Membrane 15—cont.


Memorandum: That because the said burgesses of Cambridge were, with those of Huntingdon, charged with making a balinger, the said 20 marks were repaid to them by command of the Council, as appears by a writ of privy seal directed to Richard de Ravenser, keeper of the hanaper, remaining on the files of the present year. That sum is therefore not sent to the Exchequer in the extracts, but both the said Richard and the burgesses of Cambridge are wholly exonerated therefrom as regards the king.

Dec. 1. Westminster. Pardon to the burgesses of Southampton for their great expenses in fortifying that town and the loss to the realm in case of its destruction, of the yearly farm due from them at the Exchequer for two years from the present date, and of all arrears from the time of the late king’s death, in order that in future they may the more gladly inhabit and fortify it against hostile attack.

By pet. in Parl.

Dec. 12. Westminster. Pardon,—on payment of half a mark by Richard Thurgrym, to whom Henry, bishop of Worcester, granted, for life, at the yearly rent of 6s. 8d., a messuage, seventy acres of land, three acres of meadow, and 12s. rent in Wyke Episcopi (which were lately held by John Wyche of the said bishop as of his manor of Wyke Episcopi, and which escheated to him because the said John was a bastard and died without heir), and who, after the prior and chapter of Worcester had ratified and confirmed the said grant, entered on the premises without obtaining the king’s licence—of the said trespasses, and licence for him to retain the premises according to the form of the grant.

Dec. 10. Westminster. Appointment of Thomas Stak, supplying the place [of the keeper] of the forest of Bere, co. Southampton, to provide and cut large timber and fuel there for the improvement of Porchester Castle, and fuel for the limekiln (pro torali calcis), and to carry the same to the castle.

Dec. 10. Westminster. Grant to William Bisshopdale, burgess of Newcastle-on-Tyne, of the office of controller of the customs and subsidies of wools, hides and wool-fells, and of the custom of 3d. in the pound in that town, during good behaviour.

By p.s.

Membranes 14 and 13.


Membrane 13—cont.


By p.s.

Dec. 10. Westminster. Grant to William Bisshopdale, burgess of Newcastle-upon-Tyne, of the office of controller of customs (as above).

By p.s.

Dec. 10. Westminster. Grant, in fee tail, in reversion, to John, lord de Neville of Ruby, who by agreement with the Council is a marcher, and one of the wardens of the marches of Scotland, of the manor of Bolton in Allerdale, co. Cumberland, with its knights’ fees and advowsons, which Robert de Moubray,