

1316.

*Membrane 16d—cont.*May 27.  
Westminster.

Commission to William de Monte Acuto, Richard de Beere and Nicholas Rodlond to enquire into the complaint of men of the counties of Oxford and Berks that the abbot of Abindon and other men of those counties, who have weirs on the river Thames between the towns of Oxford and Wallingford, have reconstructed them of such a height that the lands on each side are flooded, and have constructed certain obstacles on the weirs, which are called 'lokes' (*quedam impedimenta, que lokes nuncupantur, super gurgites predictos similiter de novo fecerunt*) by which ships and boats, laden with victuals, are unable to pass to the town of Oxford and to return from thence as they have been accustomed to do, and to order such additions to be removed. By the Chancellor.

May 27.  
Westminster.

Commission of oyer and terminer to Lambert de Thrikyngham, Hugh de Louthre, Richard de Bernyngham and Thomas Plaice, on complaint by the prior of Watton that Peter de Malo Lacu, Hugh de Eland, Herbert de Sutton, Ralph de Sheffield of Lokyngdon, 'forester,' Robert le Somenour, Robert de la Grene of Etton, Adam Peret of Crauncewyk, William Warde of Raveithorpe, John de Hoton of Hesel, William Colman of Crauncewyk, Robert Colman of Crauncewyk, John Belle of Bordelby, Hugh Parker of Mulgreve, John de Egton, Ralph le Messager, Robert son of Robert Knyght, Robert son of Roger Mitayn, John son of Helewisia Westiby, Robert Attebarnes, Thomas son of William son of Richard, Roger de Cabergh and Henry his brother with others at Killyngwyk, co. York, opened a cart of the prior in which seven nuns of the house were shut up and dragged them out of it, seized two other carts laden with harness, charters, privileges, muniments and other goods of his with the 10 horses drawing them and led them away, seized 140 oxen and 40 horses yoked in his ploughs at Watton, contrary to the form of the statute of plough cattle, and drove them to the castle of the said Peter at Mulgreve, so that 160 of his plough cattle died, detained the rest until the prior made fine with the said Peter in 20*l.* seized 4 mares (*jumenta*) of his plough at Briddessale, co. York, and 10 horses, 2 bulls and 10 cows at Howald and drove them to some places unknown, so that they could not be found to be repleved, and harassed the prior by distrains at Watton, Caldekeld, Hewald, Killyngwyk and Briddeshale, co. York, so that he could not till his lands in those towns, broke the doors and locks of his granary at Briddessale and carried away 7 quarters of wheat, broke the doors of his stable at Tranby, co. York, and carried away a horse, and broke the doors of his grange and granary there, and took, trampled under foot and consumed his wheat and oats in the said grange and burned his house there, and at Watton carried off John de Hoton, his fellow canon, with his goods. By fine of 40*s.*

*MEMBRANE 15d.*May 30.  
Westminster.

Commission to Robert de Gray and John de Fekenham to enquire, by oath, of good men of the county of Worcester, touching the death of Robert Lynet at Beleye, co. Worcester. By the Chancellor.

May 23.  
Westminster.

Commission to Robert de Kendale, constable of the castle of Dover and warden of the Cinque Ports, and to Roger Sauvage, and Robert de Shirelond. Whereas lately on account of the unusual scarcity of corn and other victuals in the realm and the famine oppressing the people thereof, the king took into his protection and safe-conduct merchants of Spain, Sicily and Genoa coming within his realm with corn and victuals, he now understands that certain persons have, notwithstanding the protection and safe-conduct, taken a great ship, called a *Dromond*. This ship had been laden with wheat and other corn by merchants of Genoa and brought by them to the port of