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Whereas Henry III, by charter, granted to the abbot and monks of Fécamp, in exchange for the towns of Wychnelse and Le Rye, the manor of Cheltenham, co. Gloucester, with the hundred, and the manor of Sloghtre with the hundred of Salemanebury, in the same county, and the manor of Navenby, co. Lincoln, to be held of the king as freely as they held Wychnelse and Le Rye by grant of St. Edward and subsequent confirmations by King William and King Henry [Calendar of Charter Rolls, 1226-1257, pp. 321-322]; and whereas in the time of Edward I the said abbot and monks, by charter, granted the manor of Navenby, with all the liberties therein granted to them by Henry III, to the dean and chapter of St. Mary’s, Lincoln, in frank almoin, which grant Edward I confirmed; and the present king also confirmed the charters of Edward I and the abbot and monks, and granted that even if the dean and chapter had never used their liberties in the manor of Navenby, they should fully enjoy the same, the king has now heard that although the abbot and monks in the manor and hundred of Cheltenham, and in the manor of Navenby, while they were in possession thereof, and the dean and chapter since the latter came into their hands, have had the following liberties, to wit, view of frank-pledge, cognisance of pleas of the crown and common pleas, their own gaols to be delivered by their own bailiffs, return and execution of all writs, fines, amerce-ments, issues forfeit and forfeitures within the lordships of the manors, so that the marshals and stewards of the king do not enter therein, reformation of all trespasses and misdeeds, and quittance of them and their men from toll, passage, pontage, murage, piccage, stallage, and all other customs throughout the realm, nevertheless certain persons now newly hinder the abbot and monks and the dean and chapter from enjoying these liberties in the said lordships to the no small damage of themselves and the manifest danger of disherison of their churches; he therefore commands all justices, sheriffs, bailiffs and others to permit the abbot and monks and the dean and chapter to enjoy their liberties as above.

Feb. 4. Licence for the prioress and convent of St. Mary de Pratis by North-westminster, ampton to elect an abbess in the room of Isabel de Thorp, who has resigned the office into the hands of John, bishop of Lincoln. By p.s.

Feb. 10. Licence for the alienation in mortmain by Robert de Elkyngton, Westminster. Adam de Wodethorp, Robert Stynt, parson of the church of Hellowe, John de Raitheby and Alan de Wylugby, chaplain, to the abbot and convent of Louth Park, in satisfaction of 60s. of 20l. of lands and rents which they have the king’s licence to acquire, of 38 acres of wood in Cokeryngton, not held of the king, which are of the value of 38s. yearly, as has been found by inquisition taken by Walter de Kelby, escheator in the county of Lincoln.

Feb. 10. Pardon, for 6s. 8d. paid to the king by John de Neuland, to the said Westminster. John, Maud, his wife, and John, their son, for acquiring in fee from Thomas Lenche of Evesham, a messuage in the parish of St. Clement Danes without the bar of the New Temple, London, held in chief by the service of rendering to the king yearly, at Michaelmas, six horse shoes with nails, or 18d., and entering therein without licence; and grant that they may retain the same by the said service.