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the exuberant gratitude he has ever found in the good men of the town of Ypres he has granted to the said John, clerk and messenger of the said town, the first void benefice, with cure or without, even though it be a prebendal benefice, in the king’s gift, not exceeding the value of 100l. yearly, which he will accept. By p.s.

April 24. Appointment, during good behaviour, of William de Malton as the king’s artiller to make cross-bows, springalds and other engines for him and to supervise all his other workmen of such artifice. By p.s. [12,972.]

Mandate to Thomas de Foxele, constable of the said (sic) castle [Wyndesore], to let him have a fit house for his stay within the castle, necessary timber, iron and fuel for his office and 8d. a day for wages out of the issues of his bailiwick.

April 25. Grant to John Lestraunge of Muddle in enlargement of the late grant to him of the custody of the castle of Cruckyth during pleasure that he shall hold the custody for life. By K.

April 8. Licence for John Bardolf and Elizabeth his wife to grant for life to Nicholas Dammary the manor of Halghton, co. Oxford, said to be held in chief. By p.s.

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April 24. Ratification of the estate of Master John de Usk, king’s clerk, as parson of the church of Burghclere by collation of the bishop of Winchester. By p.s.

April 7. Pardon to Edmund de la Bechc, king’s clerk, for acquiring for life from Bartholomew de Insula a messuage called ‘le Wodehous’ and a carucate of land in the town of Enham, co. Southampton, and the bailiwick of the forestership of Chute, in the counties of Southampton and Wilts, said to be held in chief, and entering therein without licence; and licence for him to retain the same. By p.s.

April 28. Mandate to William Trussel, escheator on this side Trent, for restitution of the temporalities of the abbey of Wynechcombe to William de Shirlebourn, monk of that house, who has been appointed to be abbot by W. bishop of Worcester after he had for lawful cause quashed the election previously made of the said William in the conventual church, to which election the royal assent was given, and who has done fealty to the king. By p.s.

Writ de intendeendo to the tenants of the abbey.

May 1. Presentation of Philip de Bircestre, chaplain, to the vicarage of the church of Chiweton in the diocese of Bath and Wells, in the king’s gift by reason of the temporalities in England of the abbey of Jumièges being in his hands on account of the war with France.

April 8. Presentation of Simon de Braunfeld, vicar of the church of Lyndestede in the diocese of Canterbury, to the vicarage of the church of Sele in the diocese of Chichester, in the king’s gift by reason of the temporalities of the priory of Sele being in his hands on account of the war with Philip de Valoys: on an exchange of benefices with William de Weston.

April 21. Licence for the alienation in mortmain by Master John de Bradewas, clerk, of a messuage, 100 acres of land, 10 acres of meadow and 10 acres of wood, in Coderugge, co. Worcester, said to be held in chief, to a chaplain to celebrate divine service daily in the church of St. Mary Magdalene,