

1376.

Membrane 41d—cont.

de Spaygne, on complaint by John Dymmok, 'chivaler,' escheator in the county of Lincoln, that, whereas he, according to his office, would have taken an inquisition for the king's profit at Boston, Philip Gernon, Richard Botiller, Richard de Hekyngton, John de Sibbeseye, Roger Shetekost, William de Gausehill, Thomas Drop, John Sleigth, Walter 'Jonesservant Sleigth,' John Bullok, Robert Broun, Roger Sadeler, Walter Walker, Richard 'Wauterservant Walker,' Richard Walker, John Bakster, Walter 'Jones servant Bakster,' William 'Jones servant Bakster,' William de Kynardby, John son of Andrew Bolle, and others, assaulted and would have killed him, threatened him in life and limb and prevented him from taking such inquisition or exercising his office. For 20s. paid in the hanaper.

Feb. 5. Commission to Thomas Ughtred, Thomas de Metham, John Dayvyll
Westminster. and Walter Rudestan to make inquisition in the county of York touching all felonies, trespasses, extortions, oppressions, falsities, deceptions and other grievances perpetrated against the king and his people in Houdenshire.

Feb. 9. Commission to Nicholas, abbot of Shrewsbury, Nicholas Burnell,
Westminster. 'chivaler,' Richard Peshale, 'chivaler,' David Hannemere, Robert de Melton, clerk, William Walshale, escheator in the county of Salop, and Philip Laweley, canon of the church of St. Chad, Shrewsbury, to make a visitation of the hospital of St. John the Baptist, Shrewsbury, of the foundation of the king's progenitors and of his patronage, which is reported to be in a very dilapidated state; and to find by inquisition by oath of good men of Shrewsbury and the parts adjacent by whom its lands, rents and possessions are wasted, alienated and eloined, correct all defects which they find therein, punish delinquents, and do all things pertaining to the visitation of the hospital, the removal of the master or warden only excepted.

Feb. 10. Commission to William Palyngham and William Palfreyman,
Westminster. reciting that,—whereas for urgent causes concerning the state and governance of the realm it has been ordained, with the assent of the council, that none shall cross the sea without the realm without the king's special licence, and that in the case of all persons crossing from the realm diligent scrutiny shall be made that they take not with them gold or silver, jewels or letters of exchange, and that any bearer of such shall be sent before the king and council, (known merchants crossing in the exercise of their merchandise only excepted, who shall find security before bailiffs or keepers of the ports where they cross that they will use the money and letters which they take with them solely on their merchandise, on pain of forfeiture by the sender and imprisonment of the bearer), and that in all ports of the king's realm and power within seas and beyond there shall be diligent scrutiny that none coming from the court of Rome or other parts beyond seas bring within the realm letters patent, bulls, instruments, processes or other things prejudicial to the king or his subjects, and that none going with the king's licence to the court of Rome or other foreign parts pass in any port until he have found security before the king in the Chancery not to attempt anything to the prejudice of the king or people, which ordinance has been proclaimed throughout the realm,