Membrane 13—cont.

1337.

St. Hilary last; on his petition shewing that on that day he was engaged on special business for the king enjoined on him both by the said king and by the chancellor and the treasurer, who had promised that occasion should not be taken against him for his non-appearance at the Exchequer on the day appointed.

By K.

Membrane 12.

April 23. Licence, after inquisition taken by John de Pulteneye, mayor and escheator of London, for the alienation in mortmain by Walter de Salynge to the master and brethren of the hospital of St. Thomas the Martyr of Acon, London, of the reversion of a messuage and two parts of a stall in the parish of St. Mary-le-Bow, London, which are held of the king as other tenements in the said city are, and are now in the tenure of Thomas de Meel for his life, to find a brother, as chaplain, to celebrate divine service daily in their church for the good estate of the said Walter and John Gizorz in life, for their souls after death, and the souls of their ancestors and heirs.

By p.s.

April 6. Whereas Edward I., by charter, granted to John Hayward the passage over the river Tweede at Berwick-on-Tweed, to hold to him, his heirs and assigns with all the appurtenances, quit of every farm secular service, until a bridge should be built there, and by an inquisition taken by Anthony de Lucy, in the presence of the mayor and bailiffs of the town, by command of the present king it has been found that the said John was peacefully seised of the passage and the profits thereof until the town was taken by Robert de Brus and his accomplices, to wit, for fifteen years, and the said Robert and David his son then held the passage and received the profits thereof until the town was surrendered to the present king, to wit, for twelve years, that from the time of such surrender has been in the king's hands, that Richard Bernard is kinsman and heir of the said John and is of full age, and that neither John or Richard ever released their right in the passage, and the latter has made petition that the passage may be delivered to him; the king, in consideration of the premises and of the said Richard's long service to him and his brother, John, late earl of Cornwall, has granted that he shall hold the passage according to the charter of Edward I., saving always to Richard, bishop of Durham, and his successors, the right which the bishop claims to have in a passage over the river.

By p.s.

March 21. Inspeiximus and confirmation of a lease, dated in the priory of Taunton, 18 March, 11 Edward III., by William de Monte Acuto, earl of Salisbury, to the prior and convent of Taunton and their successors of the manor and hundred of Dulverton, at a rent of 10£.; witnesses, Sirs Richard Lovel, John de Polton, John de Reigny, John de Menbury, Adam le Brut, Ralph de Middelneye, Thomas de Orcherde, John atte Yerde, and others. Grant also, at the request of the earl, that in times of voidance the king's ministers shall not interfere in the custody of the priory, manor or hundred.

[Monasticon, vol. vi., p. 167.]

March 20. The like of a grant in frank almoine, dated in the priory of Brustlesham, 20 March 11 Edward III., by the earl to the prior and convent of Brustlesham of 10 marks of the said rent of 10£. paid by the prior and convent of Taunton; witnesses as in the last entry. Grant also, at the like request, to them of the same liberty with respect to the king's minister in times of voidance.

Be it remembered that the said prior, on 18 November, 11 Edward III., surrendered the present deed in the Chancery at London praying that it might be cancelled, and the same is cancelled.