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heirs of his body, all the lands in Berkhamsted, which William Podyfat held of him in free tenure, and William Wolston, his bond-
man, held of him in bondage tenure, to hold by the service of 30s. yearly for all services, saving to the prince suit of the great court
of halimote of Berkhamsted, with remainder to John son of John de
Grenhull of Pailyngton in tail.

By p.s.


Grant, for life, to the king's yeoman John de Alkeshull of 6d. a day
out of the issues of the counties of Oxford and Berks, without the
conditions contained in the letters patent whereby the king lately
granted the same to him, surrendered.

By p.s.


Whereas the king and some of the prelates, earls and mer-
chants are bound by letters obligatory and instruments to Matthew
Canason, and his fellows, merchants of Asti (Dast) in divers great
sums as well of clear debt for money lent for the king's requirements
in those parts as for pains incurred by default of payment of the
clear debt at the times contained in the instruments, amounting
to 8395l. 9s. 6d. as the treasurer and barons of the exchequer have
certified into the chancery, and the said Matthew, to have payment
of this sum, has surrendered in the exchequer in presence of the chan-
cellor and the treasurer and others of the council the said letters and
instruments and released to the king and the said prelates &c. all
interest which he and his fellows could have under them, as by
letters of acquittance under his seal enrolled both in the chancery and
the exchequer more fully appears; and whereas Peter Provan and
Hugh Provan, merchants of the bishopric of Tauryn, have paid
the said sum to the said Matthew for the king, as Matthew has acknow-
ledged as well before the chancellor as before the treasurer and
barons of the exchequer, and have lent the king besides for his great
needs 10000l. which he has received at the receipt of the exchequer
by the hands of his chamberlains there, and for greater security
of re-payment there have bound themselves, Simon, archbishop of
Canterbury, singly by himself, and John, archbishop of York, William,
bishop of Winchester, Thomas, bishop of Durham, Michael, bishop
of London, William, earl of Northampton, Walter de Mauny,
'chivaler,' John de Wynewyk, treasurer of the church of York, and
David de Wollore, canon of the same church, by another instru-
ment in 18695l. as is more fully contained in the instruments; the
king, to shew good will to the said Peter and Hugh promises to repay
to them, their executors or attorneys, 6000l. at Easter next 6395l. 9s. 6d.
at Michaelmas following, and 6000l. at the Easter following, in
London or Brugges as they will. In case of default, they may claim
from the king and his goods, his heirs and their goods, and all of the
realm of England and their goods, 1000l, whereof one moiety shall
be for the lord of the land where the claim shall be made and the
other moiety for the said Peter and Hugh without anything of the
principal debt diminishing (amenuser). Grant also that they shall
have 20l. a day as well for their expenses as for a pension for each
day wherein the king shall be in default after any of the terms
aforesaid without anything of the principal debt diminishing, and
that they shall have full power to give to any lord or justice whom
they will, secular or of Holy Church, the fifth penny of the aforesaid
principal debt, the said claim and the said pension, without anything
of the principal debt and covenants aforesaid diminishing; which
claim, pension and fifth penny the king promises to pay.

French.