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July 2. Appointment of Alan la Zusche, justice of Chester, to the keeping of all the lands in the county of Chester and of North Wales, to wit, Ros, Rewennoc, Defferencloyd and Englefeud, from the morrow of the Translation of St. Thomas the Martyr, 84 Henry III, until Michaelmas, 36 Henry III, that is for two years and a quarter. He is to receive all the issues and render at the Exchequer 1,000 marks a year, and 250 marks for the quarter. He is to keep all the castles there at his own cost in time of peace, and preserve the king’s houses there in the same state in which they are now, acquit the appointed alms, and maintain the chaplains in the king’s chapels, and grieve no tenant unduly, but treat and maintain them according to law and the custom of those parts; saving to the king advowsons of churches, reliefs, wards, marriages, stews, parks and forests so far as regards venison and vert and he is not to overcharge the pasture to the detriment of the king’s deer; saving also to the king the tallages of free boroughs and all manner of escheats.

Writ to all tenants to be intendant to him as justice of Chester.

Mandate to J. de Grey to deliver to him the said castles and lands with all the stock and munitions therein, as he received them at the time when the king committed them to him at farm.

Appointment of Fulk de Orreby to the keeping of all the escheats in the said county and North Wales and to the bailiwick of the forestry in Cestrerye, as in advowsons of churches, reliefs, wards, forests, parks and all other escheats. He is also to see that none fish in the king’s stews, and to keep the venison and vert in parks and forests in the said county and in North Wales, and that none surcharge the pasture of the said parks and forests to the detriment of the king’s deer. And the barons, knights, free men and others of that county and of North Wales are to be intendant to him.

Mandate to Walkelin de Ardern, William de Boydel, Geoffrey de Dutton and Robert Patric to go personally to the castles of Gannoc and Dissard in North Wales, and the king’s castles and manors in the county of Chester, and to view in what state J. de Grey let them go and in what state A. la Zusche, justice of Chester, accepted them, and how they are munitioned with arms and other necessaries; and what they find they are to draw up in writing and cause it to be chirographed between them and the said J., one part to be delivered to the said justice and the other to be sent under their seals to the king.

July 9. Writ of aid to the sheriff of Kent, bailiffs and others of that county for John de Wivill and Master R. de Gosebec, whom the king is sending there in some arduous matters touching the Jewry.

Appointment during pleasure of Godfrey de Lyston, king’s Serjeant, to approve the town of Windesor and all the king’s demesne of that town, and to keep the same so that he answer for the issues of the said town and demesne at the Exchequer.

July 9. Presentation of Artald de Sancto Romano, king’s clerk, to the church of Egemendon, in the king’s gift by reason of the voidance of the abbey of Shrewsbury; directed to R. bishop of Coventry and Lichfield.

Grant for life to Raymond Peyl de Camayl that he shall not be distrained for any debt unless he be chief debtor or pledge.