taxation. They are also to inquire whether the taxers, collectors and jurors received anything for the said taxation or collection or for the expenses of themselves or their clerks, and whether they or their clerks receive anything from liberties; and if there are any arrears, and why, and to levy the twentieth from those who refuse to pay.

To the religious of the counties of Cornwall and Devon. To save them expense the king has given power to the sheriff of Cornwall and William de Lysers, clerk, to receive from them fines for the twentieth incident on them and their villeins, or, if they defer payment, to tax their goods and levy the said twentieth as they think most expedient.

The like letters have been made in the counties of Cumberland and Westmoreland and Richard de Crepping and Master Geoffrey de Lilleshull have been appointed.

Power to the said sheriff of Cornwall and William de Lysers to receive fines from the religious in the county of Cornwall for the twentieth aforesaid; and appointment of them to enquire touching the said twentieth in the form thereof delivered to them by the king.

To William de Faukeham, marshal of the household. Whereas in the king's present stay at Winchester he is in great need of firewood (bascha) to burn in his household, whereby he lately ordered 500 cartloads of firewood to be felled in the same (sic) forest and carried to him there; considering that it will be less damage to him and harmful to the forest if the said firewood be taken from one spot rather than in divers scattered places, he is sending him to provide with the counsel of the keeper of [the forest of] la Bere, the foresters, verderers, agisters, regards and all the ministers of the forest, where this can be done in one spot, as the king has enjoined on him by word of mouth; so that the underwood of the said place, by counsel and view of the said persons, may be sold and the money arising from such sale laid out in the carriage of the firewood, and the said William to cause the spot to be enclosed so that it may grow again.

Commission to Nicholas de Yattindene to enquire by jurors of the county of Buckingham whether it would be to the damage of the king or others to grant to the abbot and convent of Messenden the following liberties in all their lands in that county, to wit, soc and sac, thol and them, infangenethef and utfangenethef, fire and water, in wood and plain, in meadows and feedings, in waters and mills, in stews and fisheries, in ways and paths, as well within boroughs as