London and has paid and expended about the same for wages, victuals and other necessary things over £3, to the said Christopher appointed for his reward the sum of £97. For contentment and payment of which sums

Edward IV assigned with his own hand and sign manual unto the said Christopher one bill in nature and form of a privy seal, directed to the treasurer and chamberlains of the Exchequer for the time being, charging them by the same that by way of assignment by tally or tallies in due form to have been levied upon the said Christopher and Thomas Cotton as collectors of the subsidy of 3s of the ton and 12d of the pound in the port of London, due contentment and payment should have been delivered to the said Christopher, as appears in the said bill. Howbeit the said Christopher has nothing of his said duty obtained by force of the same, as on the behalf of the said Christopher to the king it has been shown. The king, in consideration of the true and acceptable service of the said Christopher done to the king and hereafter to be done, commands the treasurer and chamberlains of the Exchequer that, by way of assignment by tally or tallies in due form to be made at the receipt upon the said Christopher Colyns and Thomas Cotton as collectors of the king's subsidies in the port of London, they pay and content the said sums to be taken of the king by way of reward without prest or other charge to be set or laid upon him for the same. Given under the privy seal at the castle of Notingham [Nottingham]. Smyth.

Reference: E 404/78/2/45
Date: 24 Apr 1 Ric. III [1484].
Forasmuch as the king, for diverse considerations specially moving him, has granted unto his trusty and well-beloved councillor, James, earl of Douglas, the sum of £42 17s 4d of the king's reward, the king therefore commands the treasurer and chamberlains of the Exchequer that they make unto the said earl sufficient assignment by tally or tallies at the receipt in due form to be levied for the same earl of and upon the receiver or receivers of the king's farms and fee farms for the time being, or upon such other place or places as shall be most for his sure and ready payment of the said sum of £42 17s 4d. And that tally or tallies so levied they are to deliver unto him, to be taken of the king's gift by way of reward without prest or other charge to be set upon him for the same in any way. Given under the privy seal at the king's castle of Notingham [Nottingham]. Smyth.

Reference: E 404/78/2/46
Date: 26 Apr 1 Ric. III [1484].
Whereas John Robynson, purser of the king's ship called *the Lucas*, by the king's command has employed about the manning, victualling and other necessary charges of the said ship the sum of £26 9s, and as by a bill, rehearsing the particular parcel of the same, which shall be shown unto the treasurer and chamberlains of the Exchequer by the said John, it appears. The king, willing the same John Robynson to have contentment of the said sum of £26 9s, commands the said treasurer and chamberlains that, incontinent upon the sight hereof, they content and pay unto him the said sum of £26 9s in ready money without any manner of prest or other charge to be set upon him for the same. Given under the privy seal at the king's castle of Notingham [Nottingham]. Nanby.

Reference: E 404/78/2/47
Date: 3 May 1 Ric. III [1484].
Whereas the king is indebted to Thomas Knight, esquire, in the sum of 200 marks money, lent and delivered to the king's own hands and expended diverse ways for the king's benefit and the defence of this realm, the king, willing his contentment thereof, commands the treasurer and chamberlains of the Exchequer that, at the receipt of the Exchequer they levy and strike out one tally or diverse tallies in due form for the said Thomas, containing the said sum of 200 marks, as money lent by him unto the king of and upon as well the disme late granted unto the king by the clergy of the province of Canterbury in any diocese or dioceses, archdeaconry or archdeaconries within the said province, as of all manner customs in every port and place within this realm, or either of them, for the sure contentment to be made to the said Thomas. And that tally or tallies so levied they are to deliver to the said Thomas without prest or other charge to be set or laid upon him in this part. Given under the privy seal at the city of York. Horwod.

Reference: E 404/78/2/48
Date: 5 May 1 Ric. III [1484].
Whereas the king, on 29 Mar last past, by his letters patent, out of his special grace, granted to John Cave, chaplain, warden of the chapel of the Blessed Virgin Mary of la Pewe, Westminster, a certain annuity of ten marks, to be received yearly until the king may take better provision otherwise, at Easter and Michaelmas by equal portions, just as in the said letters is more fully contained. The king commands the treasurer and chamberlains of the Exchequer that they pay to the same John the arrears of the said ten marks a year from the said 29 Mar from the treasury according to the tenor of the said letters. Witnessed by the king at Westminster. Ive.

Reference: E 404/78/2/49
Date: 7 May 1 Ric. III [1484].
Whereas Edward IV, by his letters patent, which Richard III has confirmed, granted to Vincent Tentler, esquire, for the exercise, service and occupation of the craft of an armourer of the same late king, £20 sterling, to be had and received yearly from Easter 23 Edw. IV [1483] during his life, at Michaelmas and Easter by equal portions, just as is more fully contained in the said letters and confirmation. The king commands the treasurer and chamberlains of the Exchequer that they pay to the same Vincent the arrears of the said £20 from the said Easter 23 Edw. IV [1483] according to the tenor of the said letters. Witnessed by the king at Westminster. Sharp.

Reference: E 404/78/2/50
Date: 12 May 1 Ric. III [1484].
Whereas Edward IV, on 2 Dec 19 Edw. IV [1479], by his letters patent, which Richard III confirmed, out of his special grace, amongst other things granted to William Tyler the office of being one of the four tellers of the Exchequer, then void by the death of Richard Sparke. To have and occupy the said office for the term of his life, receiving wages of 4½d a day at the receipt, just as in the said letters and confirmation is more fully contained. The king commands the treasurer and chamberlains that they pay to the same William the arrears of the said 4½d a day from the said 2 Dec from the treasury according to the tenor of the said letters and confirmation. Witnessed by the king at Westminster. Ive.

Reference: E 404/78/2/51
Date: 15 May 1 Ric. III [1484].
Whereas the king, on 15 Apr last past, by his letters patent, considering the good and laudable service by William Lacy lately done and hereafter to be done, granted to the same William the office of clerk of the king's council, to have, hold and occupy that office to the said William from 26 Jun 1 Ric. III [1483], during the king's pleasure, receiving yearly 40 marks of the rents, profits, issues, emoluments and revenues of the king's manor or lordship of Bradwell, Essex, coming or growing by the hands of the farmers, bailiffs, receivers or other occupiers of the said manor for the time being at Michaelmas and Easter by even portions, as appears in the said letters patent. And forasmuch as it is perfectly known to the king and his council that the said William Lacy from the said 26 Jun hitherto truly has occupied and exercised his said office and has received nothing of his said fee according to the king's grant, and for diverse causes thereof may not receive his said fee. The king, by the advice of his said council, commands the treasurer and chamberlains of the Exchequer that they, in ready money or by sufficient assignment, content and pay unto the said William Lacy the sum of 20 marks to be to him delivered of the king's gift by way of reward, without prest or other charge to be set upon him for the same. Given under the privy seal at the king's palace of Westminster. Smyth.

Reference: E 404/78/2/52
Date: 16 May 1 Ric. III [1484].
Whereas the king, on 28 Nov last past, by his letters patent, out of his special grace and in respect of charity, granted from his alms to the warden and convent of the Franciscan friars of Oxford 50 marks, to be received yearly at the receipt from Easter then last past during the king's pleasure at Michaelmas and Easter by equal portions, just as in the said letters is more fully contained. The king commands the treasurer and chamberlains that they pay to the same warden and convent the arrears of the said 50 marks a year for Easter last past from the treasury according to the tenor of the said letters. Witnessed by the king at Westminster. Bolton.

Reference: E 404/78/2/53
Date: 16 May 1 Ric. III [1484].
Whereas Edward IV, on 27 Jan 18 Edw. IV [1479], by his letters patent, which Richard III has confirmed, out of his special grace, certain knowledge and pure motion, granted to Sir John Asteley £60 a year, to be had and received every single year for the term of his life from the treasury at Easter and Michaelmas by equal portions, just as in the same letters and confirmation is more fully contained. The king commands the treasurer and chamberlains that they pay to the same John the arrears of the said £60 from the said 27 Jan from the treasury according to the tenor of the said letters and confirmation. Witnessed by the king at Westminster. Hanyngton.

Reference: E 404/78/2/54
Date: 20 May 1 Ric. III [1484].
Edward IV, by his letters patent, which Richard III has confirmed, out of his special grace, at the humble request of his beloved clerk, John de Hermestorp, then warden of the hospital of St Katherine by the Tower of London, granted to the same warden, the brothers and sisters of the same hospital one small piece of land next to the garden of the same hospital. Which same piece of land the king's progenitors, formerly kings of England, had together with other land, where a ditch around the said tower is dug, from the gift and grant of the warden, brothers and sisters of the said hospital for the time being. And the same progenitors of the king granted, in recompense of both the said piece and the other said land, to the said warden, brothers and sisters and their successors 73s 4d, to be received every single year at the Exchequer forever. To have and to hold to the same warden for the time being, the brothers and sisters and their successors in enlargement of their said garden forever, paying for the said piece of land 6s 8d a year at Michaelmas and Easter by equal portions, just as is more fully contained in the said letters and confirmation. The king commands the treasurer and chamberlains that they pay to William Wryxham, clerk, the now warden, and the brothers and sisters of the said hospital and their successors the arrears of the said 73s 4d a year, and the same 73s 4d from then on every single year at the said feasts from time to time from the treasury according to the tenor of the said letters and confirmation, receiving from the said warden, brothers and sisters from time to time their letters of acquittance, which will be sufficient for the king in this behalf. Witnessed by the king at Westminster. Wheler.

Reference: E 404/78/2/55
Date: 23 May 1 Ric. III [1484].
Whereas the king, lately by his letters patent, out of his special grace, granted to the prior and convent of the order of Dominican [friars] in Cambridge University 25 marks, to be received yearly at the Exchequer from his alms from Michaelmas 22 Edw. IV [1482] during the king's pleasure at Easter and Michaelmas by equal portions, just as is more fully contained in the said letters. The king commands the treasurer and chamberlains of the Exchequer that they pay to the same prior and convent the arrears of the said 25 marks a year from Michaelmas from the treasury according to the tenor of the said letters. Witnessed by the king at Westminster. Wheler.

Reference: E 404/78/2/56
Date: 30 May 1 Ric. III [1484].
Whereas Edward IV, late king of England, on 2 Mar 21 Edw. IV [1482], by his letters patent, which Richard III has confirmed, out of his special grace, granted to Miles Childe the office of being one of the four tellers in the Exchequer. To have, occupy and exercise that office for the term of his life, receiving wages of 4½d a day at the receipt, just as in the said letters and confirmation is more fully contained. The king commands the treasurer and chamberlains of the Exchequer that they pay to the same Miles the arrears of the said 4½d a day from the said 2 Mar from the treasury according to the tenor of the said letters. Witnessed by the king at Westminster. Ive.

Reference: E 404/78/2/57
Date: 20 Jun 1 Ric. III [1484].
Whereas the king, on 26 Jan last past, out of his special grace and in respect of charity, granted from his alms to the warden and convent of the Franciscan friars in Cambridge University 25 marks, to be received yearly at the receipt from Easter then last past, during the king's pleasure, at Michaelmas and Easter by equal portions, just as in the said letters patent is more fully contained. The king commands the treasurer and chamberlains that they pay to the same warden and convent the arrears of the said 25 marks a year for Easter last past from the treasury according to the tenor of the said letters. Witnessed by the king at Westminster. Bolton.

Reference: E 404/78/3/1
Date: 26 Jun 2 Ric. III [1484].
Whereas the king, on 9 Dec last past, by his letters patent, out of his special grace, granted to Philip Knyghton the office of being one of the four tellers of the Exchequer in the place of John Laurence. To have and occupy the said office for the term of the life of the same Philip, receiving wages of 4½d a day at the receipt, just as in the said letters is more fully contained. The king commands that the treasurer and chamberlains pay to the same Philip the arrears of the said 4½d a day from 9 Dec from the treasury according to the tenor of the said letters. Witnessed by the king at Westminster. Ive.

Reference: E 404/78/3/2
Date: 8 Jul 2 Ric. III [1484].
Whereas the king, on 26 Apr 1 Ric. III [1484], by his letters patent, out of his special grace, granted to William Morland, clerk, one of the clerks of the Chancery, £10, to be received yearly at the receipt at Michaelmas and Easter by equal portions, until the same William will have been promoted by the king to an ecclesiastical benefice of the value of £20 a year, just as is more fully contained in the said letters. The king commands that the treasurer and chamberlains pay to the said William the arrears of the said £10 a year and the same £10 a year from then on, every single year, until the said William will have been promoted, as aforesaid, from time to time at the said feasts according to the tenor of the said letters, receiving from the said William from time to time his letters of acquittance, which will be sufficient for the king in this behalf. Witnessed by the king at Westminster. Keler.

Reference: E 404/78/3/3
Date: 15 Jul 2 Ric. III [1484].
Whereas Lionel, bishop of Salisbury, for the manifold rebellions against the king and his royal dignity lately done, by the authority of his Parliament held at Westminster, forfeited to the king all the temporalities of his said bishopric. And for that cause the said temporalities have been seized into the king's hands, the king, considering the true and laudable service, which Thomas, bishop of St David's, has done to the king and intends hereafter to do, by his letters patent under the great seal, dated 15 Mar 1 Ric. III [1484], out of his special grace and mere motion, granted to the said bishop the said temporalities with all the advowsons of churches, collations of prebends and prebendaries, and of all other benefices by reason of the said temporalties appertaining to the said bishopric of Salesbury

[Salisbury]. To have and to hold to the said bishop without yielding anything to the king, as long as the said temporalities and other premises shall remain in the king's hands, as is contained in the said letters patent. And forasmuch as in the convocation of the clergy of the province of Canterbury held at the cathedral church of St Paul within the city of London in 1 Ric. III, a whole disme for the defence of the Church of England was granted, payable at certain terms, as before the said treasurer and barons of the Exchequer remains of record. And for that the said bishopric of Salesbury [Salisbury] is chargeable to the king in the sum of £100 as parcel of the said whole disme. The king, calling to remembrance the absence of the said bishop, being beyond the sea by the king's command for the king's great profit and pleasure commands the treasurer and chamberlains of the Exchequer that they, at the receipt of the Exchequer, in due form levy one tally or tallies of the said sum of £100 upon the disme of the said bishop of Salesbury [Salisbury], the which the king wills they deliver unto Master John Doget for the said bishop of St David's for his discharge and indemnity for the said whole disme, to have of the king's gift by way of reward, without prest or other charge to be set upon him for the same. Given under the privy seal at the city of York. Horwod.

Reference: E 404/78/3/4
Date: 29 Jun 2 Ric. III [1484].
Whereas Edward IV granted by his letters patent to Richard Laurence, then yeoman of his jewelhouse, £6 of an annuity for term of the life of the same Richard, to be had and perceived yearly by the hands of the abbot and convent of Shrewsbury of that £6, which the same abbot and convent paid yearly unto the king for the wood or hay called Lythewode [Lythwood], Salop, as in the same patent is contained more at large. Which patent the king has of new granted to the same Richard on 7 Jan last past. And forasmuch as the king has received of the said abbot and convent as well 60s of the said £6 due to the king at Michaelmas last past, as 32s 10d in part of payment of 60s for the term of Easter next following the said feast of Michaelmas. For the which two sums he has no sufficient warrant of discharge for the said abbot and convent to be had in the Exchequer. The king therefore commands the treasurer and chamberlains of the Exchequer that, in consideration of the true and faithful service of the said Richard to Edward IV long time done and also to the now king done and to be done, that they strike out two tallies at the said receipt in due form to be levied for the said Richard upon the said abbot and convent upon the said farm or fee farm of wood or hay called Lithewode [Lythwood], the one of them of 60s, to be levied in Easter term 1 Ric. III [1484], and the other of 62s 10d to be levied upon the sight hereof. And these two tallies so sufficiently levied for the same Richard, they are to deliver unto him of the king's reward without prest or other charge to be set or laid upon him for the same. Given under the privy seal at the king's castle of Notingham [Nottingham]. Smyth.

Reference: E 404/78/3/5
Date: 4 Aug 2 Ric. III [1484].
Forasmuch as the king is perfectly informed that, upon a reckoning late made between Edward IV and the mayor, fellowship and merchants of the staple at Caleis [Calais], the said Edward IV was found indebted unto the said mayor, fellowship and merchants in the sum of £2,616 10d sterling money as the rest of £21,000 to them late due by force of an act of Parliament for them thereupon made, over and above all manner of sums of money by them or any of them, by force of the said act retained, and over and above all deductions and defalcations of certain debentures not presented according to the tenor of the said act, and as is contained in the same act more at large. And for contentment and payment to be had of part of the said £2,616 10d sterling, the treasurer and chamberlains of the Exchequer for the time being, by command of Edward IV by force of his warrant under his privy seal, then of late directed, there was delivered unto the said mayor, fellowship and merchants a tally, amounting to the sum of £640 sterling, as at the receipt of the Exchequer on 7 Jun 21 Edw. IV [1481] more at large is contained of record. And forasmuch as the king has been informed that the treasurer of the town of Caleys [Calais] and marches there have received and yet receive Flemish money, whereof 25s make and amount in value to 20s sterling money and to no more sum, and no other

receipt can have yearly of the issues, profits and revenues of the said office of treasurership, so that the sum of £800 Flemish money after the rate of 25s amounts in value, but only to £640, by reason whereof the mayor, fellowship and merchants as by the office of treasurership shall be defalked of £160 in their said account. The king, not willing the said mayor, fellowship and merchants in any way to be abridged or hurt, commands the treasurer and chamberlains that, after the levy of the tally of the said £640, they, the said day, year and term, do levy another tally of the said sum of £160 by force of these letters. Given under the privy seal at the king's palace of Westminster. Smyth.

Reference: E 404/78/3/6
Date: 17 Aug 2 Ric. III [1484].
Forasmuch as the king, for diverse special causes and considerations, has granted to his trusty and well-beloved servant, John Hoton, one of the esquires for his body, the sum of £20, and to Robert Vaysy 10 marks. Wherefore, the king commands the treasurer and chamberlains of the Exchequer that, upon the sight hereof, they do levy a tally at the receipt of the Exchequer for the said John and Robert, as follows: Southampton: From the collector of the king's customs in the port of the vill of Southampton for the time being, there will be from the same customs £26 13s 4d. And that tally so levied they are to deliver to the said John Hoton and Robert Vaysy or to one of them, or to the bringer thereof in their names, to be taken of the king by way of reward without any prest or other charge to be set upon them for the same. Given under the privy seal at the king's palace of Westminster. Smyth.

Reference: E 404/78/3/7
Date: 18 Aug 2 Ric. III [1484].
Forasmuch as the king understands that Edmund Tankard, esquire, late servant to Edward IV, bought of the king's servant, Thomas Cole, serjeant skinner of London, by the command of Edward IV, pewter vessels, pits, pans, broaches, 'rakkes' and other necessaries and stuff for the king's kitchen within the lodge called the Tower in the Heath in the forest of Wyndesor [Windsor], amounting to the sum of £20 2s 8d. And also, by the command of Edward IV under his letters of privy seal, they were charged to satisfy and content the same Edmund thereof, whereof he is behind £8 8s, as by the said letters, resting of record in the same Exchequer, more plainly appears. The king, willing him to have contentment thereof, commands the treasurer and chamberlains of the Exchequer that, incontinent upon the sight hereof, they pay the said Edmund the said £8 8s. Given under the privy seal at the king's palace of Westminster. Horwod.

Reference: E 404/78/3/8
Date: 10 Oct 2 Ric. III [1484].
Whereas the king, on 22 Sep 1 Ric. III [1483], by his letters patent, granted to his councillor, Master Thomas Barowe, clerk, the office of keeper of the rolls, books and records of Chancery. By the same patent he further granted to the same Thomas the custody of the house or hospital of converts for the habitation of the keeper of the said rolls, books and records, disposed, limited and annexed by the king's progenitors from ancient times. To have, hold and occupy the said office and custody to the same Thomas for the term of the life of the same Robert with all rights and appurtenances belonging to the said office or house or hospital, receiving yearly in the said office wages, fees, rewards, commodities, emoluments and profits due and accustomed to the same office, just as other keepers were accustomed to receive before this time, just as in the said letters is more fully contained. The king commands the treasurer, barons and chamberlains of the Exchequer that they, when they account to the aforesaid keeper or his attorney for wages and fees both of the same keeper and of two chaplains and one clerk serving the said house, and also for the wages of John Sayt Edward of Westminster and Richard Beauchamp, converts of the said house, in the same manner as they were accustomed to account with the keeper of the said house for the time being for these wages and fees before this time. And they are to allow to the same keeper such fees and wages for himself, the said chaplains, clerk and converts, as were allowed to the keeper for the time being for these wages and

fees at the Exchequer before this time, and they are to pay to the said warden the arrears by this account for himself and for the said chaplains, clerk, John, Edward and Richard, from the said 22 Sep until 22 Sep last past. Witnessed by the king at Westminster. Curteis.
Dorse:
Enrolled among the records of Michaelmas term 2 Ric. III [1484] in the 3rd roll, on the part of the king's remembrancer.
By pretext of this writ there is accounted at the Exchequer of accounts with Master Thomas Barowe, clerk, keeper of the rolls, books and records of Chancery, and of the house of converts of London, both from the fees and wages of the same keeper at 20 marks a year, and of the two chaplains each at £4 a year, and of one clerk at two marks a year, serving the said house of converts, and also from the wages of John Seyt Edward of Westminster and Richard Beauchamp, converts of the said house, each at 1½d a day, from 22 Sep 1 Ric. III [1483] until 22 Sep then next following. Which same account is enrolled in the 2nd roll of the said king in the roll of accounts. And there are owed to him by the said account £29 10s 2½d.

Reference: E 404/78/3/9
Date: 16 Oct 2 Ric. III [1484].
Whereas William Wilcokes, controller of the king's subsidies in the port of London, has by the king's command laid out and paid for certain things by him and others bought for the king and to his use, as follows:

1. 2,227 poundweight of saltpetre, each pound worth 7d, amounting to the sum of £64 19s 1d.
2. In ready money to Robert Appelby, yeoman of the king's wardrobe, £16 18s 4d, to be employed by the said Robert upon certain clothes of velvet and silk to the king's use.
3. 19 pieces of fine Holland cloth, containing 612½ ells, each ell worth 2s, amounting to the sum of £61 4s 9d.

All which sums amount in the whole to £143 2s 2d. The king, willing the said William to have thereof due contentment and payment, commands the treasurer and chamberlains of the Exchequer that they, at the receipt of the Exchequer, do levy and strike out in due form one tally or diverse tallies, containing the said sum of £143 2s 2d of and upon the subsidies in the said port of London, to be had and perceived by the hands of the collectors of the same that now be and that for the time shall be. And that tally or tallies so levied they are to deliver unto the said William for his contentment of the said £143 2s 2d, without prest or other charge to be had or set upon him in this part. Given under the privy seal at the king's castle of Notingham [Nottingham]. Horwod.

Reference: E 404/78/3/10
Date: 10 Nov 2 Ric. III [1484].
Whereas the king, on 26 Jan 1 Ric. III [1484], out of his special grace and in respect of charity, granted from his alms to the warden and convent of Franciscan friars in Cambridge University 25 marks, to be received yearly at the receipt from Easter now last past during the king's pleasure at Michaelmas and Easter by equal portions, just as in letters patent thereupon completed is more fully contained. The king commands the treasurer and chamberlains to pay to the same warden and convent the arrears of the said 25 marks a year from Michaelmas last past from the treasury according to the tenor of the said letters. Witnessed by the king at Westminster. Bolton.

Reference: E 404/78/3/11
Date: 10 Nov 2 Ric. III [1484].
Whereas the king, on 28 Nov 1 Ric. III [1483], out of his special grace and in respect of charity, granted from his alms to the warden and convent of Franciscan friars in Oxford 50 marks, to be received yearly at the receipt from Easter 1 Ric. III [1484] during the king's pleasure at Michaelmas and Easter by equal portions, just as in letters patent thereupon completed is more fully contained. The king commands the treasurer and chamberlains to pay to the same warden and convent the arrears of the said 50

marks a year from Michaelmas last past from the treasury according to the tenor of the said letters. Witnessed by the king at Westminster. Bolton.

Reference: E 404/78/3/12
Date: 12 Nov 2 Ric. III [1484].
Whereas the king, on 22 May last past, out of his special grace, granted to the prior and convent of the order of Dominican friars in Cambridge University 25 marks, to be received yearly from the king's alms from Michaelmas 22 Edw. IV [1482] during the king's pleasure at Michaelmas and Easter by equal portions, towards the aid of supporting the doctrine of the Catholic faith and specially to pray for the king's good state and the souls of his progenitors, just as in letters patent thereupon completed is more fully contained. The king commands the treasurer and chamberlains of the Exchequer that they pay to the same prior and convent the arrears of the said 25 marks a year from Michaelmas last past from the treasury according to the tenor of the said letters. Witnessed by the king at Westminster. Wodward.

Reference: E 404/78/3/13
Date: 28 Nov 2 Ric. III [1484].
Whereas the king has appointed and ordained Sir Thomas Markynfeld to be sheriff of the county of York for this year now next ensuing, in the which office he shall have and sustain great losses, costs and charges to his great hurt, unless the king's special grace is shown unto him in that behalf. The king, intending to provide for his indemnity therein, of his special grace and mere motion, commands that the treasurer and chamberlains of the Exchequer make assignment to the said Sir Thomas of the sum of £340 by tally or tallies to be levied upon him at the receipt of the Exchequer as sheriff of the said county, to be had and received of the farms, issues and profits of his bailiwick by way of reward. And that tally or tallies so levied they are to deliver to the said Sir Thomas without any prest or other charge to be set upon him in any way. Given under the privy seal at the king's palace of Westminster. Bele.

Reference: E 404/78/3/14
Date: 29 Nov 2 Ric. III [1484].
The king commands the treasurer and chamberlains to deliver from the treasury to Richard Skypton, clerk of the petty bag in Chancery, among the labours and troubles, which he had around the writings and examinations of original extracts of Chancery from Michaelmas 1 Ric. III [1483] until Michaelmas last past, £10 of sterling, which are due to him and in arrears for the said time, in the same manner as other clerks of the petty bag before him were accustomed to have for examinations and writings of these extracts before this time. Witnessed by the king at Westminster. Barowe.

Reference: E 404/78/3/15
Date: 30 Nov 2 Ric. III [1484].
Whereas the king has appointed and ordained Richard Boughton, esquire, to be sheriff of the counties of Warwick and Leicester for this year now next ensuing, in the which office he shall have and sustain great losses, costs and charges to his great hurt, unless the king's special grace is shown unto him in that behalf. The king, intending to provide for his indemnity therein, of his special grace and mere motion, commands that the treasurer and chamberlains of the Exchequer make assignment to the same Richard of the sum of £160 by tally or tallies to be levied upon him at the receipt of the Exchequer as sheriff of the said counties, to be had and received of the issues of his bailiwick. And that tally or tallies so levied they are to deliver unto him of the king's reward without any prest or other charge to be set upon him for the same. Given under the privy seal at the king's palace of Westminster. Bele.

Reference: E 404/78/3/16
Date: 30 Nov 2 Ric. III [1484].
Whereas the king has appointed Richard Burton, esquire, to be sheriff of the county of Northampton for the year now next ensuing, in the which office he shall have great losses, costs and charges to his great hurt, unless the king's special grace is shown unto him in that behalf. The king, willing him to be recompensed, commands that the treasurer and chamberlains of the Exchequer make assignment to the same Richard of the sum of £100 by tally or tallies to be levied upon him at the receipt of the Exchequer after the tenures, as follows:

1. Northampton: From Richard Burton, sheriff, from the issues of his bailiwick £85 13¼d.
2. From the heirs of William le Marescall from the farm of land of Norton 54s.
3. Northampton: From the sheriff for the time being from the remains of £11 15s 6½d from the very small parts of his serjeanty, £4 13s 5¼d.
4. Northampton: From Nicholas, son and heir of Thomas, son of Hugh Chanceux, for the abbot of St James without Northampton, 40s.
5. Northampton: From Thomas, son of William Curson of Crouxhale [Croxall], from the fee farm from the rent of his serjeanty, which was of Nicholas de Archer from the manor of Sybertoft [Sibbertoft], 53s 1½d.
6. Northampton: From the abbot of Evesham from the remains of the hundred of Falwesley [Fawsley] 58s 4d, for Richard Burton, esquire, of reward.

And the tallies so levied they are to deliver unto the said Richard without any prest or other charge to be set upon him for the same. Given under the privy seal at the king's palace of Westminster.

Reference: E 404/78/3/17
Date: 30 Nov 2 Ric. III [1484].
Whereas the king has appointed Robert Cresset, esquire, to be sheriff of the county of Shropshire for this year now next ensuing, in the which office he shall have and sustain great losses, costs and charges to his great hurt, unless the king's special grace is shown unto him in that behalf. The king, intending to provide for his indemnity therein, of his special grace and mere motion, commands that the treasurer and chamberlains of the Exchequer make assignment to the said Robert of the sum of £100 by tally or tallies to be levied upon him at the receipt of the Exchequer as sheriff of the said county, to be had and received of the farms, issues and profits of his bailiwick by way of reward. And that tally or tallies so levied they are to deliver to the same Robert without prest or other charge to be set upon him for the same. Given under the privy seal at the king's palace of Westminster. Horwod.

Reference: E 404/78/3/18
Date: 30 Nov 2 Ric. III [1484].
Whereas the king has appointed and ordained Sir John Don to be sheriff of the counties of Bedford and Buckingham for this year now next ensuing, in the which office he shall have and sustain great losses, costs and charges to his great hurt, unless the king's special grace is shown unto him in that behalf. The king, intending to provide for his indemnity therein, of his special grace and mere motion, commands that the treasurer and chamberlains of the Exchequer make assignment to the same Sir John Don of the sum of £70 by tally or tallies to be levied upon him at the receipt of the Exchequer as sheriff of the said counties, to be had and received of the farms, issues and profits of his bailiwick by way of reward. And that tally or tallies so levied they are to deliver unto him without any prest or other charge to be set upon him in any way. Given under the privy seal at the king's palace of Westminster. Bele.

Reference: E 404/78/3/19
Date: 30 Nov 2 Ric. III [1484].
Whereas the king has ordained and appointed Nicholas Mountgomery, esquire, to be sheriff of the counties of Nottingham and Derby for this year now next ensuing, in the which office he shall have

and sustain great losses, costs and charges to his great hurt, unless the king's special grace is shown unto him in that behalf. The king, intending to provide for his indemnity therein, of his special grace and mere motion, commands that the treasurer and chamberlains of the Exchequer make assignment to the said Nicholas of the sum of £100 by tally or tallies to be levied upon him at the receipt of the Exchequer as sheriff of the said counties, to be had and received of the issues and profits of his bailiwick by way of reward. And that tally or tallies so levied they are to deliver unto him without prest or other charge to be set upon him for the same in any way. Given under the privy seal at the king's palace of Westminster. Horwod.

Reference: E 404/78/3/20
Date: 30 Nov 2 Ric. III [1484].
Whereas the king has appointed and ordained John Pylton, esquire, to be sheriff of the county of Rutland for this year now next ensuing, in the which office he shall have and sustain great losses, costs and charges to his great hurt, unless the king's special grace is shown unto him in that behalf. The king, intending to provide for his indemnity therein, of his special grace and mere motion, commands that the treasurer and chamberlains of the Exchequer make assignment to the said John of the sum of £13 6s 8d by tally or tallies to be levied upon him at the receipt of the Exchequer as sheriff of the said county, to be had and received of the farms, issues and profits of his bailiwick by way of reward. And that tally or tallies so levied they are to deliver to the same John without prest or other charge to be set upon him in any way. Given under the privy seal at the king's palace of Westminster. Horwod.

Reference: E 404/78/3/21
Date: 1 Dec 2 Ric. III [1484].
Whereas Edward IV by his letters patent, which Richard III on 3 Sep last past confirmed, on 7 Jan 18 Edw. IV [1479], granted to Sir John Asteley £60 a year, to be had and received every single year for the term of his life from the treasury at Easter and Michaelmas by equal portions, just as in the same letters and confirmation is more fully contained. The king commands the treasurer and chamberlains to pay to the same John the said £60 from the treasury according to the tenor of the said letters and confirmation. Witnessed by the king at Westminster. Hanyngton.

Reference: E 404/78/3/22
Date: 3 Dec 2 Ric. III [1484].
Whereas the king has appointed and ordained Sir Marmaduke Constable to be sheriff of the county of Stafford for this year now next ensuing, in the which office he shall have and sustain great losses, costs and charges to his great hurt, unless the king's special grace is shown unto him in that behalf. The king, intending to provide for his indemnity therein, of his special grace and mere motion, commands that the treasurer and chamberlains of the Exchequer make assignment to the said Sir Marmaduke of the sum of £100 by tally or tallies to be levied upon him at the receipt of the Exchequer as sheriff of the said county, to be had and received of the farms, issues and profits of his bailiwick by way of reward. And that tally or tallies so levied they are to deliver to the said Sir Marmaduke without prest or other charge to be set upon him in any way. Given under the privy seal at the king's palace of Westminster. Smyth.

Reference: E 404/78/3/23
Date: 5 Dec 2 Ric. III [1484].
Whereas the king has appointed Robert Brakenbury, esquire, to be sheriff of the county of Kent for the year now next ensuing, in the which office he shall have and sustain great losses, costs and charges to his great hurt, unless the king's special grace is shown unto him in that behalf. The king, intending to provide for his indemnity therein, of his special grace and mere motion, commands that the treasurer and chamberlains of the Exchequer make assignment to the said Robert of the sum of £100 by tally or tallies to be levied upon him at the receipt of the Exchequer as sheriff of the said county, to be had

and received of the farms, issues and profits of his bailiwick by way of reward. And that tally or tallies so levied they are to deliver to the said Robert without prest or other charge to be set upon him in any way. Given under the privy seal at the king's palace of Westminster. Smyth.

Reference: E 404/78/3/24
Date: 12 Dec 2 Ric. III [1484].
Whereas the king has ordained and appointed Sir Richard Croft, treasurer of the king's household, to be sheriff of the county of Hereford for this year now next ensuing, in the which office he shall have and sustain great losses, costs and charges to his great hurt, unless the king's special grace is shown unto him in that behalf. The king, intending to provide for his indemnity therein, of his special grace and mere motion, commands that the treasurer and chamberlains of the Exchequer make assignment to the said Richard of the sum of £50 by tally or tallies to be levied upon him at the receipt of the Exchequer as sheriff of the said county, to be had and received of the issues and profits of his bailiwick by way of reward. And that tally or tallies so levied they are to deliver unto him without prest or other charge to be set upon him in any way. Given under the privy seal at the king's palace of Westminster. Horwod.

Reference: E 404/78/3/25
Date: 19 Dec 2 Ric. III [1484].
Whereas the king's trusty servant, Thomas Grayson, one of the customers in the ports of Excestre [Exeter] and Dertemouth [Dartmouth] in March 23 Edw. IV, manned, armed, victualled and arrayed eight ships in the ports of Fowey and Dertmouth [Dartmouth] for the subduing of Stephen Bull and John a Grene, mariners and others in their company, rovers upon the sea in the parts of the west. Whom the said ships took and subdued, and employed and spent in wages, victuals and other necessaries, habiliments of war, of and for the said eight ships, the sum of £150, as appears by indentures made between the masters and captains of the said ship and the said Thomas Grayson. And of the which sum of £150, the said Thomas has received of Edward IV £100, and so there remains due unto him the sum of £50. And over that the said Thomas Grayson, in Oct 1 Ric. III [1483], armed, manned and victualled a ship with 80 men in the west parts of this realm out of the port of Exmouth for the resistance of the king's rebels and traitors, and has employed upon the same the sum of 100 marks. And also in November then next following the said Thomas gave rewards of the sum of £40, as well unto 100 men of war, being upon the sea in diverse ships in the said parts of the west, to the intent that they should put them to take and resist the earl of Richmond and other the king's rebels and traitors in his company, then being upon the sea, as to diverse other persons assigned to 'aspie' by the said coasts the malicious dispositions of the king's said rebels in the same. Which sums amount in all to the sum of £156 13s 4d. The king, willing him thereof to be contented and paid, commands the treasurer and chamberlains of the Exchequer that they content and pay unto the said Thomas the said sum of £156 13s 4d by way of assignment by tally or tallies in due form to be levied upon the said Thomas Grayson and Robert Code, collectors of the said ports of Excestre [Exeter] and Dertmouth [Dartmouth], or upon the collectors of the king's customs and subsidies in the said ports for the time being, and for the same Thomas Grayson. The which tallies so levied the king commands that they deliver unto him without prest or other charge to be set upon him for the same. Given under the privy seal at the king's palace of Westminster.

Reference: E 404/78/3/26
Date: 19 Dec 2 Ric. III [1484].
Forasmuch as it has been shown unto the king by the full humble supplication of Anthony Kele of Andwarp [Antwerp] in Braband [Brabant], merchant, subject to the king's cousin, the duke of Austriche [Austria] and Bourgoigne [Burgundy], how that he, at his great costs and charges, has sued unto the king and the lords of his council by the space of seven months and more, for restitution to be made unto him of and for 92 tons of wine of red, white and claret, and for other goods and

merchandises to the value in all of £775 sterling. Which said wines, goods and merchandises, on 12 Mar last past, between Dovorr [Dover] and Sandewiche [Sandwich] out of two ships, *viz the Barke* of Barowe [Barrow] and a ship of Harlam [Haarlem], coming towards the king's port of London there to be discharged, were taken by a ship of war of the duke of Albany, wherein diverse of the king's subjects were soldiers and mariners, which took the said Anthony and diverse other of his company prisoners and kept them in great duress by the space of six weeks and more, and conveyed all the said wines, goods and merchandises and the said prisoners into the 'Rode of Harwiche' [Harwich], and there sold and delivered the said wines, as by evident proof before the king and his council the said Anthony has duly proved. The king, having tender respect to the league and amity had and continued between him and his said cousin, not willing any breach to be had, of his special grace and by the advice of the council, has provided restitution to be had and made unto the said Anthony and all others to whom any interest belongs in the premises. And of his special grace and mere motion he has given unto the said Anthony the sum of £612 18d in full recompense and satisfaction of all the said hurts and damages, *viz* the sum of £462 18d thereof of the king's subsidy of 3s of the ton and 12d of the pound in the port of London, and £100 upon the king's petty custom in the said port by the hands of the collectors of the said subsidy and petty custom in the said port of London. The king commands the treasurer and chamberlains of the Exchequer that, by way of assignment by several tallies at the receipt in due form to be made after the tenor following, they content and pay the said £612 18d, *viz* five tallies each of £80, and one tally of £62 18d, to be levied upon the collectors of the king's subsidy of 3s of the ton and 12d of the pound in the port of London for the time being. And five other tallies, each of £20, to be levied upon the collectors of the king's petty custom in the said port of London for the time being. And those tallies so levied they are to deliver unto the said Anthony without prest or other charge to be set upon him for the same. Given under the privy seal at the king's palace of Westminster. Horwod.

Reference: E 404/78/3/27
Date: 20 Dec 2 Ric. III [1484].
Forasmuch as the king certainly knows that unto his well-beloved subject Hugh Lawton, one of the keepers of the waterside in the office of the king's custom and subsidy within the port of London, 100s sterling rests due and unpaid for his true service and attendance done in that occupation by the space of a year and a quarter, *viz* from 9 Apr 22 Edw. IV [1482] until Midsummer 1 Ric. III, taking £4 a year. The king, having regard to his said service and willing him to have contentment of the said 100s for the said space, commands the treasurer and chamberlains of the Exchequer that, immediately after the sight of these letters, they, at the receipt of the Exchequer, do strike out a tally, containing the said sum of 100s, to be levied upon the customers of the king's petty custom in the said port of London. And that tally so levied they are to deliver unto the said Hugh Lawton, to be had of the king by way of reward without any prest or other charge to be set upon him for the said sum or any parcel thereof. Given under the privy seal at the king's palace of Westminster. Horwod.

Reference: E 404/78/3/28
Date: 23 Dec 2 Ric. III [1484].
Whereas Edward IV, on 19 Mar 23 Edw. IV [1483], by his letters patent, which Richard III confirmed on 9 Mar last past, appointed and ordained Vincent Tentler as his armourer for the term of his life, and also from his special grace granted to the same Vincent for the exercise and execution of his said craft £20 sterling, to be had and received yearly from Easter then last past, from the same 19 Mar, when the same Vincent occupied that office or craft, during his said life at Michaelmas and Easter by equal portions, just as in the said letters and confirmation is more fully contained. The king commands the treasurer and chamberlains that they pay to the same Vincent the arrears of the said £20 a year from Easter then last past according to the tenor of the said letters and confirmation, receiving from the said Vincent his letters of acquittance, which will be sufficient for the king in this behalf. Witnessed by the king at Westminster. Sharp.

Reference: E 404/78/3/29
Date: 29 Dec 2 Ric. III [1484].
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Whereas Edward IV, in consideration of the good and continued service of his well-beloved servant, Thomas Rogger, by his letters patent 12 Dec 20 Edw. IV [1480], granted to the said Thomas the office of keeper or clerk of his ships within the realm of England for the term of his life. And over that he granted to the said Thomas … … wages in the same office and 6d a day for the wages of a clerk under him in the same office, to be had and received … … for the term of his life of all manner of customs and subsidies in the ports of Excestre [Exeter] and Dertmouth [Dartmouth] by the hands of the collectors or customers of the same customs and subsidies there for the time being at Easter and Michaelmas. Forasmuch as by the command or appointment of Edward IV it should happen the said Thomas, about emptions and provisions of all manner of … … diverse times of the year to ride, he granted to the said Thomas over and above his daily wages 2s a day for … … said occupation and provision should happen to rise. To be had and received to the said Thomas for his reward in such occupation in his said office from the customs and subsidies in the said ports by the hands of the collectors and customers there for the time being, with all other profits and commodities due and accustomed. The which office the king perfectly knows that the said Thomas has all times since the death of Edward IV duly exercised by the king's command to his great pleasure and profit for the safeguard of this realm. Howbeit he has not had of the king any … … of his said office upon the grant of Edward IV, but forasmuch as the king tenderly calls to his remembrance the true diligence and faithful service the said Thomas Roger in the said office had and done without fee and reward for the same since the death of Edward IV, *viz* throughout the space of one year and a half and 52 days, which amounts in money to the sum of £44 18s 3s. The king commands the treasurer and chamberlains of the Exchequer that they, at the receipt of the Exchequer by way of assignment, cause tallies in due form to be levied upon the collectors of the king's customs and subsidies in the ports of Excestre [Exeter] and Dertmothe [Dartmouth] for the time being, and shall make due payment as well of the said sum of £44 18s 3d for the said Thomas Rogger for the said causes and considerations, and of the sum of £20, which the king by way of reward has given to him in consideration of the great costs and charges by him had and borne at diverse times riding unto diverse and sundry ports of this realm for the accomplishment of the king's commands in his said office during the aforesaid time. Which tallies so levied they are to deliver to the said Thomas Roger without prest or any other charge to be set upon him for the same. Given under the privy seal at the king's palace of Westminster. Smyth.

Reference: E 404/78/3/30
Date: 31 Dec 2 Ric. III [1484].
Whereas the king, on 16 Feb 1 Ric. III [1484], by his letters patent, out of his special grace, granted to his beloved servant, Robert Bolman a certain annuity of £5, to be received every single year from Michaelmas then last past at the receipt of the Exchequer at Easter and Michaelmas by equal portions, until the same Robert will have been promoted by the king to the office or offices of a greater yearly value. And because the rolls of Chancery have been searched and it is not found in them that the same Robert has been promoted by the king to the office or offices of the yearly value of £5 or greater, the king commands the treasurer and chamberlains of the Exchequer that they pay to the same Robert the arrears of the said £5 a year from Michaelmas 1 Ric. III [1483] from the treasury according to the tenor of the said letters. Witnessed by the king at Westminster. Curteis.

Reference: E 404/78/3/31
Date: 9 Jan 2 Ric. III [1485].
Whereas the king has ordained and appointed Sir Robert Percy, controller of the king's house, to be sheriff of the counties of Essex and Hertford for this year now next ensuing, in the which office he shall have and sustain great losses, costs and charges to his great hurt, unless the king's special grace is

shown unto him in that behalf. The king, intending to provide for his indemnity therein, of his special grace and mere motion, commands that the treasurer and chamberlains of the Exchequer make assignment to the same Robert of £198 by tally or tallies to be levied upon him at the receipt of the Exchequer as sheriff of the said counties, to be had and received of the issues and profits of his bailiwick by way of reward. And that tally or tallies so levied they are to deliver unto him without any prest or other charge to be set upon him for the same. Given under the privy seal at the king's palace of Westminster. Horwod.

Reference: E 404/78/3/32
Date: 15 Jan 2 Ric. III [1485].
Whereas the king is indebted unto Lewes Bragadyne, Anthony Baveryne, Stephen Cateryne and Pancras Justynyan, merchants of Venice, in the sum of £140 6s for 3,008 bowstaves by the king of them severally bought after the rate of £4 13s 4d the hundred, *viz* of the said Lewes 1,408 bowstaves, worth £65 12s 8d, of the said Anthony 1,000 bowstaves worth £46 13s 4d, of the said Stephen 300 bowstaves worth £14, and of the said Pancras 300 bowstaves worth £14. Which bowstaves by the king's command were severally delivered into the town of Suthampton [Southampton] unto his servant Henry Braythwayte to the king's use. For contentment and payment whereof, out of the king's special grace, the king commands the treasurer and chamberlains of the Exchequer that, incontinent upon the sight of these letters, they do strike out at the receipt four tallies in due form to be levied for the said merchants, as follows:

1. One tally, containing £65 12s 8d upon the collectors of the customs and subsidies within the port of Suthampton [Southampton], from the custom and subsidies of the goods and merchandises of Peter Conteryne, merchant of Venice, alien, lately shipped there, for the said Lewes Bragadyne.
2. Another tally, containing £46 13s 4d upon the said collectors, from the customs and subsidies of the goods and merchandises of Anthony Baveryne, merchant of Venice, alien, lately shipped there, for the same Anthony.
3. Another tally, containing £14 upon the said collectors, from the customs and subsidies of the goods and merchandises of Stephen Cateryne, merchant of Venice, alien, lately shipped there, for the same Stephen.
4. A fourth tally, containing £14 upon the said collectors from the customs and subsidies of the goods and merchandises of Pancras Justynyan, merchant of Venice, alien, lately shipped there, for the same Pancras.

And these tallies so levied, they are to severally deliver unto the said Lewes Bragadyne, Anthony Baveryne, Stephen Cateryne and Pancras Justynyan for contentment and payment of their several duties as above is expressed without prest or other charge to be set upon them for the same. Given under the privy seal at the king's castle of Wyndesore [Windsor]. Smyth.

Reference: E 404/78/3/33
Date: 20 Jan 2 Ric. III [1485].
Whereas the king is indebted to William Capell of London, draper, and Thomas Pays of the same, skinner, in the sum of £50 5s 4d, *viz* to the said William Capell for certain cloths of velvet, satin and chamelet by him delivered at the king's command and special desire to the king's brother John, duke of Suffolk, £33 9s 4d; and to the said Thomas Pays for furs of 'Martrous' [martrix ie marten] and Bogy [budge ie lambskin'] by him also delivered at the king's command, £16 16s. The king, willing them to have due contentment in this behalf, commands the treasurer and chamberlains of the Exchequer that they strike out two several tallies in due form to be levied upon the collectors of the petty custom in the port of London for the time being of the same custom, one of the said tallies for the said William Capell, containing the said sum of £33 9s 4d, and the other tally for the said Thomas Pays, containing the said sum of £16 16s. And those tallies so levied they are to deliver severally to the said William

Capell and Thomas Pays in full contentment of their said duty without prest or other charge to be set upon them for the same. Given under the privy seal at the city of London. Horwod.

Reference: E 404/78/3/34
Date: 23 Jan 2 Ric. III [1485].
Whereas Edward IV, on 2 Mar 21 Edw. IV [1482], by his letters patent, which Richard III has confirmed, out of his special grace, granted amongst other things to Miles Childe the office of being one of the four tellers of the Exchequer, to have, occupy and exercise that office for the term of his life, receiving wages of 4½d a day, just as in the said letters and confirmation is more fully contained. The king orders the treasurer and chamberlains that they make payment of the arrears of the said 4½d a day according to the tenor of the said letters and confirmation. Witnessed by the king at Westminster. [Ive]

Reference: E 404/78/3/35
Date: 23 Jan 2 Ric. III [1485].
Whereas the king, on 9 Dec 1 Ric. III [1483], by his letters patent, out of his special grace, granted amongst other things to Philip Knyghton the office of being one of the four tellers of the Exchequer … … John Laurence, to have and occupy that office for the term of the life of the same Philip, receiving wages of 4½d a day, just as in the said letters is more fully contained. The king orders the treasurer and chamberlains that they make payment to the same Philip of the arrears of the said 4½d a day from the said 9 Dec according to the tenor of the said letters. Witnessed by the king at Westminster. Ive.

Reference: E 404/78/3/36
Date: 23 Jan 2 Ric. III [1485].
Whereas Edward IV, on 2 Dec 19 Edw. IV [1479], by his letters patent, which Richard III has confirmed, granted amongst to William Tyler the office of being one of the four tellers of the Exchequer, void by the death of Richard Sparke, to have and occupy that office for the term of his life, receiving wages of 4½d a day, just as in the said letters and confirmation is more fully contained. The king orders the treasurer and chamberlains that they make payment of the arrears of the said 4½d a day from the said 2 Dec from the treasury according to the tenor of the said letters and confirmation. Witnessed by the king at Westminster. Ive

Reference: E 404/78/3/37
Date: 24 Jan 2 Ric. III [1485].
Whereas the king has appointed and ordained Sir John Huddelston, knight for the king's body, to be sheriff of the counties of Huntingdon and Cambridge for this year now next ensuing, in the which office he shall have and sustain great costs, losses and charges to his great hurt, unless the king's special grace is shown unto him in that behalf. The king, intending to provide for his indemnity therein, of his special grace and mere motion, commands that the treasurer and chamberlains of the Exchequer make assignment to the said Sir John of 100 marks by tally or tallies to be levied upon him at the receipt of the Exchequer as sheriff of the said counties, to be had and received of the farms, issues and profits of his bailiwick by way of reward. And that tally or tallies so levied they are to deliver unto him without any prest or other charge to be set upon him for the same. Given under the privy seal at the city of London. Horwod.

Reference: E 404/78/3/38
Date: 25 Jan 2 Ric. III [1485].
Whereas the king has appointed and ordained Sir Thomas Cornewaile to be sheriff of the county of Hereford for this year now next ensuing, in the which office he has had great losses, costs and charges to his great hurt, unless the king's special grace is shown unto him in that behalf. The king, intending him to be recompensed, commands that the treasurer and chamberlains of the Exchequer make assignment in due form unto the said Sir Thomas of the sum of £26 6s 2d by tallies, dated 20 Nov

1 Ric. III [1483], in several forms to be levied for him of reward at the receipt of the Exchequer, as follows:

1. Hereford: From Sir Thomas Cornewaile, sheriff, from the rent of diverse new increments in the said county, *viz* from certain tenements in Irchenfeld [Archenfield], 20 marks.
2. Hereford: from Sir Thomas Cornewaile, sheriff, from the very small parts of purpresture, 47s 6d.
3. Hereford: From the farmer or occupier of a certain assart in Maworthyn [Marden] from his farm, 10s.
4. Hereford: From William Bray from the rent of six virgates of land and half a hide of his serjeanty in 'Aliementum', 24s.
5. Hereford: From William Trillek from the rent of land, which was of Wyganus, son of Paganus, 10s.
6. Hereford: From the farmer or occupier of 15 acres of land of 7s rent in 'Netherbolyngesthorp' from his farm, 13s 4d.
7. Hereford: From the farmer or occupier of certain pannage in the forest of la Hay [Haye/Haywood] from a certain place called 'le Strode' from the same, 27s.
8. Hereford: From the farmer or occupier of one messuage, 100 acres of land and 10 acres of meadow in the vill of Markeley [Marcle?], and other lands and tenements in Stretton and elsewhere from his farm, 67s 8d.
9. Hereford: From the farmer or occupier of the manor of Penyerd [Penyard] from his farm and arrears 60s.

And the tallies in due form levied they are to deliver unto the said Sir Thomas without any prest or other charge to be set upon him. Given under the privy seal at the city of London. Smyth.

Reference: E 404/78/3/39
Date: 27 Jan 2 Ric. III [1485].
Whereas it is so that Edward IV was indebted to Sir William Heryott in the sum of £97 3s 1d, as by three several tallies levied at the receipt of his Exchequer, *viz* two of them levied on 5 Mar 23 Edw. IV [1483], containing the sum of £72 14s 8d; and the third tally levied on 7 Jun in 21 Edw. IV [1481], containing the sum of £24 8s 5d, as more plainly in the books of his said receipt appears. And forasmuch as the said William Heryott should have had payment or else retained in his hands the said sums of his own goods and merchandises in the ports of Southampton and London shipped or to be shipped by virtue of the said tallies, and has not, but at the king's contemplation and desire paid and contented the said sums unto the customers for the time being in the said ports unto the king's behoof for diverse great charges and expenses for the king had against his coronation. The king, willing the said Sir William Heryott to have repayment of the said sums and every parcel thereof, commands the treasurer and chamberlains of the Exchequer that they, upon the sight of these letters, strike out at the receipt of the Exchequer a tally or tallies in due form to be levied for the said Sir William Heryot, *viz* of £97 3s 1d. And that tally or tallies so levied they are to deliver to the same William for contentment of his said duty, without prest or other charge to be set upon him for the same. Forseeing always that they receive the said three tallies levied in the days of Edward IV and cause them with the foils of the same to be 'dampned' in the books of the said receipt. Given under the privy seal at the king's palace of Westminster. Smyth.

Reference: E 404/78/3/40
Date: 31 Jan 2 Ric. III [1485].
Whereas the king is indebted to Ralph Astry and William Gaske, merchants of London, in the sum of £100 by the king's command by them employed for the rigging and preparing of the king's ship called *the Gracedieu* out of the port of Dertmouth [Dartmouth] this summer last past, to arise from thence to the port of Southampton, and from thence to have been charged into the parts of Italie [Italy]. Howbeit the king otherwise advertised by the advice of his council appointed and commanded Lord

Scrope, captain, and others in his company in the said ship, for the safekeeping of the sea and the defence of this realm against the malicious disposition of the king's rebels and traitors being beyond the sea. And also, whereas the king is indebted as well unto the said Ralph Astry as unto Guy Wolston, esquire, Thomas Grafton and John Baxster, merchants of London, in the sum of £600 for so much money by the king to them due for the king's ship called *the Governor*, late of them bought for the said sum, the king, willing the said Ralph Astry and William Gaske to be fully contented and paid of the said £100, and also the said Ralph Astry, Guy Wolston, Thomas Grafton and John Baxster to have at this time £300 in part of payment of the said £600, to be had and taken of the king by their hands, commands the treasurer and chamberlains of the Exchequer that they, at the receipt of the Exchequer by way of assignment, content and pay as well to the said Ralph Astry and William Gaske the said £100 as unto the said Ralph Astry, Guy Wolston, Thomas Crafton and John Baxster the said £300 by tallies severally to be levied in manner, as follows: Southampton: From the collectors of the customs and subsidies of the king in the port of Southampton for the time being, issuing from the same customs and subsidies from the goods and merchandises of Ralph Astry, Thomas Grafton and other merchants, shipped or to be shipped in the king's ship called *Maria* of Berking [Barking], *viz* the said £100 for the said Ralph Astry and William Gaske, and the said £300 for the said Ralph Astry, Guy Wolston, Thomas Grafton and John Baxster. The which tallies severally levied, the king commands that the treasurer and chamberlains deliver to them without prest or other charge to be set upon them for the same. Given under the privy seal at the king's palace of Westminster. Bele.

Reference: E 404/78/3/41
Date: 31 Jan 2 Ric. III [1485].
Whereas the king of late bought of Thomas Grafton of the city of London, merchant, his ship called *the Nicholas* of London for the sum of 100 marks sterling, and thereof the said Thomas, as yet, has not had or received of the king any manner of payment, the king, willing his due contentment in this part, commands the treasurer and chamberlains of the Exchequer that they, at the receipt of the Exchequer, levy one tally, containing the said sum of 100 marks. And that tally so levied they are to deliver unto the said Thomas without any prest or other charge to be set upon him for the same. Given under the privy seal at the king's palace of Westminster. Bele.

Reference: E 404/78/3/42
Date: 31 Jan 2 Ric. III [1485].
The king, remembering and calling to mind the great zeal and tender affection that he bears in his heart to his faithful and true subjects, the mayor, sheriffs and citizens of the city of Yorke [York], of long time past and namely now of late for many causes, and also understanding that, notwithstanding his great liberality and graces late shown unto them by the king for the profit and welfare of the said city and citizens of the same, Richard Hardsang and William Barker, late sheriffs of the said city, have been likely charged unto the king in the Exchequer of diverse sums of money unto their great hurt and importable charges to the king's said mind and benevolence. The king, therefore, for special causes and considerations moving him, commands the treasurer and chamberlains of the Exchequer that they enter in their books the sum of £60 9s 10d as for so much money delivered and paid by them unto the king, and that they do make thereupon in due form a tally of 'sol' of the said sum to be levied of the said late sheriffs from the issues of his bailiwick. And they are to deliver it to them for their discharge in that behalf without any prest or other thing to be set or put upon them for that sum. Given under the privy seal at the king's palace of Westminster. Bele.

Reference: E 404/78/3/43
Date: 9 Feb 2 Ric. III [1485].
Forasmuch as the fellowship of the mercers of the city of London, late passing with certain merchandises out of this realm into the parts of Flaundres [Flanders] and other places beyond the sea, paid of their own money by the king's special command to such ships of the king, as 'waughted' them

that voyage, the sum of £349 15s sterling. The king, indenting their due repayment in that behalf, commands the treasurer and chamberlains of the Exchequer that they therefore make unto the said fellowship without delay due payment of the said sum of £349 15s and every parcel thereof in ready money without any prest or other charge to be set upon them in that part. Given under the privy seal at the palace of Westminster. Horwod.

Reference: E 404/78/3/44
Date: 2 Mar 2 Ric. III [1485].
Whereas the king is informed that Martin Lonore of Bretaigne [Brittany] has now caused to be brought and discharged in the port of Dertmouth [Dartmouth] the number of 40 packs of linen cloth, there to be sold and distributed, to the use and for the expenses of the bishop of Leon [?*recte* Lyon], now being with the king in embassy from his cousin the duke of Bretaigne [Brittany]. Of which linen cloth the customs and subsidies amount to the sum of £12 10s. The king, at the instance and contemplation of the said bishop, for certain considerations moving him, out of his special grace, has pardoned and given unto him the said customs and subsidies. Wherefore the king commands the treasurer and chamberlains of the Exchequer that, incontinent upon the sight hereof, they strike out and levy a tally upon the collectors of the king's customs and subsidies of the said port of Dertmouth [Dartmouth], containing the said sum of £12 10s, and the same tally so levied they are to deliver freely to the said Martin for and in the name of the said bishop, to have of the king's gift without setting therefore of any prest or other charge upon them. Given under the privy seal at the palace of Westminster. Horwod.

Reference: E 404/78/3/45
Date: 3 Mar 2 Ric. III [1485].
The king commands that for the time that the treasurer and under-treasurer and either of them have occupied said office the which shall behove the king to have and sustain about his household and to the household of his wife the queen, the king's chamber, great wardrobe and … from time to time such sums of money out of the treasury or make thereof assignations to the king's household, keeper of jewels with in the king's chamber, clerk of the great wardrobe and clerk of the king's works for the time being and to each of them as shall be unto their wisdoms thought behoveful for the costs and expenses of their said offices during the time that they shall be in their said offices. And that they also pay of the said treasury fees of the king's chancellor of England, treasurer, under treasurer and privy seal and all lords and other the king's councillors, judges of both the king's benches, barons and chancellor of the exchequer and to all other officers and ?ministers of any of the king's courts, or elsewhere having fees and rewards accustomed. And also for the costs and expenses of the king's ambassadors and messengers beyond the sea or in ?Scotland … shall come from any part beyond the sea or Scotland. And for the costs and expenses of all those that shall be assigned by the king's commission or … inquire for the king or for the king's profits in any way, or to resist or subdue the king's rebels or enemies. And also for the rewards of 'custumers' and controllers and … searchers and approvers in the ports of England or any of the king's livelihoods or possessions or other profits due unto the king that have been and for the time shall be … rewards after their sage discretions and for the king's profit. There are also to pay to the wardens of the king's marches east and west and for the king's town and castle of ?Berwick … assigned by the king and his council after the indenture of their withholding. Also to the treasurer of Calais for the wages of the soldiers there … thereabouts. They are also to pay to the lieutenant of the same for the wages of soldiers and other expenses of him and them appointed to go with him … of crew and for their passage thither. They are also to pay of the king's said treasury to the master of the ordinance for all habillements of war by see … the defence of this realm and for the resistance of the king's rebels and enemies. And also to the clerk of the king's ships for the time being … necessary for his office. And they are also to pay for the parchment paper, ink, wax, bags of canvas and other necessaries suitable in the offices of the treasurer and chamberlains in the receipt. And over that they are to pay from time to time all things that shall seem to their

wisdoms to be for or to his honour, surety or profit to be paid. Given under the privy seal at the king's palace of Westminster.

Reference: E 404/78/3/46
Date: 15 Mar 2 Ric. III [1485].
Forasmuch as by the reckoning and account of the king's councillor, Sir Robert Brakenbury, knight for the king's body and constable of the Tower of London, from 31 May 1 Ric. III [1484] unto Nov 30 then next after, *viz* by half a year and a day, it was found by the same that the king is indebted unto him in the sum of £215 7s 5d as money by him paid over all manner of sums of money by him received of the king or in his name of any manner of person or persons by all the said time, as well in his journeys riding to Sandewiche [Sandwich], Dovor [Dover] and Maidston [Maidstone], Kent, at two several seasons, and otherwise by the king's command, to his great honour, profit and pleasure, with keeping and finding of the king's prisoners within the Tower of London, as for the provision and reparation of the king's evidences and artilleries with other diverse particular charges by him had and done within the said town by the king's command, as in the said account it appears. The king therefore having tender respect to the premises, willing him by no means to be not contented of his duty, commands the treasurer and chamberlains of the Exchequer, that they, immediately after the sight of these letters, without delay, content and pay to the king's said councillor the said sum of £215 7s 5d in ready money, or else that they make unto him sufficient and sure assignment for the same sum in such place or places, as he most speedily may attain his sure payment of the same, without prest or other charge to be set upon him for the same. Given under the privy seal at the king's palace of Westminster. Bolman.

Reference: E 404/78/3/47
Date: 22 Mar 2 Ric. III [1485].
Whereas the king has at this time by the advice of his council ordained and appointed Sir Edward Brampton to pass out of this realm unto the parts of Portingale [Portugal] in embassy there to do as the king has commanded him on his behalf. And forasmuch as the king knows that he shall have and bear great costs and charges in the said voyage, the king has granted unto him the sum of 100 marks. And therefore the king commands the treasurer and chamberlains of the Exchequer that, at the receipt of the Exchequer by way of assignment, they content and pay unto him the said 100 marks by tally or tallies in due form to be levied upon the collectors of the king's subsidies in the port of London for the time being of the goods and merchandises of Amfran Spynell and Cosine Spynell, merchants of Jene [Genoa], to be accustomed by them and either of them in the said city, or by any other in their names, as well inward as outward, for the said Sir Edward. And that tally or tallies so levied they are to deliver without prest or other charge to be set upon him for the same. Given under the privy seal at the king's palace of Westminster. Bolman.

Reference: E 404/78/3/48
Date: 23 Mar 2 Ric. III [1485].
Whereas the king is informed that Rowland Chouchart of Morlaix in Britaigne [Brittany] has now of late conveyed the bishop of Leon [?*recte* Lyon] and other ambassadors of his cousin, the duke of Brytain [Brittany], with his ship and many persons in the same at his great costs and charges, the king, having consideration unto the good love and affection that the said Rowland has unto the king and his subjects, willing him therefore to have of the king some recompense for the same, of his special grace and mere motion, has granted unto him the sum of £15, to be rebated for him and to his use by the collectors of the king's customs and subsidies of the port of Excestre [Exeter], upon such linen clothes and other goods and merchandises as he now has or next shall cause to be conveyed and discharged there. Wherefore the king commands the treasurer and chamberlains of the Exchequer that, incontinent upon the sight hereof, they strike out and levy a tally upon the said collectors, containing the sum of £15. And they are to deliver the same tally unto the said Rowland for to have of the king's

gift without setting therefore of any prest or other charge upon him. Given under the privy seal at the king's palace of Westminster. Bolman.

Reference: E 404/78/3/49
Date: 12 Apr 2 Ric. III [1485].
Whereas the king's trusty servant, Christopher Colyns, esquire, by the king's command for the wages and victuals of 200 men, soldiers and mariners hired in the king's ship called *the Carrigon*, from Michaelmas last past until 11 Nov then next ensuing, by the space of six weeks, and for the victualing of 100 men, soldiers and mariners in a ship called *the Michael* of Quynbrugh [Queenborough], and for cables, ropes and other necessaries bought by the said Christopher for the said ships by all the said time, has paid £128 4s 2d over £66 13s 4d by the said Christopher of the king received for the said causes. And for the which sum of £128 4s 2d the said Christopher has not received of the king any manner of payment, contentment or assignment. The king, therefore commands the treasurer and chamberlains of the Exchequer that they, without delay upon the sight of these letters, pay and content unto the said Christopher the said sum of £128 4s 2d in ready money, or else that they make unto him sufficient and sure assignment for him upon the same sum upon the collectors of the king's subsidy of 3s of the town and 12d of the pound in the port of London for the time being, for the same Christopher, without prest or other charge to be set upon him for the same. Given under the privy seal at the city of London. Bele.

Reference: E 404/78/3/50
Date: 18 Apr 2 Ric. III [1485].
Whereas the king, on 29 Mar 1 Ric. III [1484], by his letters patent, out of his special grace, granted to John Cave, chaplain, keeper of the chapel of the Blessed Virgin Mary of la Pewe [le Pew], Westminster, a certain annuity of ten marks, to be received yearly until better provision will be taken for him otherwise by the king, at Easter and Michaelmas by equal portions, just as is contained in the said letters more fully. The king commands the treasurer and chamberlains that they pay to the same John the arrears of the said 10 marks a year from the said 29 Mar according to the tenor of the said letters. Witnessed by the king at Westminster. Ive.

Reference: E 404/78/3/51
Date: 22 Apr 2 Ric. III [1485].
Whereas the king, on 28 Nov 1 Ric. III [1483], out of his special grace, in respect of charity, granted from his alms to the warden and convent of the Franciscan friars of Oxford 50 marks, to be received yearly from Easter 1 Ric. III [1484] during the king's pleasure at Michaelmas and Easter by equal portions, just as in the said letters thereupon completed is more fully contained. The king commands the treasurer and chamberlains that they pay to the same warden and convent the arrears of the said 50 marks a year from Easter last past according to the tenor of the said letters. Witnessed by the king at Westminster. Bolton.

Reference: E 404/78/3/52
Date: 26 Apr 2 Ric. III [1485].
Whereas the king, on 26 Jan 1 Ric. III [1484], out of his special grace and in respect of charity, granted from his alms to the warden and convent of the Franciscan friars in Cambridge University 25 marks, to be received yearly from Easter 1 Ric. III [1484] during the king's pleasure at Michaelmas and Easter by equal portions, just as in the said letters thereupon completed is more fully contained. The king commands the treasurer and chamberlains that they pay to the same warden and convent the arrears of the said 25 marks a year from Easter last past according to the tenor of the said letters. Witnessed by the king at Westminster. Bolton.

Reference: E 404/78/3/53
Date: 28 Apr 2 Ric. III [1485].
Whereas the king, on 22 May last past, out of his special grace, granted to the prior and convent of the order of Dominican friars in Cambridge university 25 marks, to be received yearly from his alms from Michaelmas 22 Edw. IV [1482] during the king's pleasure at Easter and Michaelmas by equal portions, towards the aid of sustaining the doctrine of the Catholic faith and especially to pray for the king's good state and the souls of his progenitors, just as in the said letters thereupon completed is more fully contained. The king commands the treasurer and chamberlains of the Exchequer that they pay to the same warden and convent the arrears of the said 25 marks a year from Easter last past according to the tenor of the said letters. Witnessed by the king at Westminster. Wodward.

Reference: E 404/78/3/54
Date: 28 Apr 2 Ric. III [1485].
Whereas Edward IV, on 19 Mar 23 Edw. IV [1483], by his letters patent, which Richard III confirmed on 9 Mar 1 Ric. III [1484], appointed and ordained Vincent Tentler as his armourer for the term of his life, and also from his special grace granted to the same Vincent for the exercise, service and occupation of his said craft £20 sterling, to be had and received yearly from Easter then last past, from the same 19 Mar, when the same Vincent occupied that office or craft, during his said life at Michaelmas and Easter by equal portions, just as in the said letters and confirmation is more fully contained. The king commands the treasurer and chamberlains that they pay to the same Vincent the arrears of the said £20 a year from Easter then last past according to the tenor of the said letters and confirmation, receiving from the said Vincent his letters of acquittance, which will be sufficient for the king in this behalf. Witnessed by the king at Westminster. Sharp.

Reference: E 404/78/3/55
Date: 29 Apr 2 Ric. III [1485].
Forasmuch as the king has been indebted unto the mayor and fellowship of merchants of the staple at Caleis [Calais] in the sum of £63 8s 4d. Which sum the said mayor and fellowship of merchants by the king's command have delivered unto Sir James Tirrell, knight for the king's body, now at his being at Caleys [Calais]. Which sum the said Sir James there has bestowed and employed in like manner as the king aforetime has given him in command, and as yet the said mayor and fellowship of merchants of the said staple has not received of the king any repayment for the same. The king therefore commands the treasurer and chamberlains of the Exchequer that they, without delay, at the receipt of the Exchequer in the book called the Pell, do enter a tally of the said sum, and they do make plain issue of the same sum for the said cause. And over that for their sure repayment that they do make assignment for them upon the surplus of their account or accounts in due form at their desire, without prest or other charge to be set or levied upon them for the same. Given under the privy seal at the king's palace of Westminster. Tilghman.

Reference: E 404/78/3/56
Date: 3 May 2 Ric. III [1485].
Whereas Edward IV, on 27 Jan 18 Edw. IV [ 1479], by his letters patent, which Richard III confirmed, granted to Sir John Asteley £60 a year, to be had and received every single year for the term of his life from the treasury at Easter and Michaelmas by equal portions, just as in the same letters is more fully contained. The king commands the treasurer and chamberlains to pay to the same John the arrears of the said £60 from Easter last past from the treasury according to the tenor of the said letters and confirmation. Witnessed by the king at Westminster. Hanyngton.

Reference: E 404/78/3/57
Date: 9 May 2 Ric. III [1485].
Forasmuch as the king is indebted unto the mayor and fellowship of merchants of the staple at Caleis [Calais], as well in the sum of £497 11s 8d, which sum the said mayor and fellowship paid for the king by command of Sir John Woode, late treasurer of England, to diverse masters and mariners of diverse ships for safe-conducting and conveying of all the wools and woolfells that were shipped out of this realm unto the king's said staple at Caleys [Calais], from 6 Apr 23 Edw, IV [1483] until 6 Apr 1 Ric. III [1484], as in the sum of £251 5s. Which sum of £251 5s the said mayor and fellowship paid for the king, as well by command of the said late treasurer, as by the advice of the king's council in his absence, to diverse masters and mariners of diverse ships for safe-conducting and conveying of all the wools and woolfells that were shipped as well in the port of London as in the ports within the towns of Boston and Episwych [Ipswich], from the said 6 Apr 1 Ric. III [1484] until 12 Dec 2 Ric. III [1484], from thence conveyed unto the said staple, and as yet have not received of the king any repayment. Therefore, the king commands the treasurer and chamberlains of the Exchequer that they, without delay at the receipt in the book called the Pell, do enter two several tallies of the several sums, and that they make plain issue of the same sums for the said causes and considerations. And over that for their sure repayment that they do levy several assignations for them upon their own shipping upon the surplus of their accounts in due form at their desires, in such manner as shall be to them agreeable, without prest or other charge to be set or laid upon them for the same. Given under the privy seal at the king's palace of Westminster. Horwod.

Reference: E 404/78/3/58
Date: 10 May 2 Ric. III [1485].
Whereas Edward IV, by his letters patent, which Richard III confirmed by patent 11 Feb 1 Ric. III [1484], granted to the then warden, brothers and sisters of the hospital of St Katherine by the Tower of London 73s 4d, to be received every single year at the Exchequer forever in recompense of one small piece of land next to the garden of the same hospital. Which same piece of land the king's progenitors, formerly kings of England, together with other land, where a ditch is dug around the said tower, had from the gift and grant of then warden, brothers and sisters, just as in the said letters and confirmation is more fully contained. The king commands the now warden, brothers and sisters that they pay from the arrears of the said 73s 4d from 11 Feb from the treasury according to the tenor of the said letters and confirmation. Witnessed by the king at Westminster. Heed.

Reference: E 404/78/3/59
Date: 12 May 2 Ric. III [1485].
Whereas the king, on 9 Dec 1 Ric. III [1483], by his letters patent, granted to his subject, Philip Knyghton the office of being one of the four tellers of the Exchequer. To have and occupy the said office for the term of his life, receiving wages of 4½d a day, just as in the said letters is more fully contained. The king commands that the treasurer and chamberlains pay to the same Philip the arrears of the said 4½d a day from the said 9 Dec from the treasury according to the tenor of the said letters. Witnessed by the king at Westminster. Ive.

Reference: E 404/78/3/60
Date: 13 May 2 Ric. III [1485].
Whereas the king's progenitor Edward late king of England, by his letters patent, which Richard III confirmed on 30 Nov last past, granted to the then prior and provincial chapter of the order of Dominican friars in England and their successors forever £20, to be received every single year at Easter to the use of the chapter of the said order in this realm for the time being, to celebrate solemnly every single year by the said chapter the anniversary of his very dear wife Philippa, then queen of England, deceased, forever, in the place where the said anniversary happens to be celebrated, just as in the said letters and confirmation is more fully contained. The king commands the treasurer and

chamberlains to pay the arrears of the said £20 a year from the treasury according to the tenor of the said letters and confirmation. Witnessed by the king at Westminster. Broun.

Reference: E 404/78/3/61
Date: 13 May 2 Ric. III [1485].
Whereas the king, by letters patent 6 Mar 1 Ric. III [1484], granted to the king's well-beloved servant, Richard Tilles the office of controller of the king's works within the realm of England. To have and occupy the said office during the king's pleasure, and by the same patent gave to the said Richard wages of 12d a day for himself, and wages of 6d a day for a clerk under him in the same office. To be had and received of the issues, profits and revenues of the counties of Cambridge and Huntingdon by the hands of the sheriff of the said counties for the time being from 7 Jul then last past, as in the said patent is contained. From which 7 Jul until 12 Feb 2 Ric. III [1485] the said Richard Tilles had and enjoyed the said office, and by all the said time had and sustained Thomas Browne as clerk under him in the same office. The which Thomas by all the same time occupied as clerk under the said Richard in the same office, not having or receiving of the king or the said Richard any fee, wages or rewards for his said occupation. The king, willing the said Thomas to be recompensed for his said occupation, out of his special grace, has given to the said Thomas £14 12s 6d for his said occupation from 7 Jul 1 Ric. III [1483] until 12 Feb 2 Ric. III [1485]. To be had to the said Thomas of the king by way of reward. Wherefore the king commands the treasurer and chamberlains of the Exchequer that of the king's money, being in his hands, or which shall come to their hands, they pay unto the said Thomas the said sum of £14 12s 6d, or else make a sufficient assignment of the said sum, without setting upon him any prest or other charge for the same. Given under the privy seal at the king's castle of Windesore [Windsor]. Horwod.

Reference: E 404/78/3/62
Date: 14 May 2 Ric. III [1485].
Whereas the king, for diverse considerations, specially moving the king and his council, of the king's special grace, certain science and mere motion, granted unto his beloved cousin, Thomas, archbishop of Canterbury, the sum of £447 13s 4d sterling, to have of the king as of his gift. For contentment whereof, the king commands the treasurer and chamberlains of the Exchequer that they, incontinent upon the sight of these letters, they do strike out and levy a tally at the receipt of the Exchequer, containing the sum of £223 16s 8d, for the same archbishop to be taken of the king as of his gift by way of reward. And that they deliver the same tallies unto his said cousin freely without any prest to be set or entered upon him therefore. Given under the privy seal at the king's castle of Wyndesore [Windsor]. Bolman.

Reference: E 404/78/3/63
Date: 14 May 2 Ric. III [1485].
Forasmuch as the king, on 6 Dec last past, assigned and commanded his trusty and well-beloved servant Alvery Corneburgh, to attend and be of his council with his right trusty and well-beloved councillor, Lord Audley, treasurer of England, in his said office, and the said Alvery to occupy the room of under-treasurer of the king's treasure during his pleasure. Wherein the king understands and certainly knows he shall have and bear great labour, costs and charges. The king commands the treasurer and chamberlains of the Exchequer that, of the king's treasure that is or shall be in their keeping, they, from the said 6 Dec, pay unto his said servant quarterly and termly the sum of £33 6s 8d, as long as he shall occupy the said office, to be taken of the king's gift by way of reward, as William Essex and John Woode late had and received for their said occupation, without any prest to be set upon him for the same. The king also wills that the said Alvery Corneburgh shall have by way of reward at Easter in assignment £20 and at Michaelmas another £20, and so yearly during the term that it pleases the king that the said Alvery shall occupy the said office. Given under the privy seal at the king's castle of Windesore [Windsor]. Horwod.

Reference: E 404/78/3/64
Date: 16 May 2 Ric. III [1485].
The king, by his letters patent 4 Apr 1 Ric. III [1484], granted to William Dabney £10 a year, to have unto the said William from Easter 23 Edw. IV [1483] until the time the said William should have of the king's grant an office of the value of £20 a year, to be received yearly of the farm of a messuage and 16 yards of land, 16 acres of field and 19s worth of rent in Watford, Northants, at Easter and Michaelmas by even portions, as in the said patent it is expressed, and according to the king's mind and intent of the said letters, the said William received of the occupiers of the said farm £5 grown unto him from Easter 23 Edw. IV [1483] until Michaelmas then next ensuing. Whereof the farmers can have no allowance in the Exchequer by the said letters for that term for diverse considerations moving the barons of the Exchequer. And whereas also by the same letters patent the king granted to the same William and Joan his wife 20 marks a year, to have from Easter 23 Edw. IV [1483] for term of their lives, to be received yearly of the farm or fee farm of the town of Notyngham [Nottingham] by the hands of the sheriffs of the same town for the time being. Of the which farm and fee farm the king has ordained John Fitzherbert to be receiver among others. For the which cause and consideration, the said William and Joan his wife cannot enjoy and have any payment with due allowance of the late several sheriffs of the said town by virtue of the said patent for three terms, *viz* for Michaelmas 1 Ric. III [1483] 10 marks, and for Easter the same year and Michaelmas last past 20 marks. Which three sums due, as before expressed, the king commands that the said William and Joan his wife shall receive, enjoy and have of the king according to his mind and intent at the making of the said grant, or else sufficient recompense for the same. The king, therefore, of his special grace, commands the treasurer and chamberlains of the Exchequer that they do levy three tallies at the receipt of the Exchequer of such tests as shall be shown unto them most convenient in that behalf sufficiently to be made, *viz* one containing 100s, and another containing 10 marks, and the third tally containing 20 marks in the same way upon the same receiver of the issues of his office, and for the same William and Joan. And these three tallies so sufficiently levied and made they are to deliver unto the said William of his reward in consideration of the premises, without prest or other charge to be set upon them in that behalf. Given under the privy seal at the king's castle of Wyndesore [Windsor]. Horwod.

Reference: E 404/78/3/65
Date: 16 May 2 Ric. III [1485].
Whereas John Woode, esquire, warden of the mint in the Tower of London and elsewhere within this realm, by the king's command under his letters missive, to him late directed, of such money as he at that time had of the king in his hands by reason of his office, delivered to the king's trusty and well-beloved councillor Sir Robert Brakenbury, constable of the Tower of London, the sum of 100 marks sterling, by the said Sir Robert by the king's command employed upon the repair and amendment of diverse of the king's ordinances and artillery within the said tower. And, furthermore, the said John Wode in the days of Edward IV, by force of a writ under the great seal of Edward IV called a *liberate*, to the said John Wodde directed, paid to Sir Thomas Seintleger, late controller of the exchange and assays of coinage of gold and silver within the said tower, the sum of 20 marks due to the said Sir Thomas for Easter next before the death of Edward IV, for the exercising of his said office. Of which sums of money the said John Wode in his several accounts, to the king made before the barons of the Exchequer, can have no due allowance for diverse causes, the said barons reasonably moving. Which notwithstanding, the king, not willing the said John Wode to be hurt or grieved for the accomplishment of the king's said command and others, the king commands the treasurer and chamberlains of the Exchequer that they, at the receipt of the Exchequer, do levy two several tallies of payment in due form to be made upon the said warden of the issues and profits of his office, one tally of the said sum of 100 marks, and another tally of the said 20 marks, the said tallies to be entered in such terms and year as shall be most sure discharge for the said John Wode upon his accounts. Which tallies so levied, the king wills they deliver to the said John Wode or his deputy in this behalf,

and that they make issue of the said 100 marks for the said causes, and of the said 20 marks as money delivered into the king's chamber, without prest or other charge to be set upon the said John Wode or any other in his name. Given under the king's privy seal at the king's castle of Windesore [Windsor]. Horwod.

Reference: E 404/78/3/66
Date: 18 May 2 Ric. III [1485].
Whereas the king, on 17 May instant, by his letters patent, out of his special grace, granted to his beloved servant, Grymond Desture, one of the yeomen of the crown, a certain annuity of £20 sterling, to be received yearly from the birth of the lord last past for the term of his life at the feasts of St John the Baptist and the birth of the lord by equal portions, just as in the said letters is more fully contained. The king commands the treasurer and chamberlains that they pay to the said Grymond the arrears of the said £20 a year from the said birth of the lord and the same £20 a year from then on, every single year, during his said life at the said feasts from the treasury from time to time according to the tenor of the said letters. Witnessed by the king at Westminster. Wheler.

Reference: E 404/78/3/67
Date: 31 May 2 Ric. III [1485].
Whereas Edward IV, being indebted to John Ambrose 'de Nigro', Gabriel 'de Furmariis' and Anthony Sawly, merchants of Jene [Genoa], in the sum of 625 marks, parcel of a larger sum, the which Edward IV promised to pay to them for certain jewels by him of them late bought, and received for due satisfaction, payment and contentment to the same John Ambrose, Gabriel and Anthony of the said sum of 625 marks to be made, Edward IV, by his letters patent 20 Dec 22 Edw. IV [1482], granted and gave licence to the same John Ambrose, Gabriel and Anthony that they, by themselves, their factors and attorneys, denizens or aliens shall have and receive the said sum of 625 marks of his customs and subsidies growing of all manner wools, woolen cloths, as well in grain as out of grain, alum, wine, cloths of silk and all other goods and merchandises whatsoever, first at any time after the date of the same letters patent by the same John Ambrose, Gabriel and Anthony, their factors and attorneys, and by any other merchant or merchants of the said nation of Jeane [Genoa] into the realm of England and into the ports of London, Sandwich and Suthampton [Southampton], in whatsoever galleys, carracks, ships or vessels to be bought to or from the said realm out of the said ports, to be led out from time to time, until such time as the said John Ambrose, Gabriel and Anthony or their factors or attorneys of the said sum of 625 marks were duly satisfied and fully contented by the hands of the customers or collectors of the customs and subsidies in the said ports for the time being, as in the said patent is contained more at large. By force of which patent, the said John Ambrose, Gabriel and Anthony had and received of the customs and subsidies of the merchandises growing to Edward IV in the port of London before 9 Apr 23 Edw. IV [1483], on which day he deceased, the sum of £350 19s 5d, parcel of the said 625 marks, as in the Exchequer appears of record. After which day the said patent by the said decease of Edward IV was of no force, for contentment of £65 13s 10½d, residue of the said duty, whereof they be as yet unsatisfied. The king, willing them thereof to be satisfied, out of his special grace, certain science and mere motion, commands the treasurer and chamberlains of the Exchequer that they cause to be levied at the receipt of the Exchequer for the said John Ambrose, Gabriel and Anthony a tally or tallies of the said sum of £65 13s 10½d upon the collectors of the subsidy of 3s of the ton and of 12d the pound in the port of the city of London for the time being. And the said tally or tallies so levied they are to cause to be delivered to the said John, Gabriel and Anthony without any prest or other charge upon them to be set for the said £65 13s 10½d. Given under the privy seal at the king's castle of Killingworth [Kenilworth]. Bele.

Reference: E 404/78/3/68
Date: 6 Jun 2 Ric. III [1485].
Whereas Richard III, by letters patent dated at Notingham [Nottingham] on 20 Mar 1 Ric. III [1484], granted to the king's well-beloved and faithful cousin William, earl of Nottingham, £266 13s 4d of annuity yearly to be had and received to the same earl from Michaelmas then last past for term of his life, as well of the king's customs of wools, leather and woolfells, as of the king's petty custom in the port of the city of London, coming and growing by the hands of the collectors of the same customs in the same port for the time being, at Easter and Michaelmas by even portions, as in the same letters it is more at large contained. By force whereof there is due to the said William for the feast of Easter last past 200 marks, whereof he cannot receive or have at this time any payment of the said custom, because the king has of late for special causes otherwise appointed it to be paid to the king's proper use. The king, therefore, willing him to be recompensed thereof, commands the treasurer and chamberlains of the Exchequer that they levy at the receipt of the Exchequer convenient tally or tallies upon the disme now last past granted to the king in such place or places, as he may have sure payment of the said sum of 200 marks for the said earl. And that tally or tallies so sufficiently levied they are to deliver unto him without prest or other charge to be set upon him for the same in any way, taking of him sufficient surety that he shall make his letters of acquittance at such time as they shall require him, testifying him to have received of the king's said customs by virtue of his said letters patent 200 marks for the said feast of Easter last past, to the intent to be allowed upon the said customers' accounts in the Exchequer to be held, in discharging the king against his said cousin, there of record for the said 200 marks for the said feast of Easter. By the which acquittance they may receive the said 200 marks of the said customers to the king's use in recompense of the said 200 marks to him assigned of the said dismes, as aforesaid. Given under the privy seal at the king's castle of Kenelworth [Kenilworth]. Horwod.

Reference: E 404/78/4/1
Date: 12 Jul 3 Ric. III [1485].
Whereas the king's trusty and well-beloved servant, John Wake, esquire, late sheriff of the counties of Cambridge and Huntingdon, accounting to the king of the issues and profits of his said office, from Michaelmas 1 Ric. III [1483] until Michaelmas then next following, in the which office the said late sheriff has had and sustained great charges and costs and shall thereby be put to great losses and damages, unless the king's special grace be shown unto him in this behalf. The king, having consideration thereunto and not willing the said late sheriff to sustain the said charges and costs of his own proper goods, commands the treasurer and chamberlains of the Exchequer that they levy a tally at the receipt of the Exchequer of the sum of £21 of the said John Wake, late sheriff of the said counties of Cambridge and Huntingdon, of the remnant of his account for the said John. And that tally so levied they are to deliver unto the said John Wake without any prest or other charge to be set upon him for the same. Given under the privy seal at the king's castle of Notingham [Nottingham]. Bolman.