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Sept. 6.
Westminster.*Membrane 14d cont.*

Mandate to all sheriffs and others at the information of John Brampton of Wyndesore, whom the king has appointed to search out all spies within the realm, to arrest all such and bring them before the king and council with all speed.

By C.

MEMBRANE 13d.

Aug. 27.
Westminster.

Commission to Martin Ferers, Ralph Chalons, Robert Markeley, serjeant at arms, John Scarborough, John Bitham, serjeant at arms, and John Brakle to arrest William Benteleye, mayor of Plymmouth, and bring him before the king and council and to seize all goods of him and of Richard Spycer of Plymmouth which have come into his hands and keep them in safe custody; as in the acts of the court of Admiralty of England it was found that he acknowledged himself to be answerable for the sum of 2,000 and nearly 3,000 marks for goods captured for the said Richard at sea, as appears by a certificate of Thomas Percy, earl of Worcester, admiral of England and Ireland, sent into Chancery, and he lately confessed verbally before the king and council that he had in his custody of the goods so captured chattels to the value of 2,000 marks, and now the king understands that he intends to flee to foreign parts and dissipate the said goods and chattels.

By C.

Sept. 4.
Westminster.

Commission *in wallis et fossatis* to John Colepepir, William Makenade, Stephen Batenham, John Martyn, and John Newport along the coast of the Thames in the marshes of Derteford and Stone, co. Kent.

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Commission to Hugh de Waterton, 'chivaler,' John Chaundos, 'chivaler,' Roger Partrich, Philip Holcote, John Gomond and the sheriff of Hereford, as the king understands that a fine was levied at Westminster, on the morrow of All Saints, 6 Richard II, before Robert Bealknap and his fellows, justices of the Bench, between Maculin de la Mare and Alice his wife, plaintiffs, and Roger Nassh, clerk, Robert Bourne, clerk, Nicholas Baker, clerk, and Robert Herle, deforciant, touching the manors of Little Hereford and Yatton, co. Hereford except 7 messuages and 8½ virgates of land in the said manor of Little Hereford, by which the latter granted the reversion of the manors on the death of Peter de la Mare, who held them for life of their inheritance, to the said Maculin and Alice and the heirs of their bodies with remainder to Thomas de la Mare and the heirs of his body, and the said Maculin and Alice have died without heir of their bodies and the said Peter and Thomas have died and the manor of Little Hereford is held in chief by knight-service and so should be taken into the king's hand of the minority of the daughter and heiress of the said Thomas, to whom the premises remain, to enquire of whom the manors are held and by what service, what they are worth, whether they should remain to the said Joan and of what age she is, and to take the premises into the king's hands if they find that she is a minor and the manor of Little Hereford is held in chief.

By C.

MEMBRANE 12d.

Aug. 22.
Westminster.

Whereas the barons of the Cinque Ports and the good men of other ports in the north by the king's command and of their own free will have sent letters to Scotland shipp, barge, galley, and other vessels well