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April 2. Appointment of Gilbert de Whitele to survey all carpenters, masons, smiths, artilliers and other workmen and the work done by them in all the king's castles, manors and other places in England to remove any workmen found to be unskilful in the works and replace them by others more skilful, to cause all work there which has been improperly done to be amended, and to do all other things that pertain to the office of such surveyor, taking in the office 40l yearly at the exchequer; during the king's pleasure.

By K. on the information of the treasurer.

Nov. 12. To all sheriffs, mayors, bailiffs, lords, masters and mariners of boats passing along the water of Thames, and lords of all streams of water descending into the Thames between London and Oxford for twenty miles (leucas) on every side, and other ministers and lieges. Whereas the king's son Edward, prince of Wales, has deputed Simon Wyfle and Nicholas de Mideford to keep his swans in the said water and streams by the supervision of Thomas Gerveys, and the said Simon Nicholas and Thomas have given the king to understand that many of those swans, flying and not flying, are dispersed in various places in the water and streams and far removed from them, which they cannot recover without his assistance; he for the indemnity of his son, now in parts beyond seas on business of the king and realm, has appointed the said Thomas, Simon and Nicholas to make search for all such swans, to take them when found and bring them to places where they can best be kept for the prince's use, and to take boats for making the search with their mariners for the moneys of the prince, arresting and bringing before the council for due punishment any mariners they find contrariant or rebellious herein. By C.

July 5. Licence, for 20 marks to be paid to the king by John de Moubray of Axiholm, 'chivaler,' the elder, for the said John and Elizabeth, his wife, to grant to William de Malbys, 'chivaler,' and Nicholas de Horton, clerk, in fee, the manors of Whethale, co. Lincoln, and Wodehall, Thresk, Kirkeby Malasart, and Burton in Lonesdale, co. York, held in chief, which John and Elizabeth hold to them and the heirs of John; they rendering yearly 100l. for the life of Elizabeth. Licence also for them, when in full seisin, to grant the manor to the said John and his heirs.

Vacated because otherwise below.

July 8. Pardon to John atte Grene, 'curreour,' of his outlawry in the county of Middlesex for non-appearance before the king to satisfy him of the ransom due on account of a trespass against Hugh le Taillour of Haliwellestrete, whereof he was convicted before the king, he having now surrendered to the Marshalsea prison and satisfied Hugh of the damage adjudged to him, as William de Shareshull, chief justice, has certified: on condition, however, that he satisfy the king of that which pertains to him in this behalf.

July 8. Licence for John de Ratheby, to whom the king by letters patent lately granted a bailiwick in Penrithwarde in Ingelwode forest, because he has often gone on the king's service in his wars and is still ready to go, when summoned, as becomes his estate, to rule the bailiwick by a sufficient substitute, as often as he cannot have leisure for this in person: and mandate to the warden of the forest beyond the Trent,