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receiver of the moneys for the execution of the will, 20l. on the quinzaine of each of the next three Easters; and has pardoned them the remaining 5 marks. By K. & C.

May 1. Presentation of John de Claybrok to the church of Wistowe, in the diocese of Lincoln, void by the resignation of Ralph, last parson thereof, and in the king's gift by reason of the nonage of the heir of Laurence de Hastings, earl of Pembroke, who held in chief. By p.s.

April 28. Licence for the king's clerk Gervase de Wilford, chief baron of the exchequer, from henceforth to enjoy his own home and attend to his own cares and serve God as he desires to do, for his life, without exercising any office or ministry of the king or his heirs; and protection for him, his men and the members of his household, with prohibition to all sheriffs, mayors, bailiffs, purveyors of the households of the king, Queen Philippa, the king's children and others, against taking their horses, crops, animals, carts, carriages, hay litter, poultry or other goods. By K.

May 1. Licence for the alienation in mortmain by Richard Roke of Westminster, the elder, to the abbot and convent of Westminster, in satisfaction of 40s. of 10 marks yearly of land and rent which they have the king's licence to acquire for the relief of their poor cell of St. Bartholomew by Sudbury, of 76½ acres of land and 3½ acres of meadow in Sudbury and Holegate, which are of the clear yearly value of 28s. as has been found by inquisition made by Roger de Wolfreton, escheator in the county of Suffolk.

May 5. On the petition of the abbot and convent of Grace Dieu in the march of Wales, shewing that they have a place called 'Le Hermitorie' of St. Briavels in Dene forest of the grant of the king's progenitors, kings of England, to find there a chantry of two monks to celebrate divine service daily for the souls of the said kings, and now the pastures by that place, where they used to have common for their animals and whereof the greater part of their sustenance was derived are assarted and in the hands of the king's tenants at rent, whereby the monks cannot have common in them, and their crops in the demesne lands pertaining to the hermitorie are trodden down and consumed by the king's deer, so that the two monks cannot be maintained at the Hermitorie of the goods of the same; and praying that they may find the chantry in the abbey and be discharged of the said chantry at the Hermitorie; the king, having found by inquisition that 200 acres and more of the pasture there wherein they had common have been assarted and their crops are damaged as aforesaid, and in consideration of the present depressed state of the abbey by various adversities, has granted their petition. And that the chantry in the abbey be not in any wise withdrawn it is his will that every abbot immediately after his appointment shall come to the keeper or constable of the castle of St. Briavels and make oath before him to find the same. By K. and by p.s.

May 4. Exemption from knighthood, for life, of John de Acton. By K.