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*Membrane 14d—cont.*

according to law and the custom of the city. The king has commanded the mayor and sheriffs to have the record and process, with all things pertaining to it, before them as they direct.

Nov. 6. Charge to all sheriffs, mayors, bailiffs and ministers, to arrest all persons prosecuting appeals &c. in Court Christian without the realm in derogation of the king's late collation to Thomas Spert, king's clerk, of the prebend of Wyvelescombe in the cathedral church of Wells, in his gift by reason of the late voidance of the bishopric of Bath and Wells, to which the said Thomas has been canonically admitted by John, bishop of Bath and Wells, and of the possession of the prebend by Thomas; and to bring them at once before the king and council with all letters &c. prejudicial to the king and crown procured by them.

Nov. 16. Commission of oyer and terminer to William de Ufford, earl of Suffolk, Robert de Wylughby, John de Cavendissh, William de Wychyngham and John Holt, touching extortions, oppressions, falsities, deceptions, champerties, ambidextries, maintenances, trespasses, damages, grievances and excesses committed in the counties of Norfolk and Suffolk, and touching wools, hides and wool-fells taken from those counties to parts beyond seas other than the king's staple without payment of the custom and subsidy due. By pet in Parl.

Nov. 22. Commission to Robert Bealknap, Peter de Brewes, Roger de Assheburnham, Nicholas de Wilcombe, Richard Halle and John Hyde, to find by inquisition in the county of Sussex the truth touching a petition of the king's merchants of London setting forth that, whereas they freighted certain ships in the port of Suthampton with wools for the staple of Calais, and whereas three of the ships on the voyage were driven by the violence of the sea to the coast of Shorham and there broken, (divers of the mariners of each ship escaping to land alive and great part of the wool being cast ashore and salved), the same has been carried away and unjustly detained from them by men of those parts. the king will aid them over the restitution of the wool to them; and if it prove that the wool should not belong to the king or others as wreck of sea, to have it restored to the said merchants, after reasonable satisfaction made to those who salved it.

Nov. 22. Commission to Edmund de Clippesby and John de Rokwod of the county of Norfolk to make inquisition by the oath of good men of the county touching defects in the castle of Norwich, as in houses, walls, enclosures, turrets and other buildings; and touching dung and other filth laid and thrown in the dykes of the castle.

*MEMBRANE 12d.*

Dec. 20. Commission of oyer and terminer to Robert Bealknap, William de Echyngham, Roger Assheborneham, William Batlesford and Roger de Ore, on complaint by the king's clerk, William de Bolton, parson of the church of Brede, that John Idenne, Richard de Herst, the younger, John Pelham, William Shortporte, John Ercher, John Wiltonesherst, Thomas Wiltonesherst, John Boxherst, Thomas Akedenne, Thomas Crescy and others broke his close and houses at Brede, co. Sussex, carried away his goods and so threatened him and