

1369.

*MEMBRANE 40d.*

June 30. Commission to Hugh de Courtenay, earl of Devon, William de Westminster. Wychyngham, Henry de la Pomeray, 'chivaler,' Edmund de Chelreye, Henry de Percehay, Thomas Chambernoun, John Cary and John Freysel to make inquisitions in the county of Devon touching an information that William de Luscite and Nicholas Whityng, whom the king has several times appointed to be keepers of the peace and justices of oyer and terminer in the county of Devon, have been guilty of oppressions by colour of their offices.

July 1. Commission of oyer and terminer of John Knyvet, Thomas de Westminster. Ingelby, Simon Pakeman and Richard de Leycestre, on complaint by John son of William Kyng that Richard Jamvill and others assaulted him by night at Hamelton, co. Leicester, imprisoned him until Thomas de Thorpe, William Base and John Power made a writing obligatory of 40*l.* to the said Richard for his deliverance, and carried away his goods. By K. for God.

The like, on complaint by William Kyng as above.

By K. for God.

July 3. Commission of array to Thomas de Veer, earl of Oxford, and Thomas Westminster. Tyrel, in the county of Essex. By K.

*MEMBRANE 37d.*

June 26. Commission to Nicholas de Beek, sheriff of Stafford, John de la Pole, Westminster. Thomas de Stafford, king's serjeant-at-arms, and John de Knyghtleye to make inquisitions in the said county touching alleged extortions and oppressions by colour of their offices by the deputies of the said sheriff and his fellows, commissioners of array in the county. By C.

June 26. Commission to Roger de Selby to be a keeper of the peace and Westminster. justice of oyer and terminer in the city and suburb of York with William de Fyncheden and his fellows, lately appointed by letters patent, in the room of William Savage, deceased.

July 1. Commisison to Alan de Buckeshull, constable of the Tower of Westminster. London Robert Ruthyn, Willam de Halden, Willam Tauk and Edmund Fitz Johan, pursuant to the statute of 25 Edward III. touching the removal of weirs, mills, stanks, palings and kiddles impeding the passage of rivers, and because the king has learned that there are many defects in the water or river running from Ware to Waltham and thence to the Thames near the Tower of London, which defects ought to be repaired by the constable of the Tower of London, to survey all such weirs &c. in the said river, to make inquisitions as to the time at which these were erected and touching all other defects, purprestures and other nuisances, and to throw down all those found by the inquisitions or other lawful informations to be obstructions; also to find by the oath of the good men of the counties adjacent to the river the names of those who have taken tolls, customs or other prises or profit of ships, boats and shutes passing by the river, without title, and the names of masters, governors and mariners of the same who have taken excessive wages contrary to the statutes of labourers, or excessive sums in hand or by covenant for carriage in the shutes and boats on the river, and by whose default the passage of the said