

1370.

*Membrane 21d—cont.*

Witnesses : Thomas Byflete, John atte Bergh, Alexander de Iweshote, Ralph atte Rude, Adam atte Lee. Dated Farneham, 8 March 44 Edward III.

*Memorandum* of acknowledgment by the parties in the chancery at Farnham, 9 March.

March 8. To the sheriffs of London. Order, upon the petition of John son of Westminster. Bartholomew Langerith of Waltham Holy Cross, to stay the exigents against him by the mainprise of Simon Waryn, William Wotton, Matthew Langerith and Peter Payn of Essex, bringing this writ before the justices at Westminster in the octaves of Trinity ; as the said John has shewn the king that the king lately by writ ordered the sheriffs to put him in exigents from husting to husting until outlawed if he appeared not, and if he appeared to take him and keep him in safe custody so as to have his body before the said justices on the day before mentioned to answer to Agnes atte More, daughter of Richard atte More of Waltham, on a plea of debt and detinue of 36*l.* ; and he has now prayed the king to stay the exigents by a mainprise, as he is ready so to answer and to stand to right in all things ; and the said Simon, William, Matthew and Peter have mainperned under a pain of 36*l.* to have his body before the said justices on that day to answer as aforesaid.

*Memorandum* that the said mainprise was received by Th. de Newenham clerk.

March 20. To John Gernoun, William Tendryng, Robert Belknap and John Westminster. Rokewode. Order for particular causes to stay the taking of inquisitions concerning the bridge of Bures in Suffolk or on the border of Essex and Suffolk, or doing of aught else by virtue of the king's late commission ; although lately learning that the said bridge, whereby is the public passage of men of the parts adjacent and elsewhere, is so broken and ruinous that for lack of repair, if it be not speedily done, grievous damage and peril to passengers is to be feared, by divers letters patent the king appointed the said commissioners, three and two of them, as justices to make inquisition by true men of the said counties, within liberties and without, who are bound to repair the same and who used so to do, by amercements and otherwise to distrain and compel all found to be so bound to repair the said bridge, every one according to the rate of his holding, and to do all other things needful or fitting in that behalf, sparing no man.

*MEMBRANE 20d.*

Feb. 16. To the sheriff of Essex. Order, upon the petition of Walter Westminster. Edwyne, to stay the taking of his body until three weeks after Easter next, and if taken and imprisoned for the cause hereinafter mentioned and for none other to set him free by the mainprise of John de Southcotes and John Stephnes of Essex, bringing this writ on the aforesaid day ; as his petition shews that Thomas Houlot and Emma his wife are impleading the said Walter before the justices of the Bench concerning an alleged trespass, and that by a writ *de judicio* the king ordered the sheriff to take the said Walter so as to have him before the said justices on the day above mentioned to answer them, for that it was returned before the justices that he was not found and had nought in that bailiwick whereby he might be distrained, shewing further that he is