people there dwelling, which thynges could not be done without great cost: Wherefore considering the Kynges good entente, he sayde, that the Lordes thought it convenient to graunte to the Kyng some reasonable ayde toward his charges, and prayed the Cōmons to consulte on the same, and then he and all the Lordes departed.

After their departure, the cōmons considering the kings good entente, louungly graunted to him a. xv. toward his charges, but this grant was not enacted at this Session, because that sodeinely began a Pestilence in Westmynster, wherefore the Parlyament was proroged till the nexte yer.

In this yer was an olde Tolle demanded in Flanders of Englyshmen, called the Tolle of the Ihounde, which is a Iyuer and a passage: The Tolle is. xii. pence of a Fardell. This Tolle had ben often tymes demanded, but never payed: insomoche that Kyng Henry the seuenth, for the demande of that Tolle, prohibited all his subiectes to kepe any Marte at Antwerpe or Barow, but caused the Martes to be kepte at Calyses: at which tyme it was agreed that the sayde Tolle shoulde never be demanded, so that the Englyshmen woulde resorte agayn into the Dukes countrie, and after that, it was not demanded till now: Wherefore the Kyng sent Doctor Kyght and other to Calyses, and thither came thempeurs Commissioners, and the matter was put in suspence for a tyme.

Ye haue hearde before how the Kyng had purchased the Bysshope of Yorkes place, whiche was a fayre Bysshops house, but not meete for a Kyng: wherefore the Kyng purchased all the medowes about saynt Iames, and all the whole house of s. Iames, and there made a fayre mansion and a parke, & buylded many costingly and commodious houses for great pleasure.

Now must I declare to you a noble enterprise, although it were not doone in England, yet because divers Englysh men were at that aventure, I wyll declare it as the Lorde Master of the Religion of Saynt Iohns wrote to the Lorde of saynt Iohns in Englund: The Lorde Master of the Religion, lamenting sore the losse of the Rodes, whiche he thought not sone to be reuerced, considered that the Turke helde the towns of Modon whiche standeth on the See syde, and is a fayre Porte, and woulde haue gladlye had that towne oute of the Turkes possession, called to him a trusty seruant of his, called Caloram, which was well langaged, and to hym declared, that he woulde haue hym to sayle to Modon, and to dwell there as a Turke vnknownen, and if he myght by any meanes to come into service with Massie de Huga, which was Capitayne there. Caloram answered, that to go thither for the accomplishing of the Lord masters desyre, he was very well content, but to come in servyce and favoure with the Capitayne, must come in process of tyme and by continuance, and that not without great expence: The Lorde Maister promised hym sufficient treaure and a great rewarde: When Caloram was perfectly enstruckt in all thyng he toke his leave and came priuely to Modon, & ther dwelled, & within shorte space he was the Capitayns seruant, & for his great diligence was with his master in great favoure. Then he wrote to the Lorde Maister all thyng, and assertayned hym that his entent could not take effeecte hastely, but bade hym euer be readye. Thys matter thus continued two yeare, in whiche tyme Caloram well perceyued how the towne myghte be taken, and therefore wrote to the Lord Master, which shortly came to a place called Mucollutea. The Turkes haue a condicion in August & Septembre, to resorte into the countrie to see the fruytes, and to solace them selfe, wherefore the Lord Master appoynted the Prior of Rome and the Turcuplyar of England to be Capitaynes of this enterprise, and with them were. lx. knyghtes of the Religion, and. vii.C. and fyllye souldiers in. vi. Galyses & Brigantes, and passed the Cape Blanke in the lande of Calaber. the. xviii. day of August, and there they ankered: and from that place they myght sayle lx. myle to Modon, vnder the byles of Stroffades. And in the wanye they stopped all the shippes that passed toward Modon: & from thence they sent woord to Caloram, which sent them woord, not to be to hastye: for the Venicians had reported in Modon, that the Gayles of the Religion were on the se: and also a Capitayne of the Turkes, called Frombylam was come to Modon with. ii. C. horseme