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**Membrane 17—cont.**

Jul 21. Mandate to the escheator in the county of Northampton to deliver the temporalities of the monastery of St. Mary de Pré by Norhampton to Avice Sywell, whose election as abbess has been confirmed by W. bishop of Lincoln, and whose fealty the king has commanded to be taken by William Tresham, esquire.

The like to the escheators in the counties of Buckingham and Leicester.

Writ de intendo to the tenants of the abbey.

Jul 13. Grant to the king’s serjeants, John Norys, esquire for the body, Thomas Babham, yeoman of the crown, and John Wilford, of the treasure found in the lordship and parish of Crokeseston, Co. Southampton, now and within two years hence, with free entry and issue to dig and search for the same.

By K. etc.

**Membrane 16.**

Jun 24. *Inspeccimus* and confirmation to John Halle, heir of Edward Perers, knight, and his heirs, of letters patent in favour of Edward dated 13 June, 1 Henry V. By p.s. etc. and for ½ mark paid in the hanaper.

Jun 19. Licence for John Neell, rector of the church of St. Mary, Colchirch, and John Tenterden, John Petresfeld, Nicholas Kent, John Riggis and Stephen Piers, parishioners of the said church, and other parishioners thereof, to found a gild of themselves and others in honour of St. Katharine in the said church, in the font whereof by the great conduit in London were baptized the glorious martyrs, St. Thomas of Canterbury and St. Edmund of Bury, the king; and grant that the brethren and sisters of the gild elect from year to year on St. Katharine’s day or within eight days following two wardens, and that the members be incorporate, having a perpetual succession and a common seal, the wardens to be capable of acquiring lands, rents, reversions and services and of pleading and of being impleaded in any court; licence also for the members to found a chantry of one chaplain to celebrate divine service daily for the good estate of the king and queen Margaret, for their souls after death and for the souls of the king’s progenitors, and for the good estate of the members of the gild and their souls after death, at the altar of St. Katharine in the said church, and to make ordinances and statutes necessary and convenient for the gild.

By p.s. etc.

Jul 14. Appointment in survivorship of William Weldon and Thomas Pygge as auditors of all castles, lordships, manors, lands and other possessions of the king in South Wales, with power to audit all accounts of all chamberlains, receivers, ryngilds, raglotes, 'wodwards,' sheriffs, feodaries, escheators, approvers, reeves, 'bedels,' farmers and other officers and ministers in the premises, taking such fees and wages yearly as Henry Normanton and Roger Appulton, late auditors, have had by the hands of the said ministers, and all other usual profits.

By K. etc.

Jul 10. Whereas the bailiffs, burgesses and commonalty of Gloucestre hold their town by grants of the king’s progenitors, confirmed by the king, at the fee farm of 60l. at the Exchequer, and now on their complaint it has been shewn that the town was well inhabited at the