Membrane 15d—cont.

certain merchants became mainpernors that safe conduct would be provided for merchants paying such subsidy for their wools and took such subsidy from divers merchants on every sack of wool brought to the same staple, they never provided any conduct for the same merchants but after receiving the subsidy refused to provide conduct and so many merchants bringing their wool to that staple have been killed by the king’s enemies of France and they and others of the realm have lost goods to the value of 20,000l., and praying that the merchants who undertook to provide safe conduct should be called before the king in Parliament to satisfy the merchants damaged in such wise and him of what pertained to him in that behalf, it was agreed by the king and others of the council in that Parliament that persons and places should be appointed to hear the plaints of all that would complain of the same merchants so that justice should be done for the complainants; and in pursuance of such agreement appointing them to find by inquisitions by the oath of merchants and others of the city and suburbs of London as well as of the counties of Kent, Surrey, Sussex, Essex, Hertford and Middlesex, the names of those who received the subsidy in question and then refused safe conduct, how much subsidy they received and the losses sustained by their default, and to do justice for all those making complaints before them.

By common pet. in Parl.

April 1. Westminster.

Appointment of William de Middelton, sheriff of Norfolk and Suffolk, John le Straunge, king’s serjeant at arms, and Edmund de Gonevill to arrest all persons prosecuting appeals, whether in the court of Canterbury or of their own temerity, to prevent Thomas le Baxtere, chaplain, king’s clerk, from obtaining possession of the vicarage of the church of Aylesham which was in the king’s gift by reason of the temporalities of the see of Norwich being lately in his hands, and to which he was presented by the abbot of Battle on the king’s nomination.

MEMBRANE 14d.


Commission to William de Scargill, knight, and John Frere of Donecastre, lately appointed by letters patent to levy the tenth and fifteenth for two years, last granted to the king in the West Riding, co. York, of the second year of the grant, reciting that the king is informed that very many rebellious persons refuse to pay the same and that the sub-collectors of the same and the king’s bailiffs attend very negligently about the collection thereof, whereby the payment is unduly retarded, and appointing them to arrest all such rebels, sub-collectors and bailiffs and commit them to prison until further order.

By C.

The like to the following in the ridings and counties specified:—

Brian de Thornhull and Peter de Nuttelegh, in the East Riding, co. York.
Anketin Salvayn and John de Kilmynge, in the North Riding, co. York.
Henry Bykerstath and Robert de Syngelton, in the county of Lancaster.
Laurence de Ayete and Robert Albyn, in the county of Hertford.


William de Mocleston and Richard Hord of Walleford, in the county of Salop.