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"perfect series of their kind in the civilized world," and although
"they are of the greatest value in a historical and constitutional point
of view, yet they are comparatively useless to the public from the
"want of proper Calendars and Indexes." Whereupon their Lords-
ships assented to the necessity of having Calendars prepared, and
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