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Membrane 9—cont.

2. Letters patent, dated 8 October, 50 Edward III., enlarging a former grant by the same to the same, granting the castle, town and honor of Hertford and the towns of Beyford, Esendon and Hertfordonyngbury to him, in tail male.

3. Charter of the said king, dated 8 November, 50 Edward III., granting to the said John, duke of Lancaster, in tail male, the castle, town and place of Bergerac (Bragerime) in the diocese of Périgord, with the whole castellany (castellana) as fully as the king's kinsman, Henry, late earl of Lancaster, had the same.

4. Letters patent, dated 28 February, 51 Edward III., being a grant by the same to the same of jurisdictions and liberties in the county of Lancaster similar to those enjoyed by the earl of Chester in Cheshire. [Federac.] By p.s.

OCt. 2. Westminster. Grant to Roger atte Wode, of the custody of a message and carucate of land in Sutton Courtenay, co. Berks, belonging to Roger son and heir of Richard Stanlak, extended at 26s. 8d. yearly, and in the king's hands because he is found to be an idiot by inquisition taken before Nicholas Somerton, escheator in that county, to hold the premises for life if it shall so long remain in the king's hands for that cause, without rendering aught therefor, but on condition that he find for the said idiot a sufficient maintenance according to the rate (juxta ratam) of the premises. By p.s.

Oct. 8. Westminster. Writ of aid for Walter Haule and John Legg, king's serjeants-at-arms, whom Robert de Hales, prior of the Hospital of St. John of Jerusalem, in England, has constituted his deputies in the office of admiral of the fleet from the mouth of the Thames westwards. By C.

Membrane 8.

Sept. 15. Westminster. Inspeccimus and confirmation of a charter, dated 14 July, 38 Edward III., [Charter Roll, 38 Edw. III., No. 2] reciting the grant by charter, dated 7 May, 16 Edward III., to Henry, then earl of Lancaster, in fee tail, of certain exemptions and liberties, the surrender at his death of the said charter by Henry his son and heir, and its cancellation, and, considering that what was so granted in fee tail could not by any act of the said Henry to the prejudice or disinherittance of his heirs, be annulled, but ought to remain in force, the said king renews and confirms in favour of his son John, duke of Lancaster, and Blanche his wife, daughter of the said Henry son of Henry, earl of Lancaster, and the heirs of their bodies, all the exemptions and liberties granted by the said charter of 7 May, notwithstanding its cancellation. By p.s.


Oct. 3. Westminster. Grant to Walter Rauf of the office of bailiff of Dover, to execute it personally or by deputy, during good behaviour. By p.s.

Vacated by surrender and cancelled because at his supplication the king granted the said office to John Gerald for life, 9 March, 8 Richard II.

Oct. 5. Westminster. Grant to John Kepe of the office of tronager of wools in the port and staple of Lenn, during pleasure and good behaviour. By bill of treasurer.

Letters for John Slyegh, staying in England, nominating Robert de Sutton, clerk, and Robert de Lughtburgh his attorneys in Ireland for one year. W. de Burstall received the attorneys.