Brittany and put to ransom and imprisoned there and certain of them by
agreement with the said enemies were sent to England to seek the
ransoms and pay it to the enemies but refuse to pay the ransoms or to
return to the said parts, to summon all such persons of the said county
before them and to induce them at the complaint of the friends of the
prisoners to pay the ransoms or return to prison according to the agree-
ment, and to compel any who may refuse, by incarceration of their bodies
and arrest of their goods, to do this and in case of any difficulty to certify
thereon to the king and council.

The like to William Hankeford, John Greynneville, Robert Hill,
William Bemond and the sheriff, in the county of Devon.

May 22.
Westminster.

Commission of array to Michael de la Pole, earl of Suffolk, Roger
Swelyngton, 'chivaler,' John Hevenyngham, 'chivaler,' Roger Drewry,
'chivaler,' William Berdewell, 'chivaler,' John Staverton, Robert Bukton,
Robert Peyton, Roger Caundysch, John Glemham and the sheriff, in the
county of Suffolk, for defence against the king's enemies of France and
others, who intend shortly to invade the realm.

The like to the following:

The abbot of St. Augustine's, Canterbury, the prior of Christchurch,
Canterbury, Thomas de Erpyngham, constable of Dover castle and
warden of the Cinque Ports, or his lieutenant there, Arnald Savage,
knight, Nicholas Haute, knight, William Barry, knight, John
Fremyngham, Thomas Brokhelie, John Digge, Robert Clifford,
Henry de Horne, Gilbert de Tutsan, Reginald Pympe and the
sheriff, in the county of Kent.

Edward, duke of York, John Berklele, Thomas Skelton, John Lisle,
John Popham, Robert Pudewandyn, Henry Popham, John Uvedale,
William Broccas, William Rynegborne, John Chamfoore, Edward
Cowdry, John Fromond, William Fauconer and the sheriff, in
the county of Southampton.

MEMBRANE 31d—cont.

Commission in slightly different words in the county of Kent to the
persons named above. Unfinished.

MEMBRANE 29d

May 21.
Westminster.

Commission to John Chitterne, clerk, and Master John Kyngton, clerk,
on information that in the hospital of St. Mary of Bethleem without
Bishhopsgate, London, which is of the foundation of the king's progenitors
and of the king's patronage, there are many great defects both in the
houses and other buildings and in the books, vestments and other
ornaments of the chapel through the negligence of the masters, and that
its lands, possessions and goods have been dissipated, and because the
king's clerk Thomas Longley, the chancellor, to whom the visitation of the
hospital belongs by his office, is too much occupied by urgent business of
the king and the realm to visit the hospital in person, to survey the estate
of the hospital and to correct the defects, to remove the master and
servants if necessary and to do all other things concerning the business of
visitation.