March 1. Appointment of John de Bukyngham, keeper of the privy seal of the king's son Thomas, guardian of England, and Ralph Spigournell to conduct John the king's adversary of France and other prisoners now in the castle of Somerton to the castle of Berhamstede; the king having ordered their removal on a rumour of a great fleet of his enemies being on the sea to invade England and deliver them out of custody. [Fædera.]

March 10. Appointment of John de Bourughton, William Cade, Alexander de Moullham and Andrew Lengynnour, to take masons, carpenters, plumbers and other workmen required for the king's works in the castle of Dover and put them to work there at his wages as long as shall be necessary; also to buy timber, stone, lead, iron and other things necessary for the works to be paid for promptly out of the king's moneys by the hands of the king's clerk William de Wykeham, and take carriage to bring the same to the castle; and to imprison all those found contrariant and rebellious herein until the king give other order touching them.

April 13. The like of Hugh Phelyp of Chelsey, for the castle of Wyndesore.

March 2. Licence for the alienation in mortmain by William de Edyngdon, bishop of Winchester, to the rector and brethren of Ebyndon, in part satisfaction of 30l. yearly of land and rent which they have the king's licence to acquire, of the manors of Alvescote and Alwoldesbury, which are held of the king in chief and are of the clear yearly value of 16l. 13s. 8d. as has been found by inquisition taken by John de Estbury, escheator in the county of Oxford.

March 12. Presentation of William de Feriby, parson of the church of Lusceby, in the diocese of Lincoln, to the church of Wikford, in the diocese of London, in the king's gift by reason of the priory of Pritewell, being in his hands on account of the war with France; on an exchange of benefices with Thomas de Besewyk.

Feb. 23. On the petition of Henry del Strother, son and heir of William del Strother and Joan his wife, showing that, although the said William and Joan for a great time and he from the time of their death peacefully held the manor of Langeton and a messuage and 24 acres of land as well as other tenements in Neweton, co. Northumberland, William de Nessefeld, escheator in that county, pretending that one Walter Corbet and one Alan del Burne were adherents of Gilbert de Middleton, traitor to the king's father and the Scots, and Alan held the messuage and land in Neweton and Walter the manor and other tenements in fee, in the time of their adherence, has taken the same into the king's hand as forfeit: the king, in consideration of many losses sustained by the said William and petitioner by the wars of Scotland, and for 20l. paid to him by the latter, has granted to him the manor, messuage and lands to hold to him, his heirs and assigns with the knights' fees, advowsons, services and rents of tenants and bondmen and the issues of the bondmen and releases all right in the same.

And be it remembered that the 20l. have been paid in the hanaper.