1348.
March 20.
Westminster.

Grant to the king's son Edward, prince of Wales, duke of Cornwall and earl of Chester, of the park of Macclesfield, co. Chester, to hold him and his heirs, kings of England, in the same manner as he holds the hundred of Macclesfield, for ever.

MEMBRANE 43.

Whereas the king by letters patent lately granted to his kinswoman Maud, countess of Ulster, in allowance of certain debts wherein he was bound to her, the marriage of his ward Thomas son and heir of Nicholas de Verdon in Ireland, tenant in chief, and she has now taken the habit of religion; he with her assent has granted the marriage to Henry, earl of Lancaster, to hold in her name in allowance of the debts aforesaid.

MEMBRANE 44—cont.

April 25.
Westminster.

Whereas the king by letters patent lately granted to his kinswoman Maud, countess of Ulster, in allowance of certain debts wherein he was bound to her, the marriage of his ward Thomas son and heir of Nicholas de Verdon in Ireland, tenant in chief, and she has now taken the habit of religion; he with her assent has granted the marriage to Henry, earl of Lancaster, to hold in her name in allowance of the debts aforesaid.

MEMBRANE 48.

April 18.
Westminster.

Whereas Lewelin, sometime prince of Aberffraw, lord of Snaundaw, granted in frank almonia to the house of the Hospital of Jerusalem Dolgenwal, and the brethren serving God and St. John there, the church of Ellemers and the late king afterwards confirmed such grant [Calendar of the Patent Rolls, 10 Edward II, p. 576], and that church, now commonly called Ellesmere, with its chapels, portions and all other right was subsequently appropriated to the house in due form; the prior and brethren of the hospital complain that, although they have possessed the church as appropriated for a hundred years and more, certain persons pretending that the advowson of the church was granted to Lewelin and his then wife by one of the king's progenitors in free marriage, that by their death without heirs procreated of their bodies the advowson reverted to the grantor and that the presentation to the same ought to pertain to right to the present king, have procured John de Derby, king's clerk, to be presented by him to the church, whereby the petitioners are greatly troubled about the possession of the church. Wherefore the king renounces any right and claim he has in the church by the form of the grant of his said progenitor to Lewelin and ratifies the appropriation of the church as above, even if the said appropriation was not duly effected.

By p.

[Cancelled.]

Be it remembered that the king, by letters under his secret seal, dated 18 July, in this year, directed to Master John de Offord, the chancellor, containing that by another letter under his secret seal, the king had commanded him to cause those letters enrolled here for the prior and brethren of St. John of Jerusalem in England of the church of Ellesmere, on the ground that the advowson should pertain to the king in right of his crown, to be revoked, whereof execution has not been made, revoked the same letters and charged the chancellor to have them cancelled, spoiled and annulled, and letters patent under the great seal made of such revocation and annihilation, as in the said letters under the secret seal, which remain in the files of the chancery among the writs of privy seal of this year, is more fully contained. Therefore the enrolment of those letters patent is cancelled and letters patent of such revocation, under the date of 18 July, are enrolled on the Patent Roll of this year; and the tenours of the said letters of secret seal appear in a schedule attached here.

Schedule.

July 9.
Mortlake.

The letters of secret seal commanding the chancellor to cause the letters patent aforesaid to be revoked and the business put back to the same state in which it was at the time when the king presented the said king's clerk to the church.