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*Membrane 31d—cont.*

many persons, as well foresters and other king's ministers as others, entered the king's chaces and free warren of Kyngeswode and Felwode, cos. Somerset and Gloucester, hunted therein without licence, fished in his free fishery there, took away fish therefrom, hares, conies, pheasants and partridges from the warren, deer from the chaces, perpetrated by colour of their office divers oppressions, extortions, trespasses, damages, grievances and excesses on the men dwelling within the chaces and in the neighbouring parts, and perpetrated other evils of vert and venison against the king and the late queen, Philippa, within the said chaces and warren. By C.

Commission to the same to make inquisition in the counties of Somerset and Gloucester on information that many assarts, purprestures, mines of stone and marlpits have been made in the king's soil within the chaces of Kyngeswode and Felwode, as well during the time when they were in the king's hands as when they were in the hands of the late queen, Philippa, and divers payments of wages of foresters and other ministers of the chaces are in arrear, and chattels called 'wayf' and animals and beasts called 'stray' and divers other profits and emoluments in the chaces are concealed and withdrawn from the king, and divers oppressions, extortions, trespasses, damages, grievances and excesses have been perpetrated therein by the king's foresters, verderers and other ministers, as also by other evildoers during the same times. By C.

Feb. 14. Commission to Ralph Tyle, bailiff of Haveryng-atte-Boure, Robert Westminster. Colyn and John Wibrygge, constable of the same town, to take in the county of Essex carpenters and other workmen and labourers for making and mending the walls and dykes of the marsh of Haveryng-atte-Boure which are broken by the inundation of the water of Thames, and put them to the works for as long as shall be necessary.

Feb. 10. Commission to John Conestable of Halsham as keeper of the peace Westminster. and justice of oyer and terminer in the East Riding, co. York, together with Henry de Percy and his fellows, to take the place of Robert Lorymer, whom the king for certain causes has thought fit to remove from that office.

Feb. 15. Commission to Richard Henbrugge, serjeant-at-arms, to arrest Westminster. William Osbern of Hoke and bring him before the king and council, and to enjoin on him on behalf of the king that he bring with him, under paid of forfeiture of all that he can forfeit, Morlettus de Mommor of the king's enmity, a prisoner under his custody, to inform the king about certain matters which shall be expounded to him there. By C.

*MEMBRANE 30d.*

Feb. 7. Commission *de walliis et fossatis* to Robert Bealknap and Roger Westminster. Digge along the water of Thames between Danyeleswall and the land of the prior of St. Mary Overe, and around the meadow called 'Crouchemede,' co. Surrey.