The like of John le Bretun to enquire by jury of the county of Warwick whether William Muche of Alecote killed Thomas Scarlet by felony, &c.

MEMBRANE 4d.

Sept. 18. Whereas the prior of Kenilworth, notwithstanding that he sustained grave losses by occasion of the disturbance had in the realm and the siege of the castle of Kenilworth, has done the king a courtesy of 306 quarters of corn and other things, the king commands all bailiffs not to take any corn or other thing of the prior's by occasion of any mandates to bailiffs and ministers of taking purveyances for the king's use, without the king's special mandate.

Whereas the king is bound to his son John de Britannia in 4000 marks or arrears for the estimated value of the earldom of Richmond, for which he has assigned to him the issues and profits of the escheats and wards of lands, fees and marriages, falling to the king, as also the issues and profits of archbishoprics, bishoprics, abbeys and priories falling void, until he should be satisfied of the said sum; and the said John has appointed Henry, son of the king of Almain, and Roger de Leyburn to receive the said issues to his use; and whereas the said Henry and Roger have appointed the king's clerks Master Richard de Clifford, escheator beyond Trent, and Master William de Clifford, escheator on this side Trent, to receive the said issues in their bailiwicks, to dispose of them to the use of the said John as shall be expedient; the king ratifies this.

The said letter is duplicated.

Notification that the king has learned by inquisition made by Gilbert de Preston that, whereas Thomas, parson of the church of Frendesbyry, and Abel his brother, parson of the church of Esse, and many others were at dinner with Scoland, parson of the church of Stanes, at Stanes, it happened that William the clerk, who carried the holy water of Stanes, was passing in the high way of the town, and there came two grooms who were with the said Thomas and Abel and assaulted the said William, who for fear fled to the house of Andrew, vicar of the church of Stanes, complaining of the assault of the said groom, and the said vicar, hearing this, went out of his house with a falcion (falcione) drawn and struck one of the grooms on the right side of the head and almost cut off the thumb of the other groom. And when it came to the ears of Thomas and Abel that their men were thus wounded, they forthwith went out of the house of the said Scoland and went to the vicar's house, entered the house, and assaulted him, and the said Thomas took a pickaxe (hachiam a pik) from the hands of a groom who was with the vicar, and struck the vicar on the head as far as the brain, so that he died of the blow. And when the noise of this deed came to the ears of Scoland, he wondered much where Thomas and Abel were and went out of his house and found neighbours standing before the door of the vicar and asked what was the matter, and when they told him, he was much grieved and began to weep, and so returned home; and that the said deed was not perpetrated by the procurement of the said Scoland or by his assent.

Appointment of Walter de Berdested to enquire by jury of the county of Sussex whether William de Mandevill of Samdherst killed Robert Ingelond by misadventure, &c.