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that time paid a tenth and a subsidy with the clergy; by mainprise of Edmund de Burton, Thomas de Forton, Richard de Ottelev and Richard Pertrich of the county of Salop.

July 8. Westminster.

By bill of the treasurer. Brother John de Fordam, prior of the alien priory of Monks Thetford, touching the keeping of the said priory from 11 June last for as long as etc., for a farm of 50 marks to be paid by equal portions at Michaelmas and Easter; by mainprise of William Berard of the county of Suffolk, Thomas de Kantele, Adam Galvon and John Stiephen of the county of Norfolk.

By bill of the treasurer.

MEMBRANE 30

Jan 28

Order to John Bataill, escheator in the county of Essex, to take Westminster. the manor of La Lebury into the king's hand, cause Robert Bealknapp and Juliana, his wife, to have full seisin thereof, and levy for the king's use the issues thereof taken by John Neuport and Isabel, his wife, since the death of Isabel late the wife of Thomas Phelipp of Baldok; as the king of late,—in pursuance of an inquisition made by the escheator shewing that the said Thomas was seised of the manor in his demesne as of fee on the day of his death jointly with Isabel, late his wife, deceased, of the gift and feofiment of one Peter de Beauchamp made to Thomas and Isabel and the heirs of Thomas, (Peter having formerly acquired the manor from Thomas, who acquired it from Ellen late the wife of Henry Trippelowe, who acquired it jointly with her said husband from Robert de Beverlaco, clerk, to hold to her and her husband and their heirs and assigns), and that the manor is held of the king as of the honour of Boulogne by the service of a fourth part of a knight's fee, and that Thomas died on the morrow of St. Margaret the Virgin, 15 Edward III, and that Isabel died on the morrow of the Purification last, and that Juliana, wife of Robert de Belknapp, is Thomas's kinswoman and next heir, to wit, the daughter of Elizabeth, his daughter, and of full age, and that John Neuport and Isabel, his wife, occupied the manor and took the issues and profits after the death of Isabel late the wife of Thomas,—ordered the sheriff of the county of warn the said John and Isabel to be before the king in the Chancery on a certain day now past to shew cause why the manor should not be seized into the king's hand and delivered to the said Robert and Juliana, and why they should not answer to the king for the issues thereof taken by them, and to do and receive what the court should award, and they did not come on that day, although sufficiently warned by Geoffrey Michel and Walter Weston, as the sheriff has returned, but one Robert Maryon was then present there, who asserted that the said John and Isabel held the manor for life of his demise, with reversion to him, and prayed that he might be admitted to defend his right in this behalf, and was admitted; and now by process before the king between the said Robert Bealknapp and Juliana and the said Robert Maryon it is awarded that the manor be seized into the king's hand, and that the record of the matter be sent before the king in the Chancery for execution because delivery

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of the manor out of the king's hands pertains to the office of the Chancery, as is found by the tenor of the record and process thereof. which the king has caused to come before him in the Chancery, and the king has taken the fealty of the said Robert Bealknapp.

And be it remembered that Robert Bealknap came in the Chancery at Westminster on 28 January and made a protestation that he did not acknowledge that the manor is held of the king by the service of a fourth part of a knight's fee, as is supposed by the aforesaid inquisition.

Feb. 8.

Order to John Bataill, escheator in the counties of Essex and Hert-Westminster. ford, to take into the king's hand and keep safely until further order the abbey of Waltham Holy Cross and all the temporalities thereof, answering at the Exchequer for the issues; as Nicholas, canon of the abbey, who was elected abbot thereof and to whose election the royal assent was granted, has spurned such election and received the temporalities from the Pope by virtue of a reservation lately made by the Pope, and not from the king. By K. and C.

Feb. 12.

Order to Edmund Chevne, escheator in the county of Somerset,— Westminster. pursuant to an inquisition made by him shewing that Edmund Cary did not hold any lands in chief in his demesne as of fee on the day of his death, but held a third part of a messuage, a garden, 16 acres of land, 12 acres of meadow, 50 acres of wood and 60s. of rent in Chilton and Boure of Richard, son and heir of Nicholas Seymour, a minor in the king's ward, by knight service, and that Juliana, his sister, whom John Kyngessetell has now taken to wife, is his next heir and of full age,—to take the fealty of the said John and deliver the said third part to him and Juliana.

MEMBRANE 29.

March 5.

Commitment during pleasure to Thomas de Navenby of the office Westminster. of the escheatry in the county of Lincoln, provided that he answer at the Exchequer for the issues. By K. and C.

Order to all persons of the county to be intendent to him.

Order to Walter de Kelby, late escheator, to deliver the same to him by indenture.

March 6.

Commitment to brother John Letour, monk, and Henry de Wakefeld, Westminster. king's clerk, of the keeping of the priory of Frompton and all the lands and possessions thereof except knights' fees and advowsons of churches, to hold for as long as they shall remain in the king's hand on account of the rupture by the French of the late peace, rendering 80l. yearly at the Exchequer by equal portions at Easter and Michaelmas; provided that they maintain the number of monks and servants anciently ordained in the house, and the chantries, divine services, alms, pious works and other charges incumbent thereon, entirely out of the issues, profits and emoluments of the priory, leave the buildings of the priory in as good a state as they now are, and do not alienate or eloign the goods and other things in the priory, or commit waste or