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Membrane 6—cont.

obtained possession, and afterwards by an inquisition taken before William de Leek, late escheator in the county of Derby, it was found that two messuages, two virgates and 15 acres of land and one acre of meadow called 'Kirkemedene' which Thomas Southam lately acquired in the town of Stapulhull came to the hands of the abbot and convent without licence, and the king afterwards granted the same to Henry Bradfeld as above; and afterwards at the suit of the abbot, representing that he and the convent had been in possession of the premises until they were expelled by colour of the inquisition and the king's letters, the king directed the sheriff to summon the said Henry to appear before him in Chancery at a certain day now past to show cause why the letters should not be revoked and the abbot and convent restored to possession, and the sheriff returned that he summoned him by William Jakson and Ralph Fytkok, but he did not appear and judgement was given against him.

July 21. Presentation of William de Sponne, vicar of the parish church of Westminster. Bromesgrove, in the diocese of Worcester, to the parish church of Sibbesdon, in the diocese of Lincoln, in the king's gift by reason of the alien priory of Lyre being in his hands, on an exchange of benefices with Thomas Bloxham.

Aug. 13. Grant for life to the king's servant William Messyn, of the king's Westminster. cellar, of a messuage, 60 acres of land and 2½ acres of wood in Gamelyngey, co. Cambridge, late of Edmund Avenell, which Robert Bealknap held of John, bishop of Lincoln, and which came into the hands of Richard II by reason of a judgement against the said Robert in Parliament and are still in the king's hands, which do not exceed the value of 6 marks yearly and from whence answer has been made at the Exchequer for 28s. yearly. By p.s.

Aug. 11. Grant for life to the king's brother John, earl of Somerset, of 40l. Westminster. yearly at the Exchequer from Easter last; in lieu of a like grant to the king's knight William de Lyle of Rougemond by letters patent dated 17 September, 2 Henry IV, surrendered. By p.s.

Sept. 1. William Norton, citizen and draper of London, staying in England, Westminster. has letters nominating Nicholas Woder, esquire, and Thomas Shortall of Develyn his attorneys in Ireland for one year.

Simon Gaunstede, clerk, received the attorneys.

He also has like letters nominating Richard Reede and Richard Vale of Dyvelyn, merchant. The same Simon received the attorneys.

MEMBRANE 5.

Aug. 1. Pardon to Henry del Derulet of the county of Lancaster and Alice his Westminster. wife, late the wife of Robert de Bukley, for all felonies, trespasses, forfeitures and misprisions committed by them except treason, murder and rape. By p.s.

Aug. 3. Exemption for life of Thomas Skynner of Shrewsbury, who is of the Westminster. age of 65 years and more, from being put on assizes, juries, attainments, recognitions or inquisitions and from being made mayor, sheriff, escheator, coroner, justice, steward, bailiff, constable, collector of tenths, fifteenths or subsidies, arrayer, leader or trier of men at arms, hobelers or archers or other officer or minister of the king. By p.s.