

LVII.

Appointment of Sebastian Cabot as Governor of the Company of Merchant Adventurers, 26 Feb. 1555.

Febr. 26 1555. Westminster.

Letters patent constituting William marquis of Westminster and others a body corporate, by name of Merchant Adventurers of England for discovery of lands, territories etc. unknown and not before frequented etc. S[ebastian] C[abot] to be the first Governor.

R. Lemon, Calendar of Domestic State Papers, 1547-80. T. — p. 65].

LVIII.

Queen Mary's Confirmation of the pension for life to Sebastian Cabot.

Anno D. 1555.

Rex et Regina, Omnibus ad quos, etc. salutem.

Sciatis quod nos,

De gratia nostra speciali, ac ex certa scientia et mero Motu nostris, nec non in consideratione boni veri et acceptabilis servitii Nobis, per dilectum servientem nostrum Sebastianum Caboto armigerum ante hac impensi et imposterum impendendi,

Dedimus et concessimus, ac per Praesentes pro nobis Haeredibus et Successoribus nostris, damus et concedimus praefato Sebastiano, quandam Annuitatem sive annualem Redditum centum sexaginta sex librarum tresdecim solidorum et quatuor denariorum legalis monetae angliae,

Habendam gaudendam et annuatim percipiendam eandem