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FOREWORD

THIS volume consists of two parts : the first, a collection of documents illustrative of various aspects of Irish parliaments and councils in the reigns of Edward II, Edward III and Richard II ; the second, four rolls chiefly concerned with three subsidies granted to the King's Lieutenant in Ireland in 1420 and 1421. In an appendix there have been added a few documents which bear upon the subject matter of the volume : four are from the reign of Edward I, one from that of Edward III and one from that of Richard II. In reproducing mediaeval manuscripts we have aimed at an accurate extended text, with capitals and punctuation according to modern usage. French texts have been normalised to the extent of substituting j, u and v for i, v and u where occasion requires, and by inserting an apostrophe to indicate the elision of a vowel : a closed e has been marked by an acute accent where this is likely to help the reader, but we have used this device sparingly. Any other alterations or corrections of the original have been noted. A substantial part of our material, however, has necessarily been taken from transcripts. So far as these texts are concerned, we have, as a rule, silently corrected mistaken readings, wherever we have felt able to do so, since it would be of no assistance to the reader to find the transcriber's errors in a footnote. Words supplied where an omission or lacuna occurs in the manuscript, whether original or transcript, have been put into italics and enclosed within square brackets. We give, of course, precise references for the immediate sources of all our texts, with references to the original sources where these have perished. Wherever a date occurs in the text of part I the equivalent according to the modern style has been inserted in the margin : but in part II it has not seemed necessary to supply the equivalent except where a date first occurs.

Our work has been completed under the difficulties of war-time conditions, and we are indebted to those who have enabled us to overcome them. Some names we would especially mention : Mr. C. T. Flower, the Deputy Keeper of the Public Records in London, who arranged for documents to be made available for our use ; Dr. D. A. Chart, through whose good offices we obtained photostats of pages of Archbishop Sweteman's Register, and who has checked some of our readings, and Dr. Jocelyn Otway-Ruthven, who verified references for us in Dublin and has helped us in other ways, not least by reading part of the proofs with the manuscripts. Through Mr. Flower's kindness the proofs of some documents have been corrected from the records in his keeping by Mr. P. V. Davies and Mr. H. C. Johnson of his department, to whom also we must express our grateful acknowledgement, while Mr. W. A. O'Sullivan has relieved us of the heavy task of preparing the Index of Persons and Places. We trust that the result is not unworthy of the help we have received.

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INTRODUCTION

I.

PARLIAMENTS AND COUNCILS OF MEDIAEVAL IRELAND

It seems desirable at the outset to say something of the meaning to be attached to the terms 'parliament,' 'great council' and 'council,' as they were employed in mediaeval Ireland. In June 1441 in a memorial addressed to the king from a great council at Naas, the courts of Ireland are divided into two groups, the one consisting of the chancery, king's bench, common bench and exchequer, and the second of 'other courts royal, that is to say parliaments and great councils'¹; At that period a great council appears to have performed many of the functions of parliament and to have been of similar composition, representatives of the commons attending as well as the lords spiritual and temporal. The documents included in the second part of this volume indicate how close the resemblance had then become; but the process of assimilation had apparently not yet worked itself out quite late in the fourteenth century and may not have been fully achieved until the fifteenth.

Like 'parliament' the term 'great council' only gradually came into use and acquired a technical meaning, and at one time the word *tractatus* was employed for designating afforced meetings of the council which did not have the status of parliaments. The distinction was not, however, clear even in the eyes of contemporaries, for an assembly held at Kilkenny on 16 October 1346, which is termed a *tractatus* in the records,² is called a parliament in the account roll of Holy Trinity Priory, Dublin.³ This *tractatus* was attended by represent-

¹ E.101/248/16, m. 1. An extract from another copy of this document was printed by William Lynch, *Case illustrative of . . . prescriptive Baronies of Ireland*, p. 58: he refers to his source as 'the Statute Roll, Chancery, Dublin, anno 1441,' but this must be a mistake for the Close Roll, 19 Henry VI: see *Cal. Patent and Close Rolls*, p. 262, no 30, and Leland, *History of Ireland* (1774), ii, 509.

² In the Patent Roll (*Cal. Patent and Close Rolls*, p. 53, no. 81), in a Plea Roll of 21 Edward III (Harris Collectanea, II, fo. 208-9) and in the Exchequer Memoranda Roll 25-26 Edward III, m. 7 (*Cal. of Memoranda Rolls*, xxv, 15). Similarly the name *tractatus* is applied to a meeting at Kilkenny in May 1348: no details are available, but Hugh de Burgh, the chief baron of the exchequer and two kings' serjeants, Edmund de Berford and William Petyt, received special payment for their services there (E.101/241/16, m.3).

³ *Account Roll of the Priory of Holy Trinity, Dublin* (R. Soc. of Antiquaries of Ireland), pp. 111, 118.

atives of the commons as well as by the magnates.¹ To similar assemblies, which were summoned to Dublin on 17 October 1351 and to Kilkenny on the 31st of the same month, the name 'great council' is applied.² These three meetings were apparently national in character, in the sense that, like parliament, they were representative of all those parts of Ireland which were effectively administered in the king's name. But from time to time afforded meetings of the council were called to deal with matters which were not regarded as of national concern, and to these representatives from a restricted area might be summoned. At one such council, held at Naas on 9 May 1355, there were present besides the official element, only, so far as our knowledge goes, the bishop of Kildare and certain of the principal clergy of the diocese;³ such a limited representation of the district concerned appears, however, to be exceptional.

In an ordinance made by Edward III in 1357, it was laid down that Irish public affairs of difficulty and major importance were to be discussed and settled, according to justice, law, custom and reason, in councils and parliaments. At both councils and parliaments the kings' learned counsellors were to be present: at the former they were to be assisted by the prelates, great men (*magnates*) and certain of the more discreet and worthy men of the districts in the neighbourhood of the place where the meeting was held; at the latter they were to be assisted by the prelates, nobles (*proceres*) and others of the land as custom required.⁴ The ordinance does not speak of 'great councils' and apparently does not contemplate non-parliamentary assemblies on a national scale. The councils which met subsequent to the ordinance seem, however, to have been summoned not infrequently on a basis wider than its provisions, so as to include representatives of the greater part of the country, sometimes perhaps of all those counties and franchises which acknowledged the king's allegiance.

Particulars are available for very few councils, but it is evident that the composition of each assembly and the method of summoning those required to attend were decided *ad hoc*: no consistent principle was observed, as the following examples will show. In 1359 two councils were called by writs in identical terms of the same date: one council, representative of the northern portion of the country (but not including Ulster), was summoned to Dublin on 1 April, and the other, representative of the southern portion, to Waterford on 8 April. Besides prelates and magnates there were summoned two elected representatives from counties, franchises and towns.⁵ In the same

¹ The Memoranda Roll states that the subsidy was granted 'per viros religiosos et magnates et totam communitatem Hibernie,' and the Plea Roll that the grant was by 'quidam magnates et communitates terre Hibernie.' It does not necessarily follow, however, that representatives were elected by counties, franchises and towns, as they were on the occasion of later great councils and parliaments.

² *Early Statutes of Ireland*, pp. 374-6. Again information is lacking as to the precise method of representing the commons.

³ Below, part I, no. 14.

⁴ *Statutes of the Realm*, 1. 357; *Early Statutes of Ireland*, pp. 408-9.

⁵ W. Lynch, *A view of the Legal Institutions . . . in Ireland*, pp. 315-7.

year another council was held at Dublin on 5 August for certain very urgent business especially concerning the king's peace in Leinster, and there were summoned a number of prelates and magnates, including the chancellor of the franchise of Trim, together with the chief officers and four representatives of Dublin and Drogheda, and six knights from each of the counties of Dublin, Kildare, Louth and Meath.¹ In July of the following year a council met at Kilkenny which was said to include prelates, peers and commons of Ireland.² A council at Dublin in January 1370 and a great council which met there in the following April certainly included prelates and presumably magnates³, while another great council at Ballydoyle in April of the following year was attended by prelates, magnates and 'others'.⁴ To a council which was held at Dublin on 25 February 1372, seven prelates and the earls of Kildare and Ormond were summoned by individual writ, while a large number of named knights and others were summoned through the sheriffs of Dublin, Meath, Louth and Kildare, who were also required to send two representatives from their counties. Only two towns, Drogheda and Dublin, were represented on this occasion: the former by six named burgesses, and the latter by the twenty-four sworn councillors of the city and two elected citizens.⁵ In the same year a council was held at Ballyhack on 8 June to which the bishops of Cork and Cloyne were summoned, together with proctors of their clergy, the chief officers and six representatives of Cork and Youghal, and four knights from each of certain neighbouring counties: to the same place at the same time there were summoned the keepers and supervisors of the peace and all men capable of bearing arms.⁶ Two years later a council, which met at Dublin on 27 May 1374, was summoned upon yet another plan: individual writs were sent to eleven prelates and the archdeacon of Meath, to the earl of Kildare and many other magnates, while four knights were summoned from Dublin, Meath, Louth, Kildare and Carlow and two burgesses from Drogheda, Dublin and Dundalk.⁷ This council had been preceded by a meeting on 29 March, to which the archbishop of Dublin, the earl of Kildare, Robert Preston and John Keppock had been summoned.⁸ A council held at Castledermot on 30 April 1379 was attended by the *meliiores homines* of the counties of Dublin, Kildare, Carlow and Kilkenny,⁹ and another at Clonmel on 5 August 1381 was

¹ *Ibid.*, pp. 317-8. We use the word 'county' loosely. The Irish chancery did not, in fact, distinguish at all consistently between county and franchise or sheriff and steward.

² Below, part I, no. 16.

³ Below, part I, nos. 22, 24.

⁴ Below, part I, no. 27.

⁵ Lynch, *Legal Institutions*, pp. 318-21. For the twenty-four *jurés* of Dublin, see J. T. Gilbert, *Historic and Municipal Documents of Ireland*, pp. 266-7.

⁶ Below, part I, no. 30. It is to be presumed that the sheriff of each county concerned received two writs, one summoning four knights and the other summoning the 'defensible' men.

⁷ Lynch, *Prescriptive Baronies of Ireland*, pp. 53-5.

⁸ Below, part I, no. 31.

⁹ Below, part I, no. 60.

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attended by prelates, magnates and commons from Kilkenny, Wexford, Tipperary, Waterford, Cork, Limerick and Kerry.¹ In January of the following year a council at Cork, which was hastily summoned on the death of the earl of March, the king's lieutenant, was attended by the neighbouring bishops or their proctors, the earls of Ormond and Desmond, the mayor and two elected citizens of Cork, two elected knights from each of the counties of Cork and Limerick, and 'very many other nobles and commons.'² A council at Kildare in July 1385 is noteworthy because, in the absence of the king's lieutenant, the chancellor, the bishop of Lismore and the earls of Desmond and Ormond were appointed commissioners to preside in his place.³ Special arrangements were made for dealing with petitions, and the chancellor, the chief justice of the justiciar's bench and one of the king's serjeants-at-law were appointed to 'admit' them and treat with those who sought charters of pardon.⁴ This information indicates, of course, that prelates, magnates and king's ministers were present at the council, but it does not appear whether representatives of the commons were there also. They were, however, present at councils held later in the year, at Dublin and Kilkenny, which were attended by prelates and 'proceres, maiores ac communes terre'.⁵ On 9 October 1392, the earl of Ormond, having received the patent of his appointment as justiciar, requested the chancellor to arrange for a council at Castledermot, summoning thereto all members of the king's council and the leading men of the neighbouring counties and cities. The purpose of this council, as appears elsewhere, was the formal admission of Ormond to office and a discussion upon the governance of the land.⁶ It is clear that the council met before the end of the month, although the exact day is not known.⁷ In none of the seven last-mentioned cases have the writs of summons survived and the manner in which popular representatives were selected is uncertain, though we are told that, on the occasion of the council at Cork in 1382, the citizens of Cork and the knights of the counties of Cork and Limerick were 'elected.' No such representatives were present at a council held at Kilkenny on 30 March 1394, to which there were summoned the bishops of Meath, Kildare and Leighlin, the earl of Kildare, the prior of the Hospitallers, the steward of the franchise of Meath, Thomas fitz Eustace, the mayor of Dublin, the sheriffs

¹ *Cal. Patent and Close Rolls*, p. 113, nos. 166-7.

² Below, part i, no. 66.

³ *Cal. Patent and Close Rolls*, p. 123, no. 1. The commissioners were to 'continue' the council.

⁴ *Ibid.*, p. 123, no. 2. By 'ad petitiones in consilio regis exhibendas admittendas,' we understand not merely 'receiving' the petitions, which would be the function of a chancery clerk, but what in England was called 'trying' them, although it may be that a final answer in difficult cases would be reserved for the lieutenant.

⁵ *Early Statutes of Ireland*, pp. 482-6.

⁶ J. Graves, *Proceedings of the King's Council in Ireland*, pp. xvi-xvii, 42-3.

⁷ Ormond was at Dublin from 30 October to 3 December, and on 23 November the council is mentioned as in the past.

of Kildare and Carlow, and three named knights.¹ In the following year to another council at Kilkenny, which met on 19 April, there were summoned four bishops, three earls and two representatives each from the towns of Dublin, Drogheda, Kilkenny, Limerick, and Waterford.²

The councils we have mentioned cover a period of fifty years, from 1346 to 1395. Nine of them are designated 'great councils' in contemporary documents—those meeting at Dublin and Kilkenny in 1395, at Dublin in 1370, at Ballydoyle in 1371, at Dublin in 1372 and 1374, at Clonmel in 1381, at Dublin in 1385 and at Kilkenny in 1394. In 1360 we find the phrase 'general council,' which presumably implies that the meeting in July of that year at Kilkenny was representative of the whole country.³ Some years later this council would probably have been called 'great,' but it is not easy to be certain what it was that distinguished a great council from other afforded councils, for the name does not seem to have been consistently applied. Thus the Dublin council of 1385 is termed 'great' in two documents and not in another;⁴ and it is not easy to understand why the Kilkenny council of 1395 was not, like that of the previous year, a 'great' council, more especially since it seems undoubtedly to have been summoned as an alternative to a parliament which the king had announced for the same date.⁵ This inconsistency towards the end of the fourteenth century is the more puzzling since it would seem that for some purposes a great council was then regarded as possessing a similar status to a parliament. Thus in 1368 draft ordinances are transmitted to Ireland for consideration by the prelates, magnates and other lieges of the land at either a parliament or a great council;⁶ in 1377 a fine is respite until the next parliament or great council,⁷ and in 1382 a justiciar is elected to hold office until the next parliament or great council.⁸ A great council, we should naturally suppose, must have some recognisable quality which made it technically different from other councils, but we cannot be certain that the words had

¹ Lynch, *Legal Institutions*, pp. 331-2; some omissions are supplied by *Cal. Patent and Close Rolls*, p. 151, no. 23. It is remarkable that writs were also addressed to the treasurer's lieutenant and the chief justice of the king's bench.

² Lynch, *op. cit.*, p. 333.

³ Below, part i, no. 16.

⁴ All three are from the Close Roll of 9 Richard II and are printed in *Early Statutes of Ireland*, pp. 482-6. There is some difficulty in reconciling the first and third, the former dated 20 October speaking of a great council on Monday (?) after Michaelmas (2 October) and the latter of a great council on Monday after St. Luke (23 October). The second document which was exemplified on 14 January 1386, and is in the nature of a memorial by prelates, lords and commons, speaks of councils at Dublin and Kilkenny.

⁵ See Richard II's letter of 1 February in *Proceedings of the Privy Council*, i, 55-7.

⁶ *Foedera*, III, ii, 853-4.

⁷ Below, part i, no. 50.

⁸ Below, part i, no. 66.

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become a term of art even by the end of the fourteenth century¹ or that they were necessarily used in writs summoning a council that would be recognised to be 'great.' It is manifest that, when the phrase was first coming into use, there need not be represented in a great council all the estates and communities which it became customary to summon to parliament, and that the representatives of towns, counties and franchises need not be elected. Nor, so far as the elective principle is concerned, should this be a matter of surprise, for it is to be borne in mind that the practice of summoning elected representatives to parliament did not become invariable until some time in the reign of Edward III. In England this was the practice throughout his reign, although there had been a number of parliaments under Edward II which did not include a representative element, while under Edward I such representation had been comparatively rare. It seems, however, that so late as 1345 parliaments might be summoned in Ireland which consisted exclusively of ministers, prelates and magnates.² Between that date and 1370, perhaps as late as the latter year, it seems to have become the invariable rule to summon elected representatives of the commons,³ but it would appear that elected representatives of the lower clergy were not regularly summoned before, at earliest, 1371.⁴

¹ When in the fifteenth century it became customary to expand the commission to the king's lieutenant and to give him specific authority to exercise powers formerly implied, he is charged 'ad parlamenti et concilia . . . quociens opus fuerit summoneri et convocari seu assignari facienda.' In this respect the commissions to the earl of Ormond of 10 February 1420, to the earl of March of 9 May 1423, and to Thomas Stanley of 29 January 1431 are identical (W. Prynne, *Animadversions*, pp. 412-3; *Foedera*, x, 282-5; *Cal. Patent Rolls*, 1429-36, p. 105: the first and second of these are reprinted in Lascelles, *Liber Munerum Publicorum Hiberniae*, iv, 47, 94). The omission of 'magna' before 'concilia' does not, however, represent contemporary Irish usage.

² In Pipe Roll no. 65 there was an entry of a payment to a messenger for taking 94 writs to divers magnates and chief men of Ireland, summoning them to a parliament at Dublin a month after Easter 1345, and an entry of payments to messengers taking writs directed to prelates, magnates and ministers of Ireland for the parliament at Dublin on the quinzaine of Trinity following (*Report of Deputy Keeper of Public Records in Ireland*, LIV. 24). These entries should be compared with one in Pipe Roll no. 54 recording a payment to messengers carrying writs to divers prelates, nobles, magnates, sheriffs, stewards, mayors, provosts, sovereigns and bailiffs, summoning them to a parliament in the Hilary term 1329 (*ibid.*, XLIII. 34).

³ The evidence for the regular summoning of representatives of the commons does not go back beyond 1370: for the years 1370-72, it is derived from the inquisitions into the proceedings of William of Windsor (*Foedera*, III, ii, 977-80; M. V. Clarke, 'William of Windsor in Ireland,' *Proc. R. Irish Acad.*, xli, C, pp. 113-27); from 1375 onwards the Close Rolls supply the evidence (for references see below, pp. xxvii; see also *Early Statutes of Ireland*, pp. 472 (1377), 478 (1380)).

⁴ It will be seen that in the writs of summons from 1366 to 1370 here printed (part i, nos. 17-20), no reference is made to the representation of the lower clergy, and that, so far as the documents in this volume are concerned, the first reference is in the writ of summons to the Epiphany parliament of 1371 (no. 26). But we cannot deduce that this was the first occasion on which representatives of the lower clergy had been summoned. The fact that a subsidy had been granted by the clergy in a parliament at Dublin in 1361 leaves the possibility at least open

It seems obvious that to be 'great' a council must be called for something more than the transaction of local business, and that consequently those attending the council must in some way be representative of a substantial part of the land. Nor, despite the restricted character of this representation in 1394 and 1395, does there appear to be room for doubt that the tendency in the later fourteenth century was to address to very much the same recipients writs of summons to both great councils and parliaments. Otherwise it would seem impossible to explain either the composition of the councils of 1385, which included 'the commons of the land,' or the practice in the fifteenth century when, in summons and function, parliaments and great councils were closely similar.¹ One important factor in determining the composition of any given council must have been the period of summons. The traditional interval of forty days from the date of the writ to the date of meeting was allowed in the case of parliament.² We can test this by the eleven parliaments between 1366 and 1382 for which we possess the necessary information:³ the minimum period was 42 days in 1369⁴ and the maximum

that the lower clergy had been represented in some fashion on that occasion: the subsidy is described as 'subsidiū decime biennalis taxe papalis iam currentis in Hibernia de beneficiis ecclesiasticis et temporalibus spiritualibus annexis in parlamento apud Dubliniam in anno regni regis xxxvº tento per clerum Hibernie domino regi concessum' (E.101/244/9). The summons to a council at Naas in 1355 of certain of the principal clergy of the diocese of Kildare (no. 14) indicates that the principle of representing clergy other than the prelates was not unknown in Ireland. In the case of the council at Dublin in January, 1370, the intention appears to have been that the bishop and lower clergy should be represented by a single proctor (no. 22), the principle again followed in the case of the Hilary parliament of 1375 (no. 32). On the occasion of the Epiphany parliament of 1371, when the lower clergy might have been separately represented, joint proctors were, in fact, appointed for the archbishop and clergy of Armagh (no. 26B). The lower clergy might, however, be consulted in convocation, as they were in 1370 (no. 25), and this method of seeking their assent goes back at least to 1291 (Appendix A).

¹ We may note here that the council (it is not qualified as 'great,' though it must have been representative of most of Ireland), which met at Castledermot on 3 March 1404, included 'clerus et communes' as well as prelates, magnates and 'proceres.' The writ of summons has not survived, but the inference is that the representatives of the lower clergy and commons were elected (*Graves, King's Council in Ireland*, pp. 269-72).

² The tradition of a forty-day summons for the *commune consilium* goes back to John's Magna Carta, c. 14. Henry III's charters of 1216 and 1217, as well as the version of 1225 which became the standard form, omit this chapter and the related c.12. Nevertheless, these provisions appear to have been regarded as part of the common law (McKechnie, *Magna Carta*, p. 255). Although the so-called Great Charter of Ireland is no more than a clumsy adaptation of the English charter of 1216 and has no claim to be regarded as authentic, there is no doubt that the provisions of Magna Carta, in a general sense, were part of the common law administered in Ireland (R. Dudley Edwards, 'Magna Carta Hiberniae' *Féil-sgríbhinn Eóin Mhic Néill*, pp. 307-318; Richardson, 'Magna Carta Hiberniae', *Irish Historical Studies*, iii, 31-3).

³ Below, part I, nos. 17-20, 26, 27, 32, 41; Lynch, *Legal Institutions*, pp. 321-331; *Cal. Patent and Close Rolls*, pp. 118-9, nos. 121-131.

⁴ Below, part I, no. 20.

61 days in 1375.¹ On the other hand, so far as our information goes, the period of summons for a council in the later fourteenth century was never more than three weeks and might be as little as one week or even less.² Thus in 1359 the writs for the meetings of 1 and 8 April were dated 18 March and those for the meeting of 5 August were dated 28 July: the meeting on 2 January 1370 was summoned by writ dated 29 December:³ in 1372 the meeting of 25 February was summoned on the 15th: in 1374 the meeting of 27 May was summoned on the 12th: in 1382 the meeting of 9 January was summoned on the 2nd: in 1394 the dates of meeting and summons are 30 March and 12 March, and in 1395 19 April and 7 April. It can have been but rarely, therefore, in the fourteenth century that the period of summons afforded opportunity for any formal election of representatives in towns or counties or, indeed, for the delivery of a writ in the more distant parts of the country and for a journey to the place of meeting.⁴ In the fifteenth century the period of summons for both parliaments and great councils appears to have been normally forty days at least. Of eleven great councils between 1433 and 1450, the writs for which have been preserved in Archbishop Swayne's Register⁵, only one was summoned at less notice than this: the exception was the council which met on 11 December 1433, the writ being dated 11 November.⁶

The picture, then, that we must form of a great council is of a gradually evolving institution which probably had no definite constitution in the fourteenth century, when it would seem difficult to say where a line could be drawn between afforced councils that were 'great' and those that could not be so qualified. A number of documents in this volume throw light on the functions of councils of both kinds, although they may not help in indicating where a line should be drawn between them nor in determining what were the essential characteristics which differentiated great councils from parliaments. The enigmatic *Modus Tenendi Parliamentum* which appears to reflect the conditions in Ireland in the late fourteenth century, does not attempt to explain the difference.⁷ Nor does this

¹ Below, part I, no. 32.

² For most of the details which follow, references have been given above.

³ Below, part I, no. 22.

⁴ In 1370, when the period of notice was only four days, archbishop Sweteman received the writ on the day of meeting and compliance was therefore impossible.

⁵ *Register of John Swayne* (ed. D. A. Chart), pp. 144-5, 161-2, 184, 187-91, 193-7.

⁶ It had been preceded by a great council which met on 16 October: in this case the writ, which was dated 6 September, allowed forty clear days. In all other cases the period of summons was longer, amounting on one occasion in 1449 to seventy days.

⁷ All it says is that 'councils' are to be conducted according to the same procedure as parliament, but that acts of legislation are called ordinances and not statutes. This paragraph and those that follow may be an addition of the early fifteenth century. The text can now be conveniently consulted in Miss M. V. Clarke's *Mediaeval Representation and Consensi*: the relevant passage is at p. 390. Whether the Irish *Modus* was composed in the 1370's, as Miss Clarke believed (p. 122), or some twenty years later, as we are inclined to think, is not a material question in the present connexion.

tract even remark that the period of summons to a great council might be less than that to a parliament, which is the one difference in the fourteenth century that seems indisputable.

For our present purpose the precise difference between a parliament and a great council is not so important a matter as the points of resemblance, and it may be useful to collect some references to the transaction of business in great councils which would have been as appropriately transacted in parliaments. We have already seen how a fine might be respited, and the confirmation of a justiciar referred, indifferently to a parliament or great council, and that, in like manner, a justiciar was formally admitted to office in a council :¹ it is consistent with this evidence of the status of a great council that in the fifteenth century fines were inflicted upon absentees,² as they had long been inflicted upon absentees from parliament. What may rightly be regarded as the characteristic functions of parliament in the later middle ages, legislation and taxation,³ fell to be discharged, apparently with equal competence, by great councils. Though it may be that in the fifteenth century the legislation of a parliament was called a 'statute' in contrast to an 'ordinance' of a great council,⁴ it is by no means certain that the difference in name involved any difference in effect.⁵ Very little of the Irish legislation of the fourteenth century

¹ William of Windsor 'moustroit sa commission' at the first parliament he summoned, in July 1369: he had previously held a privy council soon after his arrival at Dublin in June (M. V. Clarke, *William of Windsor in Ireland*, pp. 83-4).

² An extract from the Pipe Roll of 14 Henry VI printed by Sir W. Betham, (*Origin and history of the constitution of England and of the early parliaments of Ireland*, pp. 351-2, 359), shows that the steward of the franchise of Ulster accounted for fines for absences from the councils at Naas on 30 November 1426 and at Dublin on 3 November 1427 and 9 December 1429, as well as the parliament at Dublin on 25 May 1431. There had been a threat of fines in some of the writs of summons to the councils of 1359 and 1372 (Lynch, *Legal Institutions*, pp. 317, 320), and a fine (subsequently remitted) was imposed upon the mayor and bailiffs of Drogheda for their failure to comply with the summons to the great council in 1374 (Memoranda Roll 48-49 Edward III, m. 22; Ferguson Collection, i. 348). The evidence available does not, however, suggest that absence from great councils was systematically punished by fine in the fourteenth century.

³ These were not characteristic functions, certainly of the Irish parliament, in the thirteenth century or in much of the fourteenth.

⁴ This is the doctrine of the *Modus Tenendi Parliamentum*: it appears to owe nothing directly to the usage in England (see Richardson and Sayles, *The Early Statutes*, pp. 33-8). Fifteenth-century commissions empower the king's lieutenant 'ad statuta et ordinaciones in parliamentis et consiliis . . . de assensu procerum, magnatum et aliorum predictorum fieri facienda' (for references, see above, p. xvi, n. 1): but these words do not imply that statutes were made in parliaments and ordinances in councils. In the middle of the century, however, we have 'ordinances and acts' of a great council (*Statute Rolls of the Parliament of Ireland*, Hen. VI, pp. 188, 250, 300), while the phrase for legislation in parliament is 'statutes, ordinances and acts' (*ibid.*, pp. 54, 178, 352).

⁵ The procedure in great councils and parliaments appears to have been identical. From the detailed accusations brought by the treasurer, Giles Thorndon, against the fourth earl of Ormond, it is clear that an identical bill might be introduced into either great council or parliament and that, at any rate in colloquial language, the bill would in either case result in an 'act' or 'statute' (*Proceedings of the Privy Council*, v. 331-4: cf. p. xxii, n. 1, below). It is true that it seems to have been considered desirable to confirm in the next parliament the 'acts and ordinances' of a great council of 1449, but this was apparently quite an exceptional step (*Statute Rolls of the Parliament of Ireland*, Hen. VI, p. 188).

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has come down to us, but the most important, the 'statute' of Kilkenny—in the original termed 'ordinances et articles'—which was enacted in a parliament of 1366, was in large measure the repetition of the ordinances enacted at the great council at Kilkenny in 1351,¹ and there is no suggestion that the earlier legislation was in any way less authoritative or intended to be less permanent than the later. The preparation of representations to the king on the state of the country and the remedies to be applied was a process analogous to legislation and fell, apparently indifferently, to a parliament or great council. Such representations were frequent and a number of examples have survived. These do not always disclose the method of consultation which preceded their preparation,² but representations which are definitely stated to have been drawn up at a general council at Kilkenny in 1360 are included in this volume;³ similar representations from councils of 1385 have been printed by Dr. Berry.⁴ The most striking evidence of the equal competence of parliament and a great council in such matters comes from the year 1368. At a parliament which met at Dublin on 1 May, the prelates, magnates and other lieges, having long debated the political situation, sent representations to the king that owners of Irish land who were absent in England should be required to come to Ireland and take part in its defence. The council in England drafted ordinances to give effect to this proposal and sent them to the council in Ireland, with instructions that a parliament or great council should be convened at which the prelates, magnates and other lieges should be asked whether the draft fully and sufficiently carried out their intention, to point out defects and also to furnish details of the lands in absentee ownership.⁵

Assent to taxation in a non-parliamentary assembly goes back at least to 1346, when a subsidy was granted in the *tractatus* at Kilkenny.⁶ Again at Kilkenny in 24 Edward III, an ecclesiastical tenth and a carucage were granted at an assembly, which is not described as a parliament but is given no specific name.⁷ Further, the primary object of the councils held at Dublin and Waterford in 1359 seems clearly to have been taxation,⁸ and subsidies were granted at the

¹ *Early Statutes of Ireland*, pp. 374–396, 430–468.

² E. g., *Early Statutes of Ireland*, pp. 332–62; J. F. Baldwin, *The King's Council*, pp. 484–5.

³ Part I, no. 16.

⁴ *Early Statutes of Ireland*, pp. 484–6. For representations from a parliament in 1421, see *ibid.*, pp. 562–84, and for others in 1428 and 1435, see Betham, *Early Parliaments of Ireland*, pp. 352–65.

⁵ The representations presented to the king do not seem to have survived. The draft ordinances, as well as the letter to the Irish council, are entered on the English Close Roll (*Foedera*, III, ii, 853–5; *Cal. Close Rolls*, 1364–68, pp. 448, 499–500: the draft ordinances are translated in *Early Statutes of Ireland*, pp. 470–1).

⁶ E. 101/241/10 and 11.

⁷ E. 101/241/20; 242/1 and 7; Exchequer Memoranda Roll 28 Edw. III, Mich., m. 4 (Cal. of Memoranda Rolls, xxvi, 21).

⁸ *Cal. Patent and Close Rolls*, pp. 77, (nos. 29–41), 79, (nos. 111–4, 123).

councils at Dublin in January and April 1370.¹ Thereafter our information, desultory as it is, fails for a long period, but it is plain that in the fifteenth century taxation is far from being solely within the competence of parliament. A subsidy was granted to the justiciar at a council at Castledermot in 1404,² and to the deputy lieutenant at a council at Drogheda in 1412;³ there are printed below documents concerning a subsidy granted at a great council at Dublin in 1421,⁴ while a similar grant was made at a great council at Dublin in 1436.⁵

The Justiciary Rolls of Edward I have made us familiar with the trial of actions in parliament,⁶ and the present collection contains the record of the proceedings in parliament in 1333 when the earl of Desmond was released from prison on mainprise.⁷ Another of the documents we have included is an example, from 1388, of the trial of an action in a great council.⁸

Petitions to the chief governor and the council were not restricted to any particular occasion, although it is plain that it was in parliaments and great councils that many were presented. A number of examples have been included in this volume. It is only towards the end of the fourteenth century that there seems to be a tendency to mark by words in the address that a petition is intended to be considered in parliament:⁹ otherwise there is nothing to distinguish a petition presented in a parliament from one presented in a great council or on any other occasion. That there was a difference in the expedition accorded to petitions on different occasions is probable, although the evidence available at present does not appear to justify any very certain conclusion. In law, charters of pardon could be granted only in parliaments and councils,¹⁰ and petitions for such charters would tend to be restricted accordingly:¹¹ but whether the competence of parliaments and of great councils extended equally to petitions on all subjects is a matter of doubt.

¹ Below, part i, nos. 23, 25.

² Graves, *King's Council in Ireland*, pp. 269-72.

³ 'Calendar of the Register of Archbishop Fleming,' *Proc. R. Irish Acad.*, xxx, C., p. 151, no. 205.

⁴ Part ii, nos. 47-66.

⁵ *Register of John Swayne*, p. 164.

⁶ For some classified references, see Richardson and Sayles, 'The Irish Parliaments of Edward I,' *Proc. R. Irish Acad.*, xxxviii, C, p. 139.

⁷ Part i, no. 12.

⁸ Part i, no. 71.

⁹ The earliest example we have met is printed below (part i, no. 55): this is a petition addressed to the justiciar and peers of parliament in 1378. In January, 1393 a petition is addressed to the justiciar and council 'et as pares a cest present parlement ycy assembleés' (Graves, *King's Council in Ireland*, pp. 124-6), but there is no such addition to other petitions apparently presented on the same occasion, and this mode of address was presumably still exceptional. There was a similar tendency, but no regular usage of the kind, in England at the same period.

¹⁰ *Statutes of the Reaim*, i. 359: ordinance of 1357.

¹¹ This is borne out by the special mention of petitioners for charters of pardon in connexion with the council at Kildare in 1385 (above, p. xiv), and it is suggested, also, by the reproof in the previous December to the archbishop of Dublin (*Cal. Close Rolls*, 1381-5, p. 500).

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It remains to be added that the development of great councils appears to have been accompanied by the organisation of local councils upon a county basis. The king's representative, or commissioners appointed on his behalf, summoned assemblies (*convocaciones*) of clergy and laity to provide for defence or to reform local administration.¹ It was doubtless at such assemblies that the levy of local subsidies was arranged, such as that granted by the commons of Meath in 1421, of which particulars will be found in this volume.² Assemblies of this kind appear to have a long history, although they had perhaps no definite constitution. In 1372 assemblies for the counties of Dublin, Louth, Meath and Kildare were called within a few days of each other;³ these, in turn, link up with the council at Naas in 1355,⁴ and with the meetings which John Wogan held with representatives of counties, franchises and towns to raise contributions to a subsidy in 1300.⁵

II.

SOURCES FOR THE HISTORY OF PARLIAMENTS AND COUNCILS IN THE FOURTEENTH CENTURY

Successive losses from fire and neglect reduced to small dimensions the sources for the history of the Irish parliament in the fourteenth century. The rolls of parliament, to which we have references in 1297 and 1391,⁶ seem to have disappeared at an early date and were apparently unknown to the scholars of the seventeenth century who interested themselves in Irish history. At that time the chancery rolls and plea rolls, which were the chief source of information, were already defective, and they had sustained further losses by the nineteenth century, when the first steps were taken to make them generally accessible. Publication had, however, advanced only a little way before their final destruction in 1922. Copies of some of the more

¹ For Meath, in 1402, 1403 and 1412, see *Cal. of Patent and Close Rolls*, pp. 166, no. 252 (Patent, 3 Hen. IV.); no. 15 (Close, 4 Hen. IV.), 201, no. 124; for Louth in 1403 and 1423, *ibid.*, pp. 178, no. 78, 230, no. 120; for Dublin in 1403, *ibid.*, p. 178, no. 85. At the other end of the fifteenth century there is the meeting in 1500, presided over by the deputy lieutenant, for the reformation of the counties of Kilkenny and Tipperary. The 'statutes and acts' of this assembly, in so far as they affected the town of Kilkenny, are in *Liber Primus Kilkenniensis*, pp. 156-8: this term, for what are elsewhere described as 'articles,' illustrates the colloquial use of the word 'statute' (cf. *ibid.*, p. 141).

² Part II, nos. 67-68. For other subsidies in Meath in 1400, 1402 and 1423, see *Cal. Patent and Close Rolls*, pp. 158, nos. 114-6, 166, no. 14, 230, nos. 112-5, 118, 121-2, and for similar subsidies in Louth in 1400, 1402 and 1423, *ibid.*, pp. 158, no. 119, 166, no. 253, 230, nos. 120-2, and in Wexford in 1412, *ibid.*, p. 201, no. 113. A parallel instance is the agreement of Kildare in 1402 to provide a military force (*ibid.*, p. 166, nos. 242-3).

³ *Cal. Patent and Close Rolls*, p. 84, nos. 136-141.

⁴ Above, p. xii.

⁵ *Early Statutes of Ireland*, pp. 232-6.

⁶ Appendix B. and part I, no. 72.

important entries on these rolls and on the memoranda rolls of the exchequer are available in various collections dating from the seventeenth century onwards. These transcripts are not always accurate and sometimes are very defective. In the case of the chancery rolls, the calendar published by the Record Commission in 1828 affords some help in reconstructing the language of the original. Where there is no secondary text available, the transcriber's own blunders often indicate what was contained in the document before him: but no reliance can be put on the transcripts for the spelling of place and personal names or for obscure technical terms, and these it is more difficult to correct.

The only contemporary documents in Ireland upon which we have been able to draw for the first part of this volume are a Memoranda Roll, which happily survived in 1922, and Archbishop Sweteman's Register preserved in the Armagh Public Library.¹ For the text of documents no longer in existence we have used the transcripts made for the Record Commission and the Ferguson Collection, which remain in the Public Record Office in Dublin, the Harris Collectanea in the National Library, and one volume of the Clarendon Manuscripts in the British Museum. Fortunately a good many mediaeval Irish records remain for our period in the Public Record Office in London. These are, for the most part, documents which were sent from the Irish exchequer as vouchers to accounts subject to audit in the English exchequer. This, or an analogous purpose, explains the origin of the so-called Extract Roll no. 14, from which we have taken a number of items: although now classified among the English chancery enrolments, it is undoubtedly a series of transcripts made in the Irish exchequer early in the reign of Edward III. But most of these vouchers (to which receipts by the beneficiaries are frequently attached) are actual writs which were entered on the Irish Close Rolls and also on those membranes of Irish Memoranda Rolls which contained the 'Brevia de Anglia et cancellaria Hibernie liberata ad scaccarium Dublinie'; and, in passing, we may remark that, for some regnal years, these vouchers supply the material for reconstructing in large part Close Rolls and certain portions of the Memoranda Rolls which were destroyed in 1922 or at some earlier period. In the process of auditing, entries required to be made on the rolls of the exchequer at Westminster, and we have therefore been able to draw a certain amount of material from the Lord Treasurer's and King's Remembrancer's Memoranda Rolls and the Foreign Accounts. For our present purpose, the records of other courts are not so fruitful, but some of the documents here included have come from the ancient records of the chancery and one from a roll of the king's bench.

The task of selection has unhappily not been difficult. We might

¹ The transcript made by Bishop Reeves, also in the Library, has been of assistance in restoring portions effaced or mutilated. We should also acknowledge the help we have received from Dr. H. Lawlor's calendar of the register in *Proc. R. Irish Acad.*, xxix, Section C, no. 8.

have added a few more examples of writs founded upon petitions to parliament or a few more illustrations of fines for non-attendance at parliament: but, for the most part, such further documents as are known to us are preserved in the form of notes or extracts only. The present collection is intended to supplement the sources already published, and only very exceptionally, where we have been able to supply a better text and where the book is not easily accessible to the reader outside a great library, have we included a document already in print. Published sources are, however, few for the fourteenth century. The writs of summons enrolled on the Irish Close Rolls were printed by William Lynch in *A view of the Legal Institutions, honorary Hereditary Offices and Feudal Baronies established in Ireland during the reign of Henry II* (1830) and his *Case illustrative of the law and usages of the prescriptive Baronies of Ireland* (1835). A few legislative acts and representations to the king are included in the volume of *Early Statutes of Ireland* (1907) edited by Dr. H. F. Berry. The parliaments and councils held during the administration of William of Windsor, 1369-1372 and 1374-1376, receive a good deal of attention in an extensive collection of documents among the Parliament and Council Proceedings (Chancery) in the Public Record Office, London, which have gradually been published over a period of 160 years: firstly, a selection¹ by Sir Joseph Ayloffe, as an appendix to the *Calendars of the Ancient Charters . . . in the Tower of London* (1772), reprinted by Thomas Leland in his *History of Ireland*; secondly, a fresh selection in the Record Commission's edition of Rymer's *Foedera* (1830)²; and most of the remaining documents by Miss M. V. Clarke in the *Proceedings of the Royal Irish Academy* (1932).³ This collection, we may remark, is here supplemented by a number of documents which present the facts in a different light.⁴

Such further comments as might seem to be needed on the subject matter of the documents included in the first part of this volume have already been made in the preceding section of this Introduction, while the subject-index will serve to direct attention to other points of interest.

III.

DOCUMENTS CONCERNING THE ADMINISTRATION OF THE EARL OF ORMOND, 1420-21

The second part of this volume consists of certain documents (E.101/247/16) relating to the administration of James Butler, fourth

¹ Consisting of those documents classified as IV.A. by Miss Clarke and summarised at pp. 123-27 of her paper mentioned below. She overlooked the fact that they had previously been several times published.

² III, ii, 977-980.

³ Vol. XLI, Section C, no. 2; reprinted in her *Fourteenth Century Studies*, pp. 146-241.

⁴ The documents relating to William of Windsor's administration are nos. 20-29

earl of Ormond, as the King's Lieutenant in Ireland. Their presence among the Exchequer Accounts in the Public Record Office, London, is explained by a note endorsed on one of the rolls :¹ ' Pro exoneracione Hugonis Bauent, nuper thesaurarii Hibernie regis Henrici sexti.' This endorsement is a little misleading, for, although Hugh Bavent was treasurer under Henry VI, from 20 August 1424² to 21 December 1426,³ he had an earlier period of office from 10 June 1420 to 22 December 1421, and it was doubtless in connexion with his account for this period that the documents were required when it was being audited in the English exchequer.⁴

The documents are not originals, but are rather unskilful copies made, it would seem, from files kept by a clerk attendant upon the Lieutenant. They are chiefly concerned with three subsidies granted in 1420 and 1421. A privy-seal warrant to the chancellor for the issue of a commission to purveyors in the county of Wexford, has, however, strayed among the indentures relating to the third subsidy,⁵ and a fourth collection is of a miscellaneous character, relating to a subsidy granted by the commons of Meath and to a number of grants by the crown. Although, therefore, there is some matter outside the main subject of this volume, for the sake of completeness, as well as for the interest of the documents themselves, it has been thought best to print the whole. Each of the four collections is written on a small roll composed of two membranes, and the four rolls are sewn together at the head. The modern numbering, K.1, K.2, K.3, K.4, has inverted the true order of the rolls. K.4 is the first of the series and K.1 the last.

K.4 and K.3 are concerned with two subsidies granted to Ormond at a parliament which met at Dublin in 1420 and 1421. The last entry in Marlborough's Annals⁶ is largely taken up by an account of this parliament, which may be thus summarised. Ormond (who had assumed office on 10 April 1420)⁷ held a council on St. George's Day (23 April) at which it was decided to summon a parliament to meet on 8 June⁸. The first session lasted for sixteen days and parliament was then prorogued until 2 December : at this session a subsidy of 700 marks was granted. At the second session, which lasted thirteen days, a second subsidy of 300 marks was granted. Parliament was again prorogued to 7 April 1421, when there was a third session lasting

and 32-46 ; two are of especial importance, nos. 28 and 46.

¹ Below, p. 148.

² His commission is dated 4 July (*Cal. Patent Rolls*, 1422-1429, p. 205), but he assumed duty on the day stated, as appears from his account for the period 20 August 1424 to 2 September 1426 (E. 101/247/19).

³ *Cal. Patent and Close Rolls*, p. 243, no. 26.

⁴ The original account has not survived : it is, however, enrolled among the Foreign Accounts (E. 364/57 (Foreign Roll, 1 Hen. VI.) G.).

⁵ No. 48. Numbered references in this and the following sections of the Introduction relate to documents in part II of this volume.

⁶ Camden, *Britannia* (1607), pp. 835-6.

⁷ H. Wood, 'The office of Chief Governor of Ireland,' *Proceedings Royal Irish Academy*, xxxvi, C, p. 234. ⁸ *Recte* 7 June : see below, pp. 131-65.

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eighteen days. At the third session it was decided to send the archbishop of Armagh and Sir Christopher Preston as messengers to the king 'pro remedio terrae.' The articles presented to the king by these representatives have been preserved,¹ while the two rolls K.4 and K.3 furnish much information regarding the subsidies, and incidentally throw light on the composition of parliament at this period, giving as well the names of certain of the proctors of the clergy and of the elected knights and burgesses who attended this particular parliament. It would seem that K.4 was intended to contain copies of all the indentures entered into by representatives of the clergy and commons relating to the subsidy of 700 marks, and K.3 copies of those relating to the subsidy of 300 marks. Since, however, the representatives of the county of Cork gave one indenture to cover contributions to both subsidies, no indenture on behalf of this county is to be found on K.4, but this indenture, together with subsidiary indentures on behalf of the city for its contributions to both subsidies, is entered on K.3. The total of the individual contributions recorded falls, however, considerably short of the amount of the subsidies, and, as we suggest later, it seems probable that absences from parliament and the difficulty of exacting some contributions may account for part of the difference, and that it is not to be entirely explained by the failure of the clerk responsible to enter all the indentures on the rolls, though some were undoubtedly omitted.

K.2 contains copies of indentures relating to a subsidy of 400 marks granted to Ormond at a great council which met at Dublin on 10 October, 1421. As in the case of K.4 and K.3, the total of the individual contributions falls short of the amount of the subsidy, but there are stronger reasons in this case for believing that a number of indentures were omitted by the copyist. There is no indenture for the county of Limerick, although there is one for the town and another for the diocese. The counties of Cork and Waterford and the corresponding dioceses of Cork and Cloyne and Waterford and Lismore are not included, although representatives from all these appeared in the preceding parliament. No county, town or diocese, it may be remarked, is found on K.2 which does not appear on the other rolls.

The contents of K.1 relate to two subjects. The first two entries, a privy-seal warrant and the resulting commission to collectors, arise out of the grant by the commons of Meath of a subsidy of ten shillings on each ploughland, in aid of the king's wars. The grant was made at a meeting at Rathgirdle on 10 July 1421. The other entries are privy-seal warrants for grants of lands and wardships in the king's hands. Five of these warrants, bearing dates between 1 May and 23 June 1420, are in French, and are accompanied by the petitions of the grantees. One, without the petition, is in Latin, and is dated 11 September 1421. All three grantees appear to have been servants of the crown : James Cornewalshe was chief baron of the exchequer,

¹ *Early Statutes of Ireland*, pp. 562-584, from Patent Roll 9 Hen. V.

and the frequent mention of John Chever and Robert Harbridge in the rolls of the chancery indicate that they held public office.

For convenience of reference we have numbered the items continuously throughout the four rolls : these numbers we have placed in the margin within square brackets.

It should be added that portions of K.2 and K.1 were selected by Sir John Gilbert for reproduction in the third volume of the *National Manuscripts of Ireland*. Plate 34 includes the heading of K.2 and Nos. 47-51; and plate 35, the heading of K.1, nos. 67-68, and those parts of no. 71 and no. 79 which are written on schedules.

IV.

*REPRESENTATION AT THE PARLIAMENT OF 1420
AND THE GREAT COUNCIL OF 1421*

Taking the three rolls K.4, K.3 and K.2 together, it would appear that the following were represented in the parliament and great council.

Counties and franchises : Carlow, Cork, Dublin, Kildare, Kilkenny, Limerick, Louth, Meath, Tipperary, Waterford, Wexford.

Towns : Cork, Drogheda, Dublin, Kilkenny, Kinsale, Limerick, New Ross, Waterford, Wexford, Youghal.

Clergy : Armagh *inter Anglicos*, Cashel (Tipperary), Cloyne, Cork, Dublin (diocese), Dublin (Holy Trinity and St. Patrick), Ferns, Kildare, Leighlin, Limerick, Lismore, Meath, Ossory, Waterford. If we compare the counties and franchises returning representatives with those to which writs of summons were sent under Edward III and Richard II, we miss Ulster and Kerry¹. It is to be noted that the process by which franchises were being assimilated to counties, which is manifestly at work in the fourteenth century, has continued : Kilkenny and Tipperary,² which were regarded as franchises from 1375 to 1394, and Wexford, which was sometimes treated as a franchise and sometimes as a county,³ are all three now treated as counties. Meath itself, outside the cross-lands, is called 'comitatus siue libertas.'⁴

¹ The entries of writs of summons on the Close Rolls furnish information for the parliaments of 1375, 1378, 1380 and 1382. For 1394, there are two relevant entries : the writs proroguing the parliament summoned for 19 February—Ulster is not included ; an imperfect entry of writs of summons from the Close Roll of 18 Richard II, which must relate to the parliament which met on 1 December—the names of the counties could not be read, but there was a full list of franchises, including Ulster. A writ was addressed to the sheriff of Clare in 1378, but this was quite exceptional. In the same year Drogheda was included among the counties as well as among the towns, but this was presumably an error of the enrolling clerk, though Drogheda became a county in 1412. All the entries are printed by W. Lynch, *Legal Institutions*, pp. 321-334, except that relating to 1380, for which see *Cal. Patent and Close Rolls*, pp. 118-9, nos. 121-131.

² It will be seen that in one indenture (no. 51) the county of Tipperary is stated to include 'tam crocea quam libertas.'

³ A county in 1378, 1380 and 1382 : a franchise in 1375 and 1394.

⁴ Nos. 54, 55, 63, 66.

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So far as the clergy are concerned, it is difficult to know whether there was any standard list of bishops to whom it was customary to issue writs of summons. The entries on the Close Rolls show that there was very considerable variation between the years 1375, 1378, 1380 and 1382.⁵ It is clear that there was an attempt early in the reign of Richard II to extend the representation of the clergy to distant sees in the provinces of Armagh and Tuam, an attempt which was apparently abandoned in 1382, although fresh efforts were made under Henry VI to enforce attendance from at least some of the outlying dioceses.⁶ If we regard the year 1382 as a standard, we find that the dioceses unrepresented in 1420 are Ardfert, Emly, Killaloe and Ross in the province of Cashel, Connor and Down in the province of Armagh, and Tuam and Elphin in the province of Tuam.

No certain conclusion can, however, be drawn regarding the counties, towns and dioceses which are not represented by indentures. There exist fragmentary records of fines inflicted between 1426 and 1450 for absence from great councils and parliaments or for irregular returns to writs of summons,⁷ and these fines indicate that, during

¹ There is no indenture for Youghal, but the indenture for the county of Cork (no. 45) implies that the three towns of Cork, Kinsale and Youghal were separately represented. There are two indentures for Cork (nos. 39, 46), but only one for Kinsale (no. 16).

² A table giving in summary form the towns to which writs were addressed in 1359, 1375, 1378, 1380, 1382 and 1394 will be found facing p. 31 of W. Lynch's *Law of election in the ancient cities and towns of Ireland*. The first list is that of towns summoned to send representatives to the councils of 1 and 8 April 1359; Clonmel is therefore included, although this town seems not to have been represented in any parliament in the fourteenth century. The last list is dated 15 Richard II, but this must be a mistake for 18 Richard II, since no Close Roll of the former year survived in recent times, while Lynch, as indicated above, was able to print a portion of an entry from the Close Roll of the latter year, which is clearly that from which he drew his information (*Legal Institutions*, p. 333 : cf. J. Hardiman, *History of Galway* (1926), p. 237).

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⁶ Below, p. xxix.

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CORRIGENDUM

P. xxix, l. 19: *after return insert or*

¹ Parliament of April 1450.

² Parliaments of 1431 and 1450.

³ Great council of 1429; parliaments of 1431 and 1450.

⁴ Great councils of November 1427 and December 1429.

⁵ Great council of 1427; parliament of 1431.

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The indentures of 1420 and 1421 do not consistently mention the names of the representatives of the counties and towns or the proctors of the clergy who gave their assent on behalf of their constituents, but, defective as it is, the information is of value in view of the infrequency with which such particulars are preserved elsewhere. It may be convenient to bring together here all the names furnished.

¹ Great council of December 1429.

² Parliament of April 1450.

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COUNTY REPRESENTATIVES

	<i>Parliament</i>	<i>Great Council</i>
Carlow	Thomas Burton Stephen Casse	— —
Cork	John Mithe	—
Dublin	Thomas Halle Stephen Houthe	John Walshe of 'Surgotestoun'
Kildare	Richard Tyrelle Walran Eustace	John Wodloke —
Kilkenny	Richard Barby	—
Limerick	David Lowys William Love	Robert Folyng Walter fitz William
Louth	Bartholomew Verdon Richard Bagot	Richard Dromgold Thomas Pembroke
Meath :		
Franchise	John Bellew	Thomas Bacon
Cross	Robert Tuyt	Richard Lynham

TOWN REPRESENTATIVES

	<i>Parliament</i>	<i>Great Council</i>
Cork	Geoffrey Galvy	—
Drogheda	John Mithe Robert Sexton	Richard White Richard Bagot
Dublin	John Heyne Thomas Shortals	—
Kilkenny	Ralph Pembroke	John Stone Robert son of Robert Folyng
Kinsale	John Tobyn Philip Russelle	—
Limerick	John Spafford Patrick Lang	Thomas Comyn William Harold
Wexford	John Euer William Hay	—

CLERICAL PROCTORS

	<i>Parliament</i>	<i>Great Council</i>
Armagh ¹	Nicholas Alexander rector of Clonmore and canon of Armagh.	Patrick O'Coynge, vicar of Kildemock

¹ It was the practice to send to parliaments and great councils one proctor to represent the clergy *inter Anglicos* (*Register of John Swayne*, pp. 53, 144, *et passim*).

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Leighlin	John Thundre, chaplain	
	William White, clerk	—
Limerick	Adam Taillour, rector of Ballingaddy	Adam Taillour
	Walter Hert, rector of Dromin	William Archedeken, rector of Croom
Meath	Thomas Scorlag, prior of St. Peter's Newtown near Trim	Philip Blake, vicar of Stamullen
	John Randolph, rector of Galtrim	John Novane, vicar of Ratoath

It will be remarked that John Mithe appears to have represented both the county and the city of Cork in the parliament, that Richard Bagot who represented Louth in the parliament appears to have represented Drogheda in the great council, and that the county of Kilkenny was represented in the great council by Robert Folyng, while his son represented the town. Identity of names is possible, but hardly in all three cases without some attempt at distinguishing between the bearers.

V.

**THE ASSESSMENT OF THE SUBSIDIES OF 1420
AND 1421**

Any attempt at discussing the principles and methods of taxation, for which these rolls supply valuable material, would be inappropriate here, and the documents must be left to tell their own story. But certain points cannot be passed over, since they have an important bearing upon the question whether the rolls contain copies of all the indentures given on the occasion of the parliament and great council and how far we are justified in assuming that there were contributions not recorded. The contributions recorded have been set out in the accompanying table, grouped according to the county quotas, of which, as will be seen, each contribution forms a part.¹

¹ A summary of the figures, with some errors and omissions, but evidently derived from the same rolls, is to be found among the Carew Manuscripts. It has been printed in the *Calendar, Book of Howth etc.*, pp. 337-9 : the figures relating to the third subsidy had previously been printed by Cox, *Hibernia Anglicana*, p. 152.

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CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE THREE SUBSIDIES

Reduced to marks and arranged according to the amount of the county quota.

		First Subsidy	Second Subsidy	Third Subsidy
MEATH				
Commons of Franchise	..	162m.	63m.	83m.
Commons of Crosslands	..	80m.	30m.	40m. 1
Clergy	..	242m.	93m.	123m.
DUBLIN				
Commons of County	..	65m. 3s. 4d.	32m. 3s. 4d.	40m. 10s.
Commons of City	..	10m. 10s.	5m. 3s. 4d.	6m. 10s.
Chapter	..	19m.	9m. 5s.	11m. 11s. 8d.
Clergy of Diocese ⁽¹⁾	..	19m.	9m. 5s.	11m. 11s. 8d.
KILDARE				
Commons of County	..	33m.	25m.	34m. 10s. 5d.
Clergy	..	10m.	4m. 6s. 8d.	6m. 2s. 10d.
LOUTH				
Commons	..	..	63m.	29m. 6s. 8d.
DROGHEDA				
Commons	..	..	41m.	19m.
ARMAGH				
Clergy <i>inter Anglicos</i>	..	..	6m. 11s. 1d.	3m. 2s. 2½d.
WEXFORD				
Commons of County	..	13m. 8s. 11d.	61m. 6s. 8d.	6m. 4s. 6d.
Commons of Town of Wexford	..	28m. 10s. 8d.	28m. 6s. 8½d.	28m. 8s. 9d.
Commons of New Ross	..			
FERNS				
Clergy	..	..	1m. 5s. 8d.	1m. 3s. 4d.
KILKENNY				
Commons of County	26m. 9s. 4d.	19m. 12s. 4d.
Commons of Town	13m. 6s. 8d.	18m. 5s. 11d.

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OSSORY	Clergy	<u>3m. 4s.</u>	30m.	<u>1m. 6s. 8d.</u>	15m.	<u>2m. 0s. 11d.</u>	20m. 6s. 10d.
TIPPERARY	Commons of County	<u>21m. 8s.</u>		<u>9m. 4s. 8<i>d.</i></u>		<u>12m. 11s. 4<i>d.</i></u>	
CASHEL	Clergy	<u>2m. 5s. 4<i>d.</i></u>	24m.	<u>1m. 2<i>s.</i></u>	10m. 6s. 8 <i>d.</i>	<u>1m. 6s. $\frac{1}{2}$<i>d.</i></u>	14m. 4s. $\frac{1}{2}$ <i>d.</i>
CORK	Commons of County	<u>2m. 5s.</u>	<u>21m. 6s. 8<i>d.</i></u>	<u>1m. 4s. 1<i>d.</i></u>	<u>10m. 6s. 8<i>d.</i></u>		
	Commons of City	<u>2m. 10s.</u>					
	Commons of Kinsale						
	Commons of Youghal						
CORK AND CLOYNE	Clergy	<u>2m. 2s.</u>		<u>23m. 8s. 8<i>d.</i></u>			
LIMERICK	Commons of County	<u>14m. 6s. 10<i>d.</i></u>		<u>2m. 6s. 8<i>d.</i></u>		<u>3m. 3s.</u>	
	Commons of City	<u>5m. 5s.</u>				<u>1m. 4s. 9<i>\frac{1}{2}d.</i></u>	
	Clergy	<u>1m. 8s. 2<i>d.</i></u>		<u>21m. 6s. 8<i>d.</i></u>			
WATERFORD	Commons of County						
	Commons of City						
	Clergy						
WATERFORD AND LISMORE	Clergy			<u>21m. 6s. 8<i>d.</i></u>	<u>11m. 3s. 4<i>d.</i></u>		
CARLOW	Commons of County						
LEIGHLIN	Clergy			<u>6m. 6s. 8<i>d.</i></u>	<u>3m.</u>	<u>4m. 1s. 4<i>d.</i></u>	

¹ The commons of the crosslands appear to have been assessed with the clergy : see no 55.

² These figures are taken from no. 47 : but either the items or the total must be incorrect. It would seem clear, however, that the contributions of the commons and clergy should be in the ratio of 9 : 1.

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Meath and Dublin have been placed at the head of the table because their quotas were the largest and because our problems are best approached by considering the protest made in identical terms by representatives of these counties, clerical and lay, at the great council.¹ This protest states that the ancient custom is that, of any subsidies and tallages granted in parliaments and great councils for the whole of Ireland, half is borne by the clergy and commons of the cross and the commons of the county or liberty of Meath and by the chapter, clergy and commons of the cross and commons of the county and city of Dublin : of this half, two-thirds are borne by Meath and one-third by Dublin. This protest would have been meaningless had not the representatives of Meath and Dublin believed that they were contributing more than their recognised shares. The totals of the contributions of the two counties to the three subsidies, expressed in marks, are :—

	First Subsidy of 700 m.	Second Subsidy of 300 m.	Third Subsidy of 400 m.	Total 1400 m.
Meath ..	242 m.	93 m.	123m.	458 m.
Dublin ..	114 m.	57 m. less 10s.	72m. less 10s.	241½ m.
TOTAL..	356 m.	150 m. less 10s.	195 m. less 10s.	699½ m.

The aggregate of the contributions by Meath and Dublin to the sum of the three subsidies was then only 6s. 8d., less than half, and, though the proportions contributed by each county vary, the total contributions to each subsidy also approximate closely to a half. Apparently adjustments were made so as to set off an excess or under-assessment in a previous year, and the ultimate result gets as near the required proportions (Meath 466½ marks; Dublin, 233½ marks) as mediaeval arithmetic in inexpert hands was likely to achieve. The conclusion, therefore, seems necessary that some parts of the country, which were customarily called upon to contribute to subsidies, had not in fact agreed to contribute to these subsidies, and that, upon the basis of the revenue likely to be realised, Meath and Dublin were overcharged.

If the indentures on the three rolls were complete and no contributions beyond those stated there were obtained, then the financial result would be as follows :

Subsidy	Receipts	Deficiency
700 m.	639 m. 8s. 8d.	60m. 4s. 8d.
300 m.	274 m. 3s. 4½d.	25m. 9s. 11½d.
400 m.	337 m. 6s. 5d.	62m. 6s. 11d.
Total	1400 m.	148 m. 8s. 2½d.

¹ Nos. 54, 55, 63, 66. There is no indication of the reason why neither the commons of the franchise of Meath nor the citizens of Dublin made the same protest (nos. 53, 64), although its terms cover them.

It seems extremely likely that, while all the indentures may not have been entered, particularly in regard to the second and third subsidies, there was a substantial deficiency on the whole which gave point to the protest by Meath and Dublin.

That some indentures are missing is, as we have already indicated, a conclusion based upon more than conjecture. The figures in the table illustrate the particularism of the counties of Ireland at this period. The clergy in parliament or great council do not grant a subsidy separately from the laity and then subdivide it diocese by diocese. The unit is the county and the quota assigned is repartitioned among its several communities.¹ Between these communities there seems generally to be a recognised basis of division. Thus in Dublin the clergy bear one third and the laity two thirds : the clerical share is divided in turn equally between the 'chapter'² and the other clergy of the diocese ; the share of the laity is divided between the commons of the county, who bear six-sevenths, and the citizens of Dublin, who bear one-seventh. The figures for Meath cannot be made to produce so neat a result, partly because the commons of the crosslands are grouped once with the clergy and twice with the commons of the county.³

There is striking evidence elsewhere, however, of the careful adjustment of contributions between commons of counties, towns and clergy, although a casual inspection of the indentures might not suggest this. Thus the contributions of Louth, Drogheda and the clergy of Armagh are inter-related as the table shows. When the commons of Louth contribute 41 marks, Drogheda and the clergy between them contribute 20½ marks : when Louth contributes 19 marks, the others contribute 9½ marks plus an odd halfpenny. Although the figures for the third subsidy are not in so exact a proportion, they are near enough to support the deduction that Drogheda and the clergy of Armagh between them were supposed to find one half as much as the commons of Louth, and the clergy twice as much as Drogheda. The

¹ There are indications as early as 1375 that this practice was already known. The subsidy granted in the Trinity parliament of 1375 was apparently assessed by counties, cities and dioceses, but in all probability county quotas were fixed before the contributions were decided, though the ratios are not those of 1420. The clue is furnished by letters patent of 1 September following, issued at the instance of the abbot of Monaster Nenagh, declaring that the abbey, with its gavellers and betaghs, was to be taxed for subsidies with the clergy, unless the other clergy of the diocese of Limerick contributed with the laity (*Cal. Patent and Close Rolls*, pp. 94; no. 170, 98, nos. 262-9). It is noteworthy, however, that William of Windsor stated that in 1371 the contribution of each diocese, county, city and town was assessed by the advice of the prelates and magnates (below, part I, no. 28 (pp. 44-5)).

² The 'chapter' in this sense means the prior and convent of Holy Trinity together with the dean and chapter of St. Patrick's.

³ The position of the commons of the crosslands was anomalous. In Dublin they joined in the protest of the clergy and were presumably taxed with them (see no. 55). The 'portion' of the crosslands of Dublin is noted after the indenture by the 'chapter' (nos. 4, 41, 66) : this is the sum of the contributions by the chapter and the clergy.

ratio of 6 : 2 : 1 presented a difficult problem for mediaeval arithmetic in unskilled hands, and some errors are to be expected, but these are comparatively trivial and it will be seen that there is an explanation of the raggedness of the figures for the third subsidy. Not all of the figures in other indentures will work out with precision, nor is their lack of symmetry always due to bad arithmetic. For example, the recognised ratio between the contributions of the commons of Tipperary and the clergy of Cashel would seem to be 9 : 1, which is exactly satisfied by the contributions to the first subsidy. This ratio, strictly applied, would have meant contributions of £6 6s. by the commons and of 14s. by the clergy to the second subsidy : but 1s. 4d. is, for some unascertainable reason, transferred from the one to the other. In the case of the third subsidy, the quota from the county was apparently assessed originally at £9 10s., which, by applying the ratio of 9 : 1, would have meant a contribution of £8 11s. from the commons and 19s. from the clergy. It would seem, however, that, after the division of 400 marks between the counties had first been made, the quotas were readjusted by adding or subtracting a trifle, except in the case of Meath and Dublin.¹ The quota from Tipperary was thus raised by 8½d., which was divided between commons and clergy. The odd figures of the contributions of Louth, Drogheda and Armagh to the third subsidy seem best explained by a slight reduction.² Certainly in the case of Wexford there appears to have been on this occasion a reduction of the quota by 1s., to the benefit of the commons.³

Whatever may be the minor perplexities, the figures seem to show conclusively that the county was treated as a unit for the purpose of assessing these subsidies,⁴ and that the clergy and towns undertook to contribute to the county quota upon a recognised proportionate basis, determined we know not how. Seemingly this basis was not

¹ Certainly in the case of Dublin there was no readjustments, for the complicated ratio of 24 : 4 : 7 : 7 works out exactly for the quotas to all three subsidies. It is just possible that there was a reduction in the case of Meath, which was slightly undercharged, but, on the other hand, the quota is in exact marks without odd shillings and pence.

² The actual contributions might represent a quota of 38½ marks (25m. 8s. 11d. from Louth and 12m. 11s. 1d. from Drogheda and Armagh) increased by 4s. 2d. but more probably a quota of 39 marks (which would be very easily divided) reduced by 2s. 6d.

³ The ratio between the contributions of the commons of Wexford and the clergy of Ferns was plainly 9 : 1. The quota of 32 marks for the first subsidy was divided into £19 4s. and £2 2s. 8d.; that of £9 10s. for the second subsidy into £8 11s. and 19s.: the figures for the third subsidy are corrupt, but the contributions of the commons seem to be between 17m. 12s. 4d. and 18m. 5s. 8d., while that of the clergy is 2m. Not all of the cases lend themselves to easy explanation, e.g., Kildare, where the recognised ratio between the contributions of commons and clergy seems to have been the rather odd one of 50 : 9, and Kilkenny, where the ratio seems to have been 9 : 1.

⁴ The Dublin clergy were careful to secure that their lands in Kildare, as well as in Co. Dublin, were assessed to their own contribution (nos. 9, 33, 55): but this does not affect the principle.

very ancient in 1420.¹ On the other hand, it is a little difficult to believe that the contributions of the several communities within a county were fixed *ad hoc* whenever a subsidy was granted. Unless the circumstances of the contributors had sensibly altered, presumably the ratio of contribution would not alter at short intervals. However it was fixed and for however long it held good, the basis for dividing the quota, though applied broadly, was, as we have seen, subject to minor readjustments between the communities within the county, presumably as the result of negotiations between them at the parliament or great council.

Both the figures themselves and the language of many of the indentures indicate that the communities within the county were not independently assessed by some superior authority. Indentures might be given for the quota on behalf of the county as a whole or separate indentures might be given by the commons of the county and by the contributing communities for their respective shares. Where an indenture covered more than one contribution, it seems to have been common, though not perhaps essential, for subsidiary indentures to be given by the smaller contributories. It is not possible to see any system behind the varieties of practice, which do not appear to indicate any difference in the method of assessment. For example, the separate indentures given by the commons and clergy of Meath in respect of the first and third subsidies make no mention the one of the other:² but the indenture given by the commons in respect of the second subsidy does mention the contribution of the clergy, and there is also an indenture by the clergy themselves.³ The indentures given by the commons of the county of Dublin in respect of the first and second subsidies mention and include the contribution by the city:⁴ an indenture on behalf of the city will be found in respect of its contribution to the first subsidy⁵ but not one in respect of the second. The indenture given by the commons of the county in respect of the third subsidy mentions only their net contributions and does not refer to the city, for which there is a separate indenture.⁶ Again, the commons of Tipperary, together with the chapter and clergy of that county—the name of the diocese is not mentioned—give indentures in respect of their contributions to the first and

¹ The proportions in which the county quotas are divided in 1375 (see *Cal. Patent and Close Rolls*, p. 98, nos. 262-9) are very different from those of 1420. The subsidy of 400*m.* granted in the former year was levied only in Munster, Kilkenny and Wexford, but this limitation would not affect the divisions within the contributing counties. Some examples, for comparison with those just given in respect of 1420-21, are:—Wexford county 40*m.*, Ferns clergy 9*m.*; Kilkenny county 45*m.*, Ossory clergy 15*m.*; Tipperary county 45*m.*, Cashel clergy 7½*m.* In general the clergy were relatively much more heavily taxed in 1375 than 45 years later. Incidentally it may be noted that Kerry county contributed 30*m.* and the Ardfert clergy 15*m.*

² Nos. 10, 12, 53, 54.

³ Nos. 34, 43.

⁴ Nos. 15, 37.

⁵ No. 2.

⁶ Nos. 63, 64.

second subsidies, while in the case of the third subsidy separate indentures are given by the commons of the county and by the dean of Cashel with the chapter and clergy.¹ In respect of all three subsidies the clergy of Leighlin and the commons of Carlow give joint indemnities,² as do the commons of the county and town of Kilkenny.³ It is possible that no subsidiary indentures were given in any of the cases where an undertaking was given jointly which seemingly bound two communities, but nevertheless it seems likely that the several communities were in all cases individually assessed. In the case of Kilkenny, where the wording of the indentures might seem to imply that the town was assessed in common with the county, there is reason to believe that this did not, in fact, happen. In 1428, when a subsidy was granted to Sir John Sutton similar to those granted to the earl of Ormond in 1420 and 1421, the contribution of the commons of the town was fixed at 24s. : this sum was not specially assessed or collected by those concerned with the county's contribution, but was met, among other payments due from the town, by a *tollagium* agreed at a town-meeting.⁴ In other words, the town's contribution was regarded as a corporate liability due directly to the King's Lieutenant, and there is no ground for supposing that any different principle was followed seven or eight years previously, even though the contribution of the town to the subsidies of 1420 and 1421 is not stated in the indentures.

In the light of the conclusions to be drawn from those cases where all the indentures are preserved, it seems possible to infer with safety that a number of indentures were accidentally omitted from K.3 and K.2. This is most clearly demonstrated in the case of Limerick. The contributions of the commons of the county, the commons of the city and the clergy to the first subsidy are in the ratio of 27:10:3. These apparently complicated proportions were doubtless arrived at by first attributing a quarter of the county quota to the city and then charging the clergy with one tenth of the balance. For the second subsidy there is an indenture from the city,⁵ but none from the county or clergy. If the ratio applied to the contributions to the first subsidy held good, the city's contribution of 2½ marks would represent a county quota of 10 marks, which, as the table shows, would be approximately what we should expect. In any case, it seems out of

¹ Nos. 22, 25, 51, 52.

² Nos. 14, 32, 57.

³ Nos. 3, 40, 59.

⁴ *Liber Primus Kilkenniensis*, p. 57. For 'subsidii et ccl marcarum' read 'subsidii cccl marcarum'. That the latter is the true reading is indicated by an entry in the *Register of John Swayne*, p. 85, where the contribution of the clergy of Armagh is stated to be 14m. 12s. 10d. + 15s. 3d., which, it is evident, is quite out of proportion to a subsidy of 250m: the 'last parliament' here mentioned, at which the subsidy was granted, is that of 5 November 1428. It is, moreover, clear from an act of 1477, which refers to 'le rate del commune subsidie de vije marcez,' that this had been the customary amount granted (*Statute Rolls of the Parliaments of Ireland*, 12-22 Edward IV, p. 462).

⁵ No. 28.

the question to suppose that the city's contribution was fixed until the quota was determined, and we must believe that the indentures from the county and clergy, which were both represented in the parliament, are missing. For the third subsidy there are indentures from the city and clergy¹ but again none from the county. The irregularity of the figure is probably to be explained in the way already suggested in the cases of Tipperary, Louth and Wexford. The county quota was apparently in the neighbourhood of 13 marks, which would mean that the contribution of the commons of the county would be about 9½ marks : we cannot suppose that they escaped on this occasion.

In the case of Cork there are missing an indenture from the commons of the county for their contribution to the third subsidy and indentures from the clergy of Cork and Cloyne in respect of the second and third subsidies. We have an indenture given by the representatives of the county covering their contributions to the first and second subsidies² and a separate indenture from the clergy for their contribution to the first subsidy.³ The ratio of the contributions of commons and clergy to the first subsidy is 10 : 1. It will be noticed that the indenture given by the commons provides that the clergy and people of the city of Cork and of the towns of Youghal and Kinsale are to contribute to the sums named. There are subsidiary indentures from the city in respect of the first and second subsidies⁴ and one from Kinsale in respect of the first.⁵ The second indenture from the city makes it clear that the clergy and the crosslands within the boundaries are to join with the citizens in paying the city's contribution, and although the indenture from Kinsale implies that the dean, chapter and clergy of the church of Cork are to contribute to the county quota, this must be due to a misapprehension : what seems to have happened is that the property of the clergy within the town boundaries⁶ was assessed with that of the burgesses. It seems highly probable that an indenture was given by the commons of Kinsale in respect of the second subsidy and that subsidiary indentures in respect of both first and second subsidies were given by the commons of Youghal, whose position was exactly similar. And, in view of the terms of the second indenture of the city of Cork, there can be no doubt that the clergy of the diocese of Cork and Cloyne contributed to the second subsidy and that their indenture is missing. Nor, once it is reasonably established that the enrolling clerk failed to find or to copy some of the indentures in respect of all three subsidies, need we hesitate to suppose that in the case of Cork and Waterford county quotas were fixed for the third subsidy and that, in all probability, indentures were given but have not been recorded. There is no obvious reason why representatives of these two counties should be absent from the great council nor why they should evade contribution to the subsidy granted there.

¹ Nos. 62, 65.

² No. 39.

³ No. 23.

⁴ Nos. 39, 46.

⁵ No. 16.

⁶ And therefore in the diocese of Cork. The fact that Cloyne is not mentioned in the indenture supports the view we have taken that there is a misstatement of the actual position.

INTRODUCTION

It is when we come to ask whether —apart from subsidiary indentures, which were perhaps of no great importance for the purpose of audit—the indentures for the first subsidy are complete, that there must be uncertainty. As we have already seen, there are good grounds for believing that representatives of clergy and commons were summoned from Ulster¹ to attend the parliament and great council, and it would not be surprising if they failed to appear: and again, as we have suggested, we can explain the protest of Meath and Dublin, if the clergy and commons of these counties were called upon to find, not half of the subsidies actually collected, but half of a nominal total which there was no hope of collecting in full because there was no means of compelling Ulster to contribute. Whether we should put Kerry beside Ulster must, in our present state of knowledge, remain a conjecture. Ulster, however, or Ulster and Kerry between them, must, it would seem, account for the balance of just over sixty marks required to bring the contributions to the first subsidy up to the full 700 marks.

¹ In the case of Connacht there is much more room for doubt.

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PART I.

PARLIAMENTS AND COUNCILS IN THE
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1

Parliament at Dublin, Quinzaine of St. John the Baptist, 1312.

REMISSION OF FINE FOR ABSENCE.

Memoranda Roll 6 Edward II, m.2.¹

[*Pro*] *Willelmo de sancto Leodegario.*—Edwardus rex [etc.] thesaurario et baronibus suis de scaccario Dublinie salutem. Quia constat nobis per testimonium fidei dignorum quod dilectus et fidelis noster Willelmus de sancto Leodegario, senescallus libertatis Kilkennie, ita vulneratus fuit expugnando felonies nostros hibernicos quod interesse non potuit ad parliamentum Dublinie a die sancti Iohannis Baptiste vltimo preterito in quindecim dies [*summonitum*], perdonauimus eidem Willelmo quadraginta solidos ad quos amerciatus fuit quia non venit ad parliamentum predictum, sicut summonitus fuit. Et ideo vobis mandamus quod predictam pecuniam a rotulis nostris extrahi et predictum Willelmum inde quietum esse faciat. Teste Edmundo le Botiller, custode terre nostre Hibernie, apud Dubliniam, xvij. [die] Octobris anno [regni nostri]vj°. 18 October
1312

2

Parliament at Dublin, Month after Easter, 1320.

MAINPRISE UNTIL PARLIAMENT FOR MINISTER IN ARREAR WITH HIS ACCOUNT.

Memoranda Roll 13-14 Edward II, m. 23d.²

De sacramento Iohannis Benengier, nuper senescalli dominicarum terrarum domini regis, de essendo hic die veneris in quarta septimana Quadragesime.

Memorandum quod eodem die³ venit hic Iohannes Benenger nuper senescallus dominicarum terrarum domini regis in comitatu

¹ Cal. Mem. Rolls, vii. 4.

² Original. ³ 10 March, the date of the previous entry.

14 March
1320

Dublinie, et prestitit domino regi sacramentum suum coram thesaurario et baronibus de scaccario hic etc. de essendo hic die veneris in quarta septimana Quadragesime¹ ad satisfaciendum domino regi de xj. libris, xix. solidis, ij. denariis, de arreragiis compoti sui de tempore quo fuit senescallus terrarum domini regis supradictarum etc., nisi Iohannes Wogan interim vel ad tunc pro eodem Iohanne Benenger thesaurario et baronibus hic etc. per litteras suas mandauerit quod pro eodem Iohanne Benenger satisfacere voluerit domino regi de pecunia predicta et manucaptor eius versus dominum regem inde deuenire etc.

Littere Iohannis Wogan patentes pro predicto Iohanne Benenger.

16 March,
1320

Memorandum quod postea xvij. die Marcii proximo sequenti mandauit hic predictus Iohannes Wogan per litteras suas patentes, que resident inter breuia de Anglia de hoc anno etc., quod ipse manucepit predictum Iohannem Benenger ad habendum ipsum hic etc. a die Pasche proximo futuro in vnum mensem ad parliamentum etc., vel saltem cicius citra eundem diem, ad faciendum et recipiendum quod curia hic etc. considerauerit quo ad arreragia compoti sui predicti etc.²

27 April
1320

3

Parliament at Dublin, Month after Easter, 1320.

PETITION AND PROCEEDINGS THEREON.

Memoranda Roll 13-14 Edward II, m. 31³.

Pro Iohanne de Tuyt milite patens—Edwardus Dei gracia rex Anglie, dominus Hibernie et dux Aquitanie omnibus ad quos presentes littere peruerenterint salutem. Monstrauit nobis dilectus et fidelis noster Iohannes de Tuyt per petitionem suam coram dilecto et fidieli nostro Rogero de Mortuo Mari, iusticiario nostro Hibernie, et consilio nostro in pleno parlimuento nostro apud Dubliniam conuocato a die Pasche proximo preterito in vnum mensem exhibitam quod—cum ipse et Ricardus Boscher, iam defunctus, extitissent collectores quintedecime domino Edwardo regi, patri nostro, in partibus Midie concesse ac super

¹ That is, Friday in the fourth week of Lent. This could not, however, have been reckoned from Ash Wednesday but from Quadragesima Sunday, which fell on 17 February in 1320.

² In margin 'mense Pasche.'

³ Original.

27 April
1320

compotum suum ad scaccarium ipsius patris nostri apud Dubliniam redditum vsque ad summam quadraginta et septem librarum et octo denariorum in arreragiis remansissent, que quidem arreragia tum propter capcionem Ricardi de Burgo, comitis Ultonie, per Iohannem filium Thome tum propter alias turbaciones eo tempore ubique in Hibernia motas, leuari non poterunt per collectores eosdem in exoneracionem eorundem—nos, aduertentes dampna plurima que idem Iohannes de Tuyt in diuersis obsequiis nostris et patris nostri, tam in perdicione hominum quam equorum suorum magni precii, sustinuit pro obsequiis illis et aliis nobis in posterum impendendis, eidem Iohanni graciā facere volumus in hac parte specialem. Perdonauimus eidem Iohanni medietatem ipsum contingentem de arreragiis predictis et mandauimus thesaurario et baronibus nostris de scaccario predicto quod ipsum Iohannem de medietate arreragiorum illorum exonerarent et inde facerent esse quietum. In cuius rei testimonium has litteras nostras fieri fecimus patentes. Teste prefato iusticiario nostro, apud Dubliniam, quinto die Maii anno regni nostri terciodecimo.

5 May
1320

Per petitionem de consilio.
Veni hic vij. die Maii anno predicto.

4

Parliament at Dublin, Month after Easter, 1320.

REMISSION OF FERM TO CITIZENS OF LIMERICK.

Memoranda Roll 13-14 Edward II, m. 33d.¹

Pro ciuibus Lymerici. Edwardus Dei gracia rex Anglie, dominus Hibernie et dux Aquitanie omnibus balliis et fidelibus suis in Hibernia ad quos presentes littere peruerent salutem. Quia ciues ciuitatis nostre Lymerici diuersis ex causis adeo depauperati sunt quod vix eis sufficiunt omnia bona ciuitatis predicte ad ipsam ciuitatem custodiendam contra hibernicos felones nostros parcum illarum et similiter ad emendandum muros ciuitatis illius, qui manifeste minantur ruina, concordatum est et concessum per consilium nostrum in instanti parlimento nostro apud Dubliniam quod de eisdem ciuibus nichil de firma nostra eiusdem ciuitatis ad presens leuetur, set

¹ Original.

quod thesaurarius et barones nostri de scaccario nostro Dublinie cesserent de firma illa de eis leuanda quousque aliud inde ordinauerimus. In cuius rei testimonium has litteras nostras fieri fecimus patentes. Teste Rogero de Mortuo Mari, iusticiario nostro Hibernie, apud Dubliniam, vj^{ta} die Maii anno regni nostri tercio decimo.

6 May
1320

Per billam ipsius iusticiarii.
Veniunt x^{mo} die Maii anno predicto.

5

Parliament at Dublin, Month after Easter, 1327.

REMISSION OF FINE FOR ABSENCE.

C. 59/14, m. 16.

Pro Reymundo Lercedekne.—Edwardus etc. dilecto et fidelio suo Reymundo Lercedekne salutem. Sciatis quod perdonauimus vobis quadraginta libras in quibus amerciati fuistis eo quod non venistis ad parliamentum domini Edwardi, quondam regis Anglie, patris nostri, summonitum a die Pasche in vnum mensem anno regni eiusdem patris nostri vicesimo,¹ ad quod parliamentum venire non potuistis propter guerram Hiberniorum, sicut per inquisitionem coram tenente locum iusticiarii nostri Hibernie captam compertum est. In cuius etc. Teste Fratre Rogero Outlawe, priore Hospitalis sancti Iohannis Ierusalem in Hibernia, tenente locum iusticiarii nostri Hibernie, apud Dubliniam, vj^{to} die Marcii anno regni nostri quinto.

10 May
1327

Per billam ipsius locum tenentis.

6

Parliament at Dublin, Month after Easter, 1327.

REMISSION OF PORTION OF FINE FOR ABSENCE.

C. 59/14, m. 14.

Pro Ricardo Waleys.—Edwardus etc. thesaurario etc. Cum dilectus et fidelis noster Ricardus le Waleys nuper in curia

¹ Edward III's accession had been notified to the justiciar on 29 January 1327 (*Foedera*, II. ii. 683) and to the magnates and bishops on 14 February, when the earl of Kildare's appointment as justiciar was announced (*ibid.*, p. 688, *Cal. Close Rolls*, 1327-30, p. 106): but apparently recognition was not accorded to the new king until Kildare assumed office on 12 May (E. 101/239/5). In Ireland therefore the twentieth year of Edward II continued until 11 May.

6 March
1331

domini Edwardi, nuper regis Anglie, patris nostri, amerciatus fuisse ad quadraginta libras eo quod non venit ad parliamentum ipsius patris nostri nuper summonitum apud Dubliniam, videlicet a die Pasche anno regni predicti patris nostri in vnum mensem vicesimo, quo tempore ipse propter viarum discrimina absque corporis sui periculo ibidem nullo modo accedere potuit, prout coram iusticiario et consilio nostro Hibernie per testimonium fide dignorum veraciter compertum est. Volentes eidem Ricardo graciam in hac parte facere specialem, perdonauimus eidem Ricardo triginta et octo libras de predictis quadraginta libris in quibus amerciatus est, occasione predicta. Vobis mandamus quod ipsum Ricardum de predictis xxxviiij. libris de illis quadraginta libris exonerari et ipsum inde omnino quietum esse faciatis. Teste Antonio de Lucy, iusticiario nostro Hibernie, apud Dubliniam, xvij. die Augusti anno regni nostri 16 August 1332.

10 May
1327

7

Parliament at Dublin, Octave of Hilary, 1329.

REMISSION OF FINE FOR ABSENCE.

C. 59/14, m. 10: Memoranda Roll 8-9 Edward III, m. 4¹.

Pro Mauricio de Rupeforti.—Edwardus etc. thesaurario et baronibus suis de scaccario Dublinie salutem. Sciatis quod pro bono et laudabili seruicio quod dilectus et fidelis noster Mauricius de Rupeforti nobis hactenus impendit et imposterum impendet perdonauimus eidem Mauricio centum marcas in quibus amerciatus fuit coram Fratre Rogero Outlawe, priore Hospitalis sancti Iohannis Ierusalem in Hibernia, tenente locum iusticiarii nostri Hibernie, in termino sancti Hillarii anno regni nostri secundo, quia non venit ad parliamentum nostrum tunc apud Dubliniam summonitum; et eciam quadraginta solidos in quibus amerciatus fuit coram vobis quia non venit in propria persona ad scaccarium predictum ad profrum suum faciendum, videlicet in termino sancti Michaelis anno regni nostri quarto; et eciam triginta et quinque libras in quibus amerciatus fuit coram vobis quia non venit ad idem scaccarium primo, secundo nec tertio.

¹ Cal. Mem. Rolls, xviii. pt. 3, 25.

die ad computandum, prout habuit in mandatis in termino sancte Trinitatis anno regni nostri quarto. Et ideo vobis mandamus quod prefatas pecuniarum summas a rotulis scaccarii predicti extrahi et ipsum Mauricium inde quietum esse faciatis. Teste prefato locum tenente, apud Dubliniam, xxvij^{to} die Aprilis anno regni nostri quinto.

27 April
1331

8

Parliament at Dublin, Octave of Hilary, 1329.

REMISSION OF FINE FOR ABSENCE.

Memoranda. Roll 8-9 Edward III, m. 2d.¹

Pro Episcopo Imlacensi.—Edwardus etc. thesaurario et baronibus suis de scaccario Dublinie salutem. Monstrauit nobis venerabilis pater episcopus Imlacensis per petitionem suam coram tenente locum iusticiarii nostri Hibernie et consilio nostro ibidem exhibitam quod, cum idem episcopus nuper per breve nostrum summonitus fuisse ad essendum cum ceteris prelatis et proceribus terre nostre Hibernie ad parliamentum nostrum summonitum et tentum apud Dubliniam in octabis sancti Hillarii anno regni nostri secundo coram dilecto et fideli nostro fratre Rogero Outlawe, priore Hospitalis sancti Iohannis Ierusalem in Hibernia, tunc tenente locum iusticiarii nostri Hibernie, et ceteris de consilio nostro ibidem, et licet idem episcopus tanta egritudine adtunc detineretur quod ad parliamentum predictum personaliter nullatenus esse potuit, quia tamē ad parliamentum nostrum predictum cum ceteris prelatis et proceribus terre nostre predice ad mandatum nostrum predictum non venit ad centum marcas amerciatus extitit, quas quidem centum marcas ab eodem episcopo per summonicionem scaccarii predicti exigitis [et] ipsum pro ea occasione distringitis, sicut ex querela sua accepimus. Super quo nobis supplicauit idem episcopus quod habito respectu ad premissa ipsum de predictis centum marcis gracie exonerari iuberemus. Nos, super premissis certiorari et eidem episcopo fieri volentes quod est iustum, assignauimus dilectos et fideles nostros Thomam de Louthe et Iohannem de Grauntsete ad

20 January,
1329

¹ Ferguson Coll. 1. 218; Cal. Mem. Rolls, xviii. pt. 3. 18.

inquirendum per sacramentum proborum et legalium hominum de Crocea Typerarie super premissis et ad nos in cancellaria nostra Hibernie certificandum quid super eisdem per inquisitionem predictam inuenirent. Et quia nobis constat per predictam inquisitionem captam, vt premittitur, et in predicta cancellaria rite retornatam quod, cum idem episcopus in vigilia Nativitatis Domini tunc proximo preterita ante diem parliamenti predicti equitasset palefridum suum versus ecclesiam de Imlaghe, dictus palefridus sub ipso episcopo tunc cespitauit et predictum episcopum ad terram prostrauit grauiter ledendum, ita quod tres coste in dextro latere ipsius episcopi confracte fuerunt, vnde predictus episcopus toto tempore parliamenti predicti languebat adeo quod de vita eius desperabatur, et absque corporis sui periculo ad predictum parliamentum nullo modo accedere potuit, nos, ad predictum infortunium ipsius episcopi consideracionem habentes et eidem graciam facere volentes specialem, vobis mandamus quod ab exaccione centum marcarum predictarum erga predictum episcopum de cetero facienda, si occasione premissa et non alia ab eodem exigantur, supersedeatis omnino ipsumque episcopum coram vobis in scaccario predicto inde exonerari et quietum esse faciatis, districcionem, si quam ei premissa occasione fieri feceritis, sine dilacione relaxantes eidem. Teste Thoma de Burgh, clero, teniente locum Iohannis Darcy, iusticiarri nostri Hibernie, apud Dubliniam, xxix. die Octobris anno regni nostri septimo.

24 December
1329

29 October
1333

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Parliament at Dublin, Monday after the Assumption, 1332.

DECISION TO SUMMON THOSE OWING MILITARY SERVICE TO MEET AT LIMERICK ON MONDAY AFTER MICHAELMAS.

Memoranda Roll 7 Edward III¹.

Cum in parlamento domini regis apud Dubliniam, nuper summonito et conuocato,² concordatum fuisse et concessum per iusticiarum et consilium et totam communitatem terre

¹ Ferguson Coll. I. 427. Also entered on Justiciary Roll, Hilary 6 Edward III, m. 13: abstracted Cal. Mem. Rolls, XVII, 374.

² The dates fixed for the performance of military service leaves no room for doubt that the parliament was that which had met on Monday after the Assumption, i.e., 17 August.

5 October
1332

Hibernie quod publice proclamaretur per totam terram Hibernie quod omnes illi, qui seruicium domino regi facere debuerunt, essent apud Lymerik' die lune proxima post festum sancti Michaelis proximo preteritum, cum equis et armis ac decenti apparatu, ad seruicium suum predictum domino regi faciendum, ad expugnandum quosdam hibernicos felones domini regis parcium illarum, qui tunc contra dominum regem hostiliter de guerra insurrexerunt, ac quidem qui seruicium domino regi facere debuerunt ad diem predictum ibidem non venerunt ad premissa facienda, mandatum est cancellario quod fieri faciat breue domini regis thesaurario et baronibus de scaccario Hibernie quod ipsi seruicium predictum de illis qui ibidem non venerunt, prout moris est, ad opus domini regis leuari faciant.

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Parliament at Dublin, Monday after the Assumption, 1332.

REMISSION OF FINE FOR ABSENCE WRONGLY IMPOSED.

C. 59/14, m. 12.

Pro Episcopo Dunensi.—Edwardus etc. thesaurario suo Hibernie, vel eius locum tenenti, et baronibus suis de scaccario Dublinie salutem. Licet venerabilis pater episcopus Dunensis coram dilecto et fideli nostro Antonio de Lucy, nuper iusticiario nostro Hibernie, amerciatus fuisse ad centum marcas eo quod non venit ad parliamentum nostrum nuper summonitum apud Dubliniam die lune proxima post festum Assumptionis beate Marie anno regni nostri vj^{to}, que quidem centum marce per summonicionem scaccarii nostri predicti a predicto episcopo iam exiguntur. Et quia ex testimonio fidedignorum accepimus quod predictus episcopus ad parliamentum nostrum predictum personaliter interfuit, nos, aduertentes quod idem episcopus indebite amerciatus fuit volentesque eidem episcopo in hac parte fieri quod est iustum, vobis mandamus quod predictum episcopum de predictis centum marcis exonerari et inde quietum esse faciatis. Teste Iohanne Darcy, iusticiario etc., apud Dubliniam, xiiij. die Februarii anno regni nostri octauo.

17 August
133214 February
1334

Parliament at Dublin, Monday after the Assumption, 1382.

REMISSION OF FINE FOR ABSENCE.

Memoranda Roll 8-9 Edward III, m.4¹.

Pro Geraldo de Rupeforti.—Edwardus etc. thesaurario suo, vel eius locum tenenti, et baronibus suis de scaccario Dublinie salutem. Monstrauit nobis Geraldus, filius et heres Mauricii de Rupeforti iam defuncti, per petitionem suam coram tenente locum iusticiarii nostri Hibernie et consilio nostro ibidem exhibitam, quod, cum idem Mauricius nuper per breue nostrum summonitus fuisse ad essendum cum ceteris proceribus terre nostre Hibernie ad parliamentum nostrum summonitum et tentum apud Dubliniam die lune proxima post festum As-^{17 August} 1332 sumpcionis beate Marie anno regni nostri sexto coram dilecto et fideli nostro Antonio de Lucy, tunc iusticiario nostro Hibernie, et ceteris de consilio nostro ibidem, et licet idem Mauricius adtunc assignaretur ad morandum super custodiam de Any ad debellandum Breen O'Brien inimicum et rebellem nostrum, ita quod ad parliamentum nostrum predictum propter diuersa pericula et guerram predictam personaliter accedere non potuerit, quia tamen ad mandatum nostrum predictum non venit sicut et ceteri proceres nostri ad parliamentum nostrum predictum, per auisamentum curie nostre ad viginti libras amerciatus extitit, que quidem viginti libre ratione premissa a prefato Geraldo tanquam herede predicti Mauricii iam per vos in scaccario predicto exiguntur.

Per quod, ad supplicacionem ipsius Geraldii, super premissis certiorari et eidem Geraldo fieri volentes quod est iustum, assignauimus dilectos nobis Fratrem Iohannem le Mareschall et Robertum Lenfaunt ad inquirendum per sacramentum proborum et legalium hominum de comitatu Lymerici, per quos rei veritas melius sciri posset, si predictus Mauricius assignatus fuit ad predictam custodiam necne, et si sic tunc per quem, et si tempore parliamenti nostri predicti super custodiam predictam morabatur ita quod ad idem parliamentum nostrum propter diuersa pericula personaliter interesse non potuit, necnon et si occasione custodie et guerre predictarum an alia absens

¹ Ferguson Coll., i. 215 : Cal. Mem. Rolls, xviii. pt. 3. 23.

fuerit in parlimento nostro predicto, et qualiter et quo modo, et de omnibus et singulis ceteris circumstanciis premissa tangentibus plenius veritatem, et inquisitionem inde distincte et aperte factam nobis in cancellaria nostra Hibernie, sub sigillis eorundem Fratris Iohannis et Roberti et eorum per quos sciri fieret, mitterent. Ac quia compertum est, per inquisitionem illam captam per predictos Fratrem Iohannem et Robertum et in cancellaria nostra predicta rite retornatam, quod prefatus Mauricius assignatus fuit super custodiam predictam per prefatum Antonium, tunc iusticiarum nostrum Hibernie, ad debellandum predictum Breen, inimicum nostrum, et malicie sue resistendum, et quod idem Mauricius morabatur tempore parliamenti nostri predicti super dictam custodiam, ita quod ad dictum parliamentum sine maximo dampno et graui iactura nostra et fidelis populi nostri interesse non potuerit, et quod non alia de causa remansit a parlimento nostro predicto, super quo nobis supplicauit idem Geraldus vt, habito respectu ad premissa, ipsum de predictis viginti libris gracie exonerari iuberemus, nos gratum obsequium dicti Mauricii nobis, vt premittitur, impensum considerantes et eiusdem seruiciis pluribus, vt est iustum, annuere volentes, vobis mandamus quod predictum Geraldum de viginti libris predictis, si premissa occasione et non alia illas ab eodem exigenteris, coram vobis in scaccario predicto exonerari totaliter et quietum esse faciat, distinctionem, si quam eidem eadem de causa fieri feceritis, sine dilacione relaxari facientes eidem. Teste Iohanne Darcy, iusticiario nostro Hibernie, apud Lymericum, secundo die Maii anno regni nostri octauo.

2 May
1334

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Parliament at Dublin, Octave of Trinity, 1333.

A—PROCEEDINGS BEFORE THE JUSTICIAR.

Justiciary Roll 7 Edward III, m.15¹.

Placita apud Dubliniam coram Iohanne Darcy, iusticiario Hibernie, die lune proxima post octabas sancte Trinitatis anno septimo.

Memorandum quod in communi parlimento in octabis sancte

7 June
1333

¹ Cal. Mem. Rolls, xvii. 389.

June
1333

Trinitatis anno regni regis nunc septimo apud Dubliniam⁶ conuocato, ad supplicacionem tocius cleri terre Hibernie et ceterorum, tam magnatum quam aliorum de communitate terre predicte, alias regi et iusticiario suo Hibernie factam, de speciali gratia ipsius regis et assensu consilii sui tam in partibus Anglie quam Hibernie, Mauricius filius Thome, comes Dessemonie, in prona castri Dublinie certis de causis detentus, dimissus est a prona predicta per manucpcionem Willelmi de Burgo, comitis Vltonie, Iacobi le Botiller, comitis Ormonie, Ricardi le Tuyt, militis, Nicholai de Verdoun, militis, Mauricii de Rupeforti, militis, Eustacii le Poer, militis, Geraldii de Rupeforti, militis, Iohannis filii Roberti le Poer, militis, Roberti de Barry, militis, Mauricii filii Geraldii, militis, Iohannis de Wellesley, militis, Walteri Lenfaunt, militis, Ricardi de la Rokele, militis, Henrici Traharne, militis, Rogeri le Poer, militis, Iohannis Lenfaunt, militis, Mathei filii Henrici, militis, Ricardi le Waleys, militis, Edmundi de Burgo, filii comitis Vltonie, Dauid de Barry, Willelmi filii Geraldii, Fulconis de Fraxineto, Roberti filii Mauricii, Henrici de Berkeley, Iohannis filii Georgii de Rupe et Thome de Lees de Burgh, qui eundem comitem Dessemonie manuceperunt, corpus pro corpore, quod idem comes bene erga regem et heredes suos ac eorum ministros in terra Hibernie de cetero se geret et erga populum regis in eadem terra bene et pacifice se habebit et prefato regi et eius heredibus ac eorum ministris in terra Hibernie in omnibus erit iusticiabilis, et quod manucaptiores predicti infra duos menses postquam premuniti fuerint per breue regis aut mandatum iusticiarii Hibernie corpus predicti comitis habebunt ad reddendum prisone Castri Dublinie, essendum paratum in curia regis aut respondendum eidem regi aut heredibus suis seu eorum ministris in terra Hibernie ac aliis quibuscumque de omnibus vnde se conqueri voluerint, et in eadem curia legale iudicium eiusdem curie expectabit in omnibus que eadem curia considerauerit, et quod nunquam in terra Hibernie predicta de guerra leuabit nec de mala [couina] contra regem aut heredes suos aut eorum ministros erit, set bene in fidelitate regis et heredum suorum perseverabit et regem et eius heredes et eorum ministros in terra Hibernie contra omnes gentes prototis viribus fideliter iuuabit. Et si contingat quod idem comes Dessemonie regi aut eius heredibus aut eorum ministris

non peruererit seu quicquam in contrarium premissorum fecerit, vel si contigerit quod corpus eiusdem comitis infra duos menses prisone non reddatur; predicti manucaptores concedunt quod corpora sua pro eodem comite capiantur et quod eorum terre et tenementa, bona et catalla, regi aut eius heredibus imperpetuum sint forisfacta, et si regi aut heredibus suis placuerit, predicti manucaptores manuceperint ad equitandum super predictum comitem et quod corpus ipsius comitis curie regis reddent sumptibus suis propriis absque aliquo de rege pro equitacione sua huiusmodi capiendo. Et concessit predictus comes, pro maiori securitate regi facienda, dare obsides suos, scilicet, Thomam filium et heredem Iohannis filii Thome fratris sui, Mauricium filium et heredem Thome filii Gilberti, militis, Iohannem filium et heredem Iohannis filii Iohannis, militis, Iohannem filium et heredem Thome filii Iohannis, circa diem lune proximam ante festum Natiuitatis beate Marie proximo futurum.

6 September
1333

Ad quem diem predictus comes obsides predictos liberauit Thome de Burgh, clero, tenenti locum iusticiarii, apud Nouum Castrum in Oconylle, qui locum tenens obsides predictos tradidit in custodia Roberti de Barry, Geraldii de Rupeforti, Thome filii Gilberti, Roberti de Cauntone, Thome de Lees et Iohannis de Valle, militum, de habendo corpora eorum, corpus pro corpore, apud Dubliniam ad festum Omnis Sanctorum proximo futurum regi liberanda.

1 November
1333

Memorandum quod idem comes manucepit quod, si Mauricius filius Philippi,¹ miles, non vult se [reddere], ipse pro bona pace tenenda habebit filium²

B.—NOTARIAL INSTRUMENT RECORDING PROCEEDINGS IN THE CHOIR OF CHRIST CHURCH, DUBLIN, 17 MAY, 1333.

Reference as A.

In Dei nomine amen. Quia labencium temporum cursus frequenter eorum que geruntur memoriam secum rapit, ne iuramenta que in rei publice et populi communis terre Hibernie [vtilitate] prestita deperire videantur quum in memoriam futuris

¹ Sic.

² There is a note in the margin of the transcript that the membrane was cut away at this point.

temporibus reducentur, sane per presens publicum instrumentum cunctis apereat euidenter quod; nobili viro Mauricio filio Thome, comite Desmonie, in Hibernia quibusdam certis de causis in custodia regis Anglie in castro Dublinie existente, tractatibusque super ipsius liberacione facienda prohibitis, consulto que dicto rege, vt asserebatur, super eisdem, conuenientibus in choro ecclesie sancte Trinitatis Dublinensis coram summo altari eiusdem ecclesie nobilibus viris et discretis dominis Iohanne Darcy, iusticiario capitali prefati regis in Hibernia, Thoma de Burgh, canonico Dublioniensi, eiusdem regis thesaurario ibidem, Thoma de Louethe, iusticiario itineranti, Roberto de Skardeburgh, iusticiario de banco regis Hibernie, magistro Willelmo Beydin, clero, maiore ciuitatis Dublinie, et multis aliis popularibus, tam clericis quam laicis, anno Domini millesimo trecentesimo tricesimo tercio et anno regni regis Edwardi tertii septimo, indiccione prima, die decima septima mensis 17 May
1333 Maii, in presencia mei notarii publici infrascripti et testium subscriptorum, prefatus dominus Thomas de Burgh, thesaurarius Hibernie, prefatum dominum Mauricium gallico sermone, vt subsequitur, ipsius domini Mauricii manu dextra ultra sanctissimum corpus domini nostri [Iesu] Christi super sacro calice et altari predicto repositum, librum sacrosancta euangelia continentem, sanctissimam crucem et baculum beati Patricii, necnon alias reliquias ibidem posita, extensa, onerauit vt omnes articulos subscriptos in sui parte obseruaret et adimpleret sub penis et censuris in eisdem contentis, quorum articulorum tenor de verbo ad verbum talis est :

Vous, Morice, jurez qe vous porterez bien et loialment a nostre seygnur le roy, ses heirs et a lour ministres en Irlaunde et bien et paisiblement vous averez vers le peple le roy et justizable serrez es tutes choses au roy, ses heirs et lour ministres en Irlaunde, et qe vous serrez, dedeinz les deus meis qe vous en serrez garni, prest en court a resoundre au roi, ses heirs et lour ministres en Irlaunde de qantqe il vous vodrent chalanger et illoeques serrez droit attendaunt de qantqe la court agardra, et qe jammeis de guere ne leverez ne de mauvois covigne ne serrez countre le roi, ses heirs ne lour ministres, einz demorrez loialment en la foi et la ligeance le roi et ses heirs et loialment serrez eidant au roi, ses heirs et lour ministres en Irlaunde a vostre poair contre totes gentz qe porrount vivre ou morir, et

ferrez submissioune a¹ tous les ercevesques et evesques d'Irlaunde et conustrez de garder et parfourner les choses susdites en touz pointz.

Et vous, sire, voillez et grauntez qe, si vous allez a l'encontre de cestes choses en nul point, qe Dieu defende, adonques vous soiez escomengé *ipso facto*, et qe jammeis ne ferrez, en la court de Rome ne par aillours, purchace en defesance de ceste submission, et qe vostre corps serra prest a Dyvelyn au procheyn parlement qe y serra tenuz, as octaves de la Trinité procheyn a venir, prest a trouver la sureté ordiné par nostre seygnur le roi et soun consail, c'est assavoir qe les countes d'Ulvester et d'Ormonte et autres vint et qatre barons, baneretz, chevalers et serjauntz de plutz suffisantz de la tere d'Irlaunde, meinprendront pur vous, corps pur corps, qe vous vous porteretz bien et loialment a nostre seygnur le roi et a ses heirs et leur ministres en Irlaunde, et bien et paisiblement vous averetz devers le people le roi en celles parties [*et justizable*] serrez en totes choses au roi, ses heirs et leur ministres en Irlaunde, [*et qe il averont vostre*] corps dedeyns les deus mois que lour serra signifiez par maundement de la justice [*d'Irlaunde a rendre*] a la prisone de Dyvelyn d'estre prest en court de resoundre au [*roi, ses heirs et leur ministres*] en Irlaunde et as autres de qantqe eux vous vodrent chalanger, [*et illoeges serrez droit attendaunt*] de qantqe la court le roi agardra, et qe iameis de [*guere ne leverez ne de mauvois*] covigne ne serrez countre le roi et ses heirs, et loialment serrez [*eidant au roi, ses heirs*] et leur ministres en Irlaunde a vostre poair contre toutz gentz qi porrount [*vivre ou morir, et qe si*] vous soietz desobeisant a nostre seygnur le roi ou a ses heirs [*ou leur ministres en nul*] pointz avantditz, ou q'il aveigne qe vostre corps ne soit amené dedeinz [*les deus meis qe vous en serrez garni, come*] est desusdit, adonques les ditz countes d'Ulvester et d'Ormonte et vos a[*utres vint et qatre meinpernours grauntent*] qe lour corps soient pris pur vous et qe lour teres, tenements, [*biens et chateux*] soient forfaitz au roi ou a ses heirs a toutz jours, et outre, s'il [*pleise au roi ou ses heirs, les ditz meinpernours*] emprendront de chevacher sur vous et q'il vous rendront a la court le roi [*a leur propres*] custages sauntz rien demaunder du roi.

¹ MS. 'en.'

Et si ceste meinpris ne poez trover a . . . en la fourme
 [susdite] adonques vous rendrez vostre corps a la prisone le roi
 [a Dyvelyn] en meisme l'estat qe vous estes [ici] en droit, et
 ceo pur rien ne lerrez si vous . . .

Idem dominus Mauricius, sic manu sua dextra extensa,

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CHARTER GRANTED TO HAVE EFFECT UNTIL NEXT PARLIAMENT
 (1333).

Justiciary Roll 7 Edward III, m.54².

12 September
 1333

Memorandum quod duodecimo die Septembris anno regni
 regis Edwardi septimo Dermitius ODowyr venit coram Thoma
 de Burgh, tenente locum etc., apud Lymericum et protulit
 quamdam peticionem in hec verba :

Dermitius ODowyr petit, ex gratia domini regis, cartam
 perdonacionis omnium transgressionum contra pacem domini
 regis per ipsum perpetratarum usque ad certum diem quem
 dominus iusticiarius ordinauerit. Petit eciam, ex gratia
 domini regis, quod dominus iusticiarius concedat ei in eadem
 carta pro se et heredibus suis quod vti possit et gaudere per
 totam Hiberniam in omnibus curiis omnibus libertatibus
 quibus Angli utuntur in Hibernia.

Et de gratia etc. admittitur, et habet cartam pacis usque ad
 parliamentum etc. Et super hoc in plena curia prestitit
 sacramentum quod bonam pacem domino regi et heredibus
 suis de cetero tenebit et erit iusticiabilis curie domini regis et
 . . . dictis ministris etc. Et crines coulani sui tondere fecit
 pro lege Anglicana tenenda . . .

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Council at Naas, Tuesday after Ascension Day, 1355.

**WRIT SUMMONING THE BISHOP OF KILDARE AND PRINCIPAL
 CLERGY OF HIS DIOCESE.**

Patent Roll, 29 Edward III³.

Rex venerabili in Christo Thome episcopo Darensi salutem.
 Propter ardua et urgencia negocia, nos et defensionem march-

¹ The membrane was mutilated at this point: see above, p. 14, n. 2.

² Ferguson Coll., i. 221; Cal. Mem. Rolls, xviii. pt. 2. 20.

³ Harris Coll., ii. 243; Cal. Patent and Close Rolls, p. 59, no. 36.

19 May
1355

9 May
1355

iarum in partibus vestris contra hostiles Hibernicorum incursus concernencia, vobis mandamus, firmiter iniungentes, quod apud le Naas, die martis proxima post festum Ascensionis Domini proximo futurum ante horam primam, cum quibusdam de maioribus cleri vestri, personaliter intersitis, ac iusticiario nostro et aliis de consilio nostro tracturi et consilium vestrum impensuri. Et hoc nullatenus omittatis. Teste Thome de Rokeby, iusticiario nostro, apud Tristildermot, ix^o die Maii anno regni nostri xxix^o.

Per ipsum iusticiarum et consilium.

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Parliament at Kilkenny, [Hilary], 1359.

THE CHANCELLOR IS APPOINTED TO ACQUAINT THE KING AND THE COUNCIL IN ENGLAND WITH THE STATE OF IRISH AFFAIRS.

Memoranda Roll, 32-33 Edward III, m. 23d.¹

Edwardus Dei gracia rex Anglie et Francie et dominus Hibernie omnibus ad quos presentes littere peruerent salutem. Cum per litteras nostras de Anglia commiserimus delicto nobis in Christo Fratri Iohanni de Frowyk, priori Hospitalis sancti Iohannis Ierusalem in Hibernia, officium cancellarie nostre Hibernie habendum quamdiu nobis placuerit, percipiendo in officio illo feodum consuetum vnam exitibus sigilli nostri officii predicti, prout alii cancellarii ibidem percipere consueverunt, prout in litteris nostris patentibus inde confectis plenius continetur,² et quia idem cancellarius noster pro arduis et vrgentibus negotiis terram nostram Hibernie intime concorrentibus coram nobis et consilio nostro Anglie exponendis, de assensu iusticiarii nostri Hibernie ac prelatorum, magnatum et procerum in vltimo parlimuento nostro apud Kilkenny tento conuocatorum, ad partes Anglie Deo ducto est profecturus, idem cancellarius noster coram nobis in dicta cancellaria constituit Fratrem Iohannem de Mora et Willelum de Drayton,

¹ Addl. 4790, fo. 11; *Cal. Mem. Rolls*, xxvii. 231.

² The patent is dated 24 July 1356 (*Cal. Patent Rolls*, 1354-8, p. 426).

³ The parliament appears to be that which met in the Hilary term 1359: see *Liber Primus Kilkenniensis*, p. 21.

clericum, coniunctim et diuisim, locum ipsius cancellarii tenentes,¹ ad faciendum et excercendum officium dicti cancellarii quamdiu et nobis et prefato cancellario nostro placuerit, percepido in officio illo feodum predictum vnam exitibus sigilli predicti. In cuius rei testimonium has litteras nostras fieri fecimus patentes. Teste Iacobo le Botiller, comite Dormonie, iusticiario nostro Hibernie, apud Dubliniam, quinto die Iunii anno regni ^{5 June} 1359 nostri Anglie xxxij^o, regni vero nostri Francie xx^o.

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General Council at Kilkenny, Monday after the Feast of St. Margaret, 1360.

**MESSENGERS ELECTED TO INFORM THE KING OF THE STATE OF
IRELAND AND TO SEEK HIS AID.**

Anc. Pet. no. 12900.

Pleise a vous, nostre tres redouté seignur le roi, et a vostre sage conseil d'Engleterre entendre et escoute doner al priour del Hospitale d'Irlaund, vostre chaunceller illoques, Richard Elerker, Geoffrey fitz Eustace, Johan Lumbard, messagers par commune assent de vostre conseil d'Irlaund et nous, vos lieges, eslieuz pur vous enfourmer et certefier de les meschief, pereils et l'estat de vostre dite terre et vos liges celes parties, q̄i sount en poynt d'estre perdu [si] par vous socour et remedie ne les soient le plus en hast envoiétz. As queux, pleise a vostre tres-haute seignurie, foie et credence doner, si bien des choses southescriptz come des autres douint ils sount par nous chargéz a vous, tresredouté seignur, et a vostre [sage con]seil moustrer, empriaunz a vostre hautesse q̄e si par nule autre a vostre majesté soit certefié de rien a l'encountre, q̄e a tiele certificacione ne vous pleise escoute ne credence donere.

En primes, q̄e come diverses seignurs d'Engleterre q̄ount leurs seignurages en Irlaund, q̄amontent les quinez partiez de la dite terre et plus, demurent en Engleterre et fount lour deputéz illoques, et apportent leurs profitz hors de la dite terre et riens

¹ Frowyk received his fee up to 24 June 1359, from which date until 4 August following his deputies acted: from 5 August Thomas de Bureleye, prior of the Hospital of St. John of Jerusalem in Ireland, held office as chancellor (E. 101/244/2; 6).

ou poy mettent en defens de les ditz seignurages illoques, par qui les irreis enemys ount mesmes les seignurages pur la greyndre partie destruis, ensemblement od vos terres et les terres autres vos liges gisauntz envyroun pur defaut d'aide et defens, et unqore apportent de jour en autre de ceo qui lour est remis de profitz, saunz costages mettir en defens d'icels.

Item pur ceo que diverses religious et autres beneficiers qui ount lour benefices de saint eglise deynz la terre d'Irlaund, qui amontent a tresgrauntz summe, apportent lours profitz hors de la terre par lour deputez et procuratours sauntz rien mettir en defens de la dite terre, dount la dite terre si est grauntement empoverye.

Item que come en chescun marche de vostre dite terre d'Irlaund eynz ces hours estoient diverses grantz seignurs qui soleynnt meyntenyr les marches en absence de vostre justice, a quels temps la dite justice n'avoit que poie a faire a meyntenier et governier la ley parmy la terre et justicer le poeple denzeyn, les queux seignurs, qui par la pestilence, qui estoit si graunt et si hidouse parentre les engleis liges et nyent entre les Irreis, qui par amisoun de mesmes les seignurs, par les ditz enemys la terre et les liges sount si enfeblitz, que en nules parties ne soi peunt defendre ne sauver, come il est a ore, sauntz presence de vostre dit justice, quele chose une seul person de la terre ne poent en nule manere perfourmer en si large terre.

Item la terre et vos liges illoques sount si empoverys par diverses oppressiouns, sauntz paiementz faire, tallages, et male gouernail des ministres qui ount esté avaunt ces hurs, et par ferventz et continueles gerres qui ount esté, que vos ditz liges n'ont dount soi encountre vos enemys defendre ne se a peyn sustenyr, ne riens, seynurs, est en vostre tresorie illoques par cele cause, pur ceo que vostre dite justice tut soun temps ad esté et encore est si occupéz et entendantz a les ditz gerres en defence de la dite terre qu'il ne puroyt ne poet attendre a vos plées tenir ne vos profitz faire, par quez vos gerres soleint estre meyntenuz et vostre dite terre defenduz. Ne les justice assignéz a tenyr les plées sauntz sa presence les Engleis ne veoillent estre entendantz, si come ils soleynnt s'il fust present; ne vos ministres illoques ne poent vos aunciens dettes lever par cause del destruccioun et povert de vos liges, com desus est dist.

Item les Irrois, vos enemys, par tote la terre d'un assent et covyn sount communément levétz de gerre, ardauntz, des-

truyantz et praiantz de jour en autre vos liges celes parties, queux enemys si sount confortés par les causes susditz et afforcéz des chivaux, armurs et autres biens conquis sur vos ditz liges par occisiouns et en autre manere, si qe ils ount graunt partie de la terre en diverses marchez conquis et degastés, et soi afforcent de jour en autre de lour malices continuer, supposauntz lour malveis purposes a emplir a conquer la dite terre, qe Deu defende, si s[ocour] et relief ne soit le plus en hast par vous, seignurs, hors d'Engleterre envoiéz.

Item qe vostre justice d'Irlaund, par assent de vostre conseil illoques, des terres et tenementz seisis ou a seisir en vostre mayn, par cause de forfaiture ou en autre manere, purra aler a final discucionne et faire droit a suyt de partie par fyn ou en autre manere, nyent contresteaut qequenque mandement par quelle ses mayns sount liétz a ceo faire, consideraunt la povert de vos liges illoques, qui ne sont de poair de pursuyr lours droitures en Engleterre, parount plusours gentz d'Irland sont desherétz et povres veuves mendynaunz saunz lours dowers.

Item pur ceo qe plusours enemys irrois qui sount de gerre et ount attretéz od eaux engleys meffessours, qui ne pount la ley suffrir, pur ceo qe lour meffaites sount establés et communes, pur socour avoir des ditz enemys, dout il sount tresgrauntment afforcéz, par cause qe la justice d'Irlaund ad poair de graunter as teux meffessours engleys chartres generales de pardoun, dout les grauntz fyns soleynt sourdre de tute jours en meyntenance de vos droiture illoques, et auxint vos liges illoques sount moult par teux meffessours enfeblis pur conysaunce q'ils ount entre les Engleys ou ils soleint demurrer.

Queux pereils et meschies nous, vos liges, vostre justice, conseill, prelatz, piers et communes de vostre dite terre, a une vostre generale conseil somounz et tenuz a Kilkenny pur bien de vostre pees celes parties, veauntz la perde et destruccione de vos terre et liges susditz, sur la ligeaunz qe nous vous devoms, la signefioms a vostre hautesse, empriauntz a vostre excellent seignurye come ceaux qui dolourusement ount endurrétz et endurrons nostre vie en meyntenance de vos terre et droitures a nostre poair et oultre ne poms endurer, qe, en oeuvre de charité, vous plese a nous et vostre dite terre socour et releef d'un bone chiefteyn suffisant, estoiffés et efforcéz de gentz et tresore, dout il sount vyver, hors d'Engleterre en hast commander, come noble et gracieuse prince est tenuz de faire a ses liges.

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En tesmoignaunce de quele chose vostre seale de vostre chauncellerie d'Irland, ensemblement od les seales nous vos liges, vostre justice, chaunceller et autres de vostre conseil illeoques, piers et prelatz, à la requeste de vos dites communes a ceste endenture entrechaungablement sount mys.¹ Doné a Kilkenny, le lundy prochein apres la fest de saint Margarete la Virgine, l'an de vostre regne del realme d'Engleterre trentisme quarte et de France vyntisme primer.

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Parliament at Kilkenny, Morrow of Ash Wednesday, 1366.

A.—WRIT OF SUMMONS.

Sweteman Reg., fo. 1b.

Edwardus Dei gracia rex Anglie, dominus Hibernie [et Aquitanie, venerabili in Christo patri Miloni eadem gracia] archiepiscopo Ardmacano salutem. Quia pro arduis et vrgentissimis negotiis nos et statum terre nostre Hibernie [intime] concernentibus parliamentum nostrum apud Kylkenniam, die iouis in crastino Cinerum proximo futuro, fauente Domino, tenere et vobiscum ac ceteris prelatis dicte terre colloquium habere volumus et tractatum, vobis in fide et dileccione quibus nobis tenemini firmiter iniungendo mandamus quatinus dictis die et loco cum Leonello duce Clarencie, filio nostro karissimo, locum tenente nostrum in terra nostra Hibernie, ceterisque prelatis, magnatibus et proceribus dicte terre personaliter intersitis super premissis tracturi vestrumque consilium impensuri. Et hoc, sicut nos et honorem nostrum diligitis et vos erga nos indempnes seruare velitis,² nullatenus omittatis. Et habeatis ibi tunc hoc breue. Teste Leonello duce Clarencie, filio nostro karissimo, locum tenente nostrum in terra nostra Hibernie, apud Dubliniam, primo die Ianuarii anno regni nostri tricesimo nono.

Per ipsum locum tenentem et consilium.

B.—APPOINTMENT OF PROCTORS.

Reference as A.

Pateat vniuersis per presentes quod nos, Milo, Dei et apostolice

¹ The parchment is indented: no seals, however, remain.² The otherwise identical writ in respect of the vacant see of Down (no. 17c) reads 'volueritis.'19 February
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sedis [gracia] archiepiscopus Ardmacanus, Hibernie primas, facimus, ordinamus et constituimus dilectos nobis in Christo Iohannem de Clyntone, dominum de Drumcasselle, et Willelmum filium Ade, coniunctim et diuisim, nostros veros procuratores et attornatos speciales ad interessendum nomine nostro coram excellenti domino, domino Leonello duce Clarencie, locum tenente domini nostri regis Anglie in Hibernia, et ceterisque¹ prelatis, magnatibus et proceribus dicte terre Hibernie in parlimento dicti domini nostri regis tenendo apud Kylkenniam, die iouis in crastino Cinerum proximo futuro post datum 19 February 1366 confecccionis presencium, ad in negociis et colloquiis ibidem dictum dominum nostrum regem et statum terre sue Hibernie intime concernentibus tractandum, consiliumque ex parte nostra impendendum, et omnia alia et singula facienda, expedienda et exercenda nomine nostro in parlimento predicto, que in propria persona faceremus si ibidem personaliter interessemus, ratum et gratum habituri quicquid iidem procuratores et attornati nostri, seu alter eorum, fecerint seu fecerit in premissis et quolibet premissorum. In cuius rei testimonium sigillum nostrum presentibus est appensum. Datum in manerio nostro apud Tarmefechyn, die sabbati proxima post festum Purificacionis beate Marie Virginis, anno Domini millesimo ccvmo 7 February 1366 lxvto.

C.—WRIT OF SUMMONS, SEDE VACANTE.

Reference as A.

Edwardus [etc.] custodi spiritualitatis episcopatus Dunensis sede vacante salutem. Quia [etc. as A above].

D.—APPOINTMENT OF PROCTORS.²

Reference as A.

Fiat consimile procuratorum et eisdem nominibus pro eodem primato, custode tunc spiritualis iurisdictionis in episcopatu Dunensi ipsius, sede vacante, cum hac incepione:

Pateat vniuersis per presentes quod nos, Milo, Dei et apostolice sedis gracia archiepiscopus Ardmacanus, Hibernie primas,

¹ Sic.

² This is evidently the transcript of a note endorsed upon the writ.

custos spiritualis iurisdiccionis episcopatus Dunensis ipsius, sede vacante, facimus etc., vt supra in procuratorio, ad interessendum nomine nostro et custodie antedictie nos pertinentis.

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Parliament at Kilkenny, Morrow of Trinity, 1367.

WRIT OF SUMMONS.

Sweteman Reg., fo. 4a.

Edwardus [*etc.*]¹ venerabili in Christo patri Miloni eadem gracia archiepiscopo Ardmacano salutem. Quia pro arduis et vrgentissimis negotiis nos et statum terre nostre Hibernie intime concernentibus parliamentum nostrum apud Kilkenniam, in crastino sancte Trinitatis proximo futuro, fauente Domino, tenere et vobiscum ac ceteris prelatis dicte terre colloquium habere volumus et tractatum, vobis in fide et dileccione quibus nobis tenemini firmiter iniungendo mandamus quatinus dictis die et loco cum iusticiario nostro Hibernie ceterisque prelatis, magnatibus et proceribus dicte terre personaliter intersitis super premissis tractaturi vestrumque consilium impensuri. Et hoc sicut [*nos et*] honorem nostrum diligitis et vos erga nos indempnes seruare velitis, nullatenus omittatis. Et habeatis ibi tunc hoc breue. Teste Geraldo fitz Morice, comite Dessemonie, iusticiario nostro Hibernie, apud Dubliniam, xxvij^{mo} die Aprilis anno regni nostri quadragesimo primo.

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Parliament at Dublin, Monday before Invention of the Holy Cross, 1368.

A—WRIT OF SUMMONS.

Sweteman Reg., fo. 4b.

Edwardus Dei gracia rex Anglie, dominus Hibernie et Acquitanie, venerabili in Christo patri Miloni eadem gracia archiepiscopo Ardmacano salutem. Quia pro arduis et vrgentissimis negotiis nos et statum terre nostre Hibernie intime concernentibus parliamentum nostrum apud Dubliniam, die

¹ The MS. is torn at this point.

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lune proxima ante festum Inuencionis sancte Crucis proximo ^{1 May}
 futurum, fauente Domino, tenere et vobiscum ac ceteris prelatis,
 magnatibus et proceribus dicte terre colloquium habere volumus
 et tractatum, vobis in fide et dilectione quibus nobis tenemini
 firmiter iniungendo mandamus quatinus dictis die et loco cum
 iusticiario nostro Hibernie ceterisque prelatis, magnatibus
 et proceribus predictis personaliter intersitis super premissis
 tractaturi vestrumque consilium impensuri. Et hoc, sicut nos
 et honorem nostrum ac tranquillitatem dicte terre nostre
 diligitis, nullatenus omittatis. Et habeatis ibi tunc hoc breue.
 Teste Geraldo fitz Morice, comite Desmonde, iusticiario nostro
 Hibernie, apud Corke, xij. die Marcii anno regni nostri quad- ^{12 March}
 ragesimo secundo. ¹³⁶⁸

Per breue Anglie.

B—APPOINTMENT OF PROCTORS.

Sweteman Reg., fo. 4b-5a.

Pateat vniuersis per presentes quod nos, Milo, Dei et apostolice
 sedis gracia archiepiscopus Ardmacanuſ, Hibernie primas,
 facimus, ordinamus et constituimus dilectos nobis in Christo
 Iohannem de Clynton, dominum de Drumcasselle, et Robertum
 Gilys, familiarem nostrum, coniunctim et diuisim, nostros
 veros et legitimos procuratores et attornatos ad interessendum
 nomine nostro coram nobili domino, domino Geraldo fitz
 Morice, comite Desmonde, iusticiario domini nostri regis Anglie
 in Hibernia, ceterisque prelatis, magnatibus et proceribus
 eiusdem¹ terre apud Dubliniam, die lune proxima ante festum ^{1 May}
 Inuencionis sancte Crucis proximo futurum, super arduis et ¹³⁶⁸
 vrgentissimis negotiis ipsum dominum nostrum regem et
 statum terre sue Hibernie intime concernentibus in parliamento
 suo ibidem tunc tenendo colloquendum, tractandum con-
 siliumque ex parte nostra impendendum, et omnia alia et
 singula facienda, expedienda et exercenda nomine [nistro] in
 parliamento predicto, que in propria persona faceremus si ibidem
 personaliter interessemus, ratum et gratum habituri quicquid
 iidem procuratores et attornati² nostri, seu eorum alter, fecerint
 seu fecerit in premissis et quolibet premissorum. In cuius rei

¹ The top of fo. 5 is mutilated, but the text can be restored from Bishop Reeves's transcript, which Dr. Chart has kindly consulted for this purpose.

² MS. "attoranati."

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testimonium sigillum nostrum presentibus est appensum.
Datum in manerio nostro apud Tarmefeghyn, die sabbati proxima
ante festum supradictum, anno Domini M^{mo} ccc^{mo} lxvij^{vo}.

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Parliament at Dublin, Monday before St. Peter's Chains, 1369.**A.—WRIT OF SUMMONS.**

Sweteman Reg., fo. 5b.

Edwardus Dei gracia rex Anglie, dominus Hibernie et Aquitanie, venerabili in Christo patri Miloni eadem gracia archiepiscopo Ardmacano salutem. Quia quibusdam certis de causis nos ac communitatem terre nostre Hibernie, que perhostiles inuasiones Hibernicorum et rebellium nostrorum temporibus retroactis diuersimode sustinuit, specialiter concernentibus, et vt ei de remedio cum Dei adiutorio imposterum prouideatur oportuno, parliamentum nostrum apud Dubliniam vna vobiscum ac ceteris prelatis, magnatibus et proceribus terre nostre predicte, die lune proxima ante festum sancti Petri quod dicitur Ad Vincula proximo futurum, tenendum de assensu consilii nostri duximus ordinandum, et ideo vobis in fide et dilectione quibus nobis tenemini firmiter iniungendo mandamus quod dictis die et loco personaliter intersitis, vna cum dilecto et fideli nostro Willelmo de Wyndesore, locum nostrum tenente in terra nostra predicta, ac aliis supradictis, super premissis et hiis que ex parte nostra exponentur tunc ibidem tractaturi vestrumque consilium impensuri. Et hoc, sicut nos et honorem nostrum ac tranquilitatem terre nostre predicta diligitis, nullatenus omittatis. Et habeatis ibi tunc hoc breue. Teste Willelmo de Wyndesore, locum nostrum tenente in terra nostra Hibernie, apud Dubliniam, xvij^{mo} die Iunii, anno regni nostri quadragesimo tercio.

Per ipsum locum tenentem et consilium.

B.—APPOINTMENT OF PROCTORS.

Reference as A.

Pateat vniuersis per presentes quod nos, Milo, Dei et apostolice sedis gracia archiepiscopus Ardmacanus, Hibernie primas,

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18 June
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facimus, ordinamus et constituimus per presentes dilectos nobis in Christo magistrum Iohannem de Strode, rectorem ecclesie de Stagbanam, et Iohannem de Clyntone, dominum de Drumcasselle, nostros veros et legitimos procuratores ac attornatos, coniunctim et diuisim, ad interessendum nomine nostro cum excellenti domino, domino Willelmo de Wynsore, locum tenente domini nostri regis Anglie in Hibernia, et magnatibus et proceribus dicte terre sue Hibernie, die lune proxima ante festum sancti Petri quod dicitur Ad Vincula proximo futurum, apud Dubliniam, super quibusdam certis causis ipsum dominum nostrum regem ac communitatatem terre sue predicte, que¹ perhostiles inuasiones Hibernicorum et rebellium suorum temporibus retroactis diuersimode sustinuit, specialiter concernentibus, et hiis que ex parte sua exponentur tunc ibidem in parlimendo suo ibidem tenendo de assensu consilii sui ordinanda, tractaturos² et ex parte nostra consilium impensuros,³ breueque suum regium inde nobis directum exhibituros,⁴ et omnia alia et singula facienda, expedienda et exercenda que in persona propria faceremus si ibidem personaliter interesseremus, ratum et gratum habituri quicquid iidem procuratores et attornati nostri, seu eorum alter, fecerint seu fecerit in premissis et quolibet premissorum. In cuius rei testimonium sigillum nostrum presentibus est appensum. Datum apud Tarmefechyn, 27 July die xxvij^{mo} mensis Iulii, anno Domini M^{mo} ccc^{mo} lxix^{mo}.

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Parliament at Dublin, Monday before St. Peter's Chains, 1369.

GRANT OF CUSTOMS.

E. 101/245/4.

Edwardus Dei gracia rex Anglie et Francie et dominus Hibernie dilecto sibi Rogero de Luenes salutem. Quod, cum prelati, magnates ac communitates terre nostre Hibernie in parlimendo nostro apud Dubliniam, die lune proxima ante festum sancti Petri quod dicitur Ad Vincula proximo preteritum, coram dilecto et fideli nostro Willelmo de Wyndesore, locum nostrum tenente in terra nostra Hibernie, tento, de mandato nostro comparentes, pro saluacione et defensione terre nostre

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¹ Altered to 'quos' in error.

² MS. 'tractatur'.

³ MS. 'impensur.'

⁴ MS. 'exhibitur.'

⁵ Sic.

predicte, que per hibernicos inimicos et rebelles nostros dampna quamplurima diuersimode sustinuit, ac [ad] melioracionem pacis nostre reformandam, custumas subscriptas de bonis et mercimoniis venalibus subscriptis ac in nauibus in eadem terra carcandis decetero percipiendas nobis grataanter concesserint, nos de vestris legalitate et industria plenius confidentes assignauimus vos ad custumas in portu ciuitatis nostre Dublinie ac omnibus aliis portibus et locis maritimis in comitatibus Dublinie, Midie, Kildarie, Louethe et Vltonie vbi naues aliquae applicuerint vel ad piscem capiendum in mari interfuerint, tam infra libertates quam extra, in forma subscripta ad opus nostrum colligendas et recipiendas, videlicet :

De qualibet lasta allecium, iij. solidos; de qualibet centeno piscium magnorum, xij. denarios; de qualibet centeno piscium paruorum, vj. denarios; de qualibet doleo salmonum, iiiij. solidos; de qualibet pipa salmonum, ij. solidos; de qualibet doleo vini, vj. solidos, viii. denarios; de qualibet pipa vini, iij. solidos, iiiij. denarios; de qualibet librata carnium bouinarum, porcorum et ouium, vj. denarios; de qualibet weya frumenti, vj. solidos, viii. denarios; de qualibet weya brasei, fabarum, pisarum, ordei, silihinis et hastiuelli, v. solidos; de qualibet weya salis, vj. solidos, viii. denarios; de qualibet librata coriorum equorum, ceruorum, affrorum ac eciam pilfell' necnon pannorum lineorum et laneorum ac faldyng' et aliorum mercimoniorum quorumcumque, vj. denarios.

Et ideo vobis mandamus quod custumas predictas in forma predicta ad opus nostrum recipiatis, ita quod nobis inde ad scaccarium nostrum Hibernie aut alibi ad mandatum nostrum, prout iustum fuerit, respondeatis, et ad deputatos vestros, pro quibus respondere volueritis, sub sigillo vestro loco vestro deputare faciendos. Damus autem vicecomitibus, maioribus, senescallis, prepositis, balliis, seruientibus, ministris et omnibus aliis fidelibus nostris quorum interest, tenore presencium, in mandatis quod vobis in premissis faciendis et exequendis pareant et intendant et obedient, quociens et prout eis scire feceritis ex parte nostra.

In cuius rei testimonium has litteras nostras fieri fecimus patentes, teste Willelmo de Wyndesore, locum nostrum tenente in terra nostra Hibernie, viij^o die Augusti anno regni nostri Anglie quadragesimo tercio, regni vero nostri Francie tricesimo.

Council at Dublin, Morrow of Circumcision, 1370.

A.—WRIT OF SUMMONS, WITH NOTE OF ITS RECEIPT.

Sweteman Reg., fo. 5b-6a.

Copia breuis regii missi Miloni primati et recepti per eundem in aula manerii sui de Drummeskyn sue Ardmacane diocesis die ij^{do} mensis Decembris,¹ scilicet mercurii proxima post² January 1370 festum Circumcisionis Domini, anno eiusdem etc. lxix^{mo}, presentibus domino Thoma de Verdone, milite. Fratre Willelmo Fenley, priore domus sancti Leonardi de Dundalke, magistro Nicholao Bethe, Willelmo Vteratone, Willelmo Gernoun, Roberto Bethe et multis aliis, et hoc post horam nonam diei.

Edwardus Dei gracia rex Anglie et Francie et dominus Hibernie venerabili in Christo patri Ardmacano archiepiscopo salutem. Quibusdam certis de causis nos et statum terre nostre Hibernie intime concernentibus, vobis in fide et dileccione quibus nobis tenemini firmiter iniungendo mandamus quod, quacumque excusacione cessante, sitis in propria persona vestra vel per procuratorem ydoneum, qui potestatem sufficientem a vobis obtineat, ad tractandum² [et concordandum pro vobis et pro clero vestre] diocesis super hiis que, pro co[m]muni commodo [fidelium nostrorum terre predicte, apud Dubl]iniam, die mercurii proximo post festum Circumcisionis Domini proximo futurum, coram dilecto et fideli nostro Willelmo de Wyndesore, locum nostrum tenente in terra nostra Hibernie, exponentur, nobis in cancellaria nostra Hibernie de nomine eiusdem procuratoris sub sigillo vestro distinete et aperte ad diem predictum certificando cum hoc breui. Teste Willelmo de Wyndesore, locum nostrum tenente in terra nostra Hibernie, apud Dubliniam, xxix. die Decembris anno regni nostri Anglie xliij^{to}, regni vero nostri Francie tricesimo.

Per ipsum locum tenentem in terra Hibernie et consilium.

Thelwalle.

B.—RETURN NOTIFYING RECEIPT OF WRIT TOO LATE FOR COMPLIANCE.

Sweteman Reg., fo. 6a.

Retornum eiusdem brevis in dorso sub his verbis:

Istud breue adeo tarde nobis venit, quia in die mercurii

¹ Sic, for 'Januarii.'

² The top of fo. 6 is mutilated.

de quo fit mencio in ipso breui apud manerium nostrum de Drummeskyn post horam nonam, quod nec potuimus cum clero nostro tractare, nec personaliter accedere, nec procuratorem mittere, prout tenor ipsius breuis requirit.

Et sic respondet Milo, archiepiscopus Ardmacanus, Hibernie primas.

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Council at Dublin, Morrow of Circumcision, 1370.**A.—WRIT REQUIRING URGENT COLLECTION OF ECCLESIASTICAL SUBSIDY.**

Sweteman Reg., fo. 6a.

Edwardus Dei gracia rex Anglie et Francie et dominus Hibernie venerabili in Christo patri Miloni eadem gracia archiepiscopo Ardmacano salutem. Mandamus vobis firmiter iniungentes quod illos decem et octo denarios de qualibet librata beneficiorum ecclesiasticorum iuxta taxas eorundem, per vos et clerum vestre diocesis ad opus dilecti et fidelis nostri Willelmi de Wyndesore, locum nostrum tenentis in terra nostra Hibernie, gratanter concessos, sine dilacione leuari faciatis, ita quod summa predicta eidem locum nostrum tenenti, ut premitur, concessa citra festum Purificacionis beate Marie proximum futurum fideliter persoluatur. Teste Willelmo de Wyndesore, locum nostrum tenente in terra nostra Hibernie, apud Dubliniam, 2 February 1370
13 January 1370

xiii. die Ianuarii anno regni nostri Anglie quadragesimo tercio, regni vero nostri Francie tricesimo.

Per consilium. Thelwalle.¹

Venerabili in Christo patri archiepiscopo Ardmacano pro Willelmo de Wyndesore, locum tenente in Hibernia.

B.—WRIT REQUIRING CONTRIBUTIONS TO ECCLESIASTICAL SUBSIDY TO BE ENFORCED BY SPIRITUAL CENSURES.

Reference as A.

Edwardus Dei gracia rex Anglie et Francie et dominus Hibernie venerabili in Christo patri Miloni eadem gracia archiepiscopo Ardmacano salutem. Mandamus vobis firmiter

¹ MS. 'Thelwalk.'

iniungentes quod dilectos nobis in Christo abbatem de Mellyffont, priorem Hospitalis sancti Iohannis Ierusalem in Hibernia, abbatem domus beate Marie de Dublinia et abbatem de Viridi Ligno, ad satisfaciendum vobis ad opus dilecti et fidelis nostri Willelmi de Wyndesore, locum nostrum tenentis in terra nostra Hibernie, de qualibet librata beneficiorum suorum ecclesiastorum, iuxta taxas eorundem infra diocesim vestram, de decem et octo denariis, iuxta concessionem per vos ac clerum eiusdem diocesis ultimo factam, per censuras ecclesiasticas compellatis, ita quod summe ipsos inde, ut premittitur, contingentes eidem locum nostrum tenenti citra festum Purificacionis beate Marie ² February proximum futurum fideliter persoluantur. Teste Willelmo de Wyndesore, locum nostrum tenente in terra nostra Hibernie, apud Dubliniam, xiiij. die Ianuarii anno regni nostri Anglie ¹³ January quadragesimo tercio, regni vero nostri Francie tricesimo. ¹³⁷⁰

Per consilium. Thelwalle.¹

Venerabili in Christo patri archiepiscopo Ardmacano pro Willelmo de Wyndesore, locum tenente in Hibernia.

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Great Council at Dublin, Morrow of Low Sunday, 1370.

APPOINTMENT OF PROCTORS.²

Sweteman Reg., fo. 66.

Pateat vniuersis per presentes quod nos, Milo, Dei et apostolice sedis gratia archiepiscopus Ardmacanus, Hibernie primas, facimus, ordinamus et constituimus per presentes dilectos nobis in Christo magistrum Iohannem de Strode, rectorem ecclesie de Staghban nostre Ardmacane diocesis, et []³ nostros veros et legitimos procuratores ac attornatos, coniunctim et diuisim, ad interessendum cum excellenti domino, domino Willelmo de Wyndesore, locum tenente domini nostri regis Anglie in Hibernia, die lune in crastino Clausi Pasche proximo futuro, apud Dubliniam, super quibusdam certis causis ipsum ^{22 April 1370}

¹ MS. 'Thelwalk.'

² This document is headed: 'Copia littere pro attornatis pro supradicto consilio.' The writ has not, however, been entered in the blank space preceding all that has been written, now mutilated, of which nothing except the date of meeting can be read.

³ A space has been left for a second name.

dominum nostrum regem et statum terre sue Hibernie intime concerentibus tractaturi,¹ et ex parte nostra consilium impensuri,² et ad omnia alia et singula facienda, expedienda et exercenda que in propria persona faceremus³ si ibidem personaliter interessemus, ratum et gratum habituri quicquid iidem procuratores nostri, seu alter eorum, fecerint vel fecerit in premissis et quolibet premissorum. In cuius rei testimonium sigillum nostrum presentibus est appensum. Datum apud Tarmefechyn, die sabbati proxima ante Clausum Pasche, anno Domini M^oCCC^m septuagesimo.

20 April
1370

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Great Council at Dublin, Morrow of Low Sunday, 1370.

A.—WRIT FOR COLLECTION OF ECCLESIASTICAL SUBSIDY.

Sweteman Reg., fo. 10a.⁴

Edwardus Dei gracia rex Anglie et Francie et dominus Hibernie venerabili in Christo patri Miloni eadem gracia archiepiscopo Ardmacano salutem. Cum vos et ceteri prelati⁵ terre nostre Hibernie temporalia optinentes, in magno consilio nostro apud Dubliniam in crastino Clausi Pasche proximo preterito de mandato [*nostro*⁶] comparentes, considerata magna necessitate dicte terre et vtili expedicione dilecti et fidelis nostri Willelmi de Wyndesore, locum nostrum tenentis in terra nostra predicta, ac manutenencia sancte matris ecclesie, de temporalibus vestris libera auctoritate vestra concesseritis de qualibet carucata terre culte de temporalibus que vos et alii prelati predicti optinetis, et [*sicut solueri consuetum est ibidem*] temporibus retroactis per vos ac ipsos [*prelatos*] percipiende, [*vnam marcam argenti, ita quod*⁷] liberi tenentes, gauillarii [*et*] betagii vestri in ipsa concessione in reueacionem ipsorum prelatorum contineantur et non alio modo onerentur hac vice,

¹ MS. 'tractatur'.

² Sic.

³ MS. 'feceremus.'

⁴ The beginning of this entry is much effaced, and Bishop Reeves's transcript of it, although helpful, is manifestly inaccurate. We have recorded those readings of his which we have been unable to follow. No. 25 E indicates the correct readings in some places.

⁵ Reeves: 'prelati [et proceres].'

⁶ Reeves: 'mandato [] inter.'

⁷ Reeves: 'sicut solvere consuevistis ibidem temporibus retroactis per vos ac ipsos concessos percipiendum super una marca sterlingorum . . .'

et ministri vestri ac eorundem prelatorum de crocea¹ se intro-
mittant de leuacione denariorum predictorum, ac insuper
vos et ceteri prelati, quantum in vobis est, ex parte cleri, habito
ad hoc primitus eorum consensu, eidem locum nostrum tenenti
concesseritis de beneficiis subditorum vestrorum in Hibernia
taxatis, non destructis, duas decimas iuxta papalem currentem
et consuetam taxam, in subsidium dicte guerre, soluendas
tam predictam marcam quam dictas duas decimas infra annum
a tempore concessionis huiusmodi ad festa sancti Petri quod 1 August
dicitur Ad Vincula et Purificacionis beate Marie proximo 1370
sequencia per equales porciones. Et quia per vos ac ceteros
prelatos supradictos concessiones vestre predicte sub hac forma
facte et limitate fuerint, videlicet quod prelati, vt predictur,²
dictam marcam, per ministros suos, et cleris decimas sic con-
cessas, per clericos a loci ordinario deputandos, per breue
regium dictis prelatis super hoc dirigendum coligant et leuari
faciant, soluendas dictis³ certis personis per dictum locum
tenentem deputandis in diocesibus eorum per indenturas inter
ipsos collectores et sic deputandos de huiusmodi solucione
faciendas, pro vt in concessionibus vestrnis predictis plenius
continetur, vobis mandamus quod ministros sufficientes infra
croceam vestrā ad dictam marcam de qualibet carucata terre
culte temporalium vestrorum ac liberorum tenencium, gauellar-
iorum et betagiorum vestrorum iuxta concessionem supradictam
assignare et deputare ac in forma predicta soluere faciat, ac
insuper conuocationem siue concilium de toto clero vestro,
cum ea celeritate qua fieri poterit, fieri faciat, vt ipsi con-
sensum suum in ea parte prebeant ex causa vrgentis necessi-
tatis supradicte, et de eo quod inde per vos ac ceteros de clero
vestro supradicto in conuocatione et concilio predicto factum
fuerit, ac de nominibus collectorum per vos in ea parte deputa-
torum, nobis in cancellaria nostra Hibernie citra quindenam 8 July
sancti Iohannis Baptiste proximo futuram sub sigillo vestro
distincte et aperte sine dilacione certificetis, hoc breue nobis
remittentes. Teste Willelmo de Wyndesore, locum nostrum
tenente in terra nostra Hibernie, apud Dubliniam, vicesimo
sesto die Aprilis anno regni nostri Anglie quadragesimo iiiij^{to}, 26 April
regni vero nostri Francie tricesimo primo.

Thelwalle.

¹ Reeves : 'in diocesi.' The manuscript clearly reads 'de crocea.'

² Reeves inserts 'in,' which is not in the manuscript. ³ Reeves omits 'dictis.'

B.—RETURN TO WRIT.

Reference as A.

Virtute istius breuis fecimus collectores de qualibet carucata terre culte in crocea¹ nostra ad colligendum et soluendum in forma pro vt hoc breue requirit, et eciam conuocari fecimus, totum clerum nostrum inter Anglicos, qui concesserunt soluere duas decimas de beneficiis suis taxatis, non destructis, iuxta papalem currentem et consuetam taxam, pro vt hoc breue requirit, preter abbatem de Melifonte, abbatem domus beate Marie iuxta Dubliniam et priorem domus Hospitalis sancti Iohannis de Ierusalem in Hibernia, qui, licet coram nobis citati fuerunt, non comparuerunt. Et nomina collectorum predicatorum patent in cedula huic breui consuta.

Sic respondet Milo archiepiscopus Ardmacanus, Hibernie primas.

C.—SCHEDULE GIVING NAMES OF COLLECTORS.

Sweteman Reg., fo. 10b.²

..... m videlicet in baroniis de Atrio Dei et B . . . [et] in baroniis de Louethe, Dundalke et Coly, Rogerus Pomerelle et Rogerus Perotes, Iohannes B . . . , Iohannes Wolffe et Iohannes Whyt de Coly. Et nomina collectorum in Midia in baroniis [de . . . et] Margallyn ad predictam marcam colligendam et soluendam, Stephanus Cor, Iohannes Bernard [et] Thomas Duffe. Nomina collectorum de decimis in dicto breui contentis leuandis et soluendis, videlicet in decanatu de Atrio Dei, dominus Thomas Condlach,³ vicarius de Kylmodymoke, in decanatu de Drogda, dominus Iohannes Bagote, vicarius de Port, et in decanatu de Dundalke, Willelmus Galwey.

D.—COMMISSION TO LEVY SUBSIDY ON BENEFICES.

Reference as C.

Commissio ad leuandum subsidium ex parte cleri directa vicario de Kylmodymoke.

Milo, Dei et apostolice sedis gracia archiepiscopus Ardmacanus, Hibernie primas, dilecto nobis domino Thome Condellagh,

¹ Reeves reads 'diocesi' incorrectly.

² The top of the folio is mutilated. This had already taken place in the time of Bishop Reeves, but some few words have been recovered with the assistance of his transcript.

³ Corrected from 'Conchlach.'

perpetuo vicario ecclesie parochialis de Kylmodymoke nostre Ardmacane diocesis, salutem, graciam et benedictionem. Ad colligendum, leuandum et recipiendum a quibuscumque beneficiis subditorum nostrorum in decanatu de Atrio Dei diocesis nostre, taxatis et non destructis, duas decimas iuxta papalem currentem et consuetam taxam concessas in magno consilio apud Dubliniam in crastino Clausi Pasche proximo preterito ^{22 April} ₁₃₇₀ excellenti domino, domino Willelmo de Wyndesore, locum tenenti domini nostri regis Anglie in Hibernia, soluendas in terra sua Hibernie deputando ex parte eiusdem locum tenentis ad recipiendum dictas duas decimas, per indenturas inter huiusmodi deputandum et vos de solutionibus faciendis¹ confectas seu conficiendas, in termino in breui regio inde nobis directo, cuius copia presentibus est anexa, memorato, ex causa in ipso breui contenta, et contra non soluēntes per censuras ecclesie procedendum, acquietancias de receptis, vt iuste fuerit, faciendas, ac omnia alia exercenda premissa concernentia, pro vt in tenore breuis regii predicti plenius continetur, vobis potestatem et vices nostras committimus per presentes. In cuius rei testimonium sigillum nostrum presentibus est apposatum. Datum in ciuitate nostra Ardm[acie], die ultimo ^{30 June} ₁₃₇₀ mensis Iunii anno Domini M^oc^{cc}m^o lxx^{mo}.

E.—COMMISSION TO LEVY SUBSIDY ON CROSSLANDS.

Reference as C.

Commissio alia virtute dicti breuis directa laicis ad leuandum subsidium.

Milo, Dei et apostolice sedis gratia archiepiscopus Ardmacanus, Hibernie primas, dilecto nobis Thome Duffe de Rathode in baronia de Margalyn salutem, graciam et benedictionem. Ad colligendum, leuandum et recipiendum a liberis tenentibus, gauellariis et betagiis nostris de tenemento de le Nobyr et in baronia de Margalyn croceee nostre ibidem vnam marcam argenti de qualibet carucata terre eorum culte concessam excellenti domino, domino Willelmo de Wyndesore, locum tenenti domini nostri regis Anglie in terra sua Hibernie, in magno consilio apud Dubliniam in crastino Clausi Pasche ^{22 April} ₁₃₇₀ proximo preterito, ex causa in breui domini nostri regis predicti

¹ MS. inserts 'et' before 'confectas.'

nobis inde directo contenta, cuius copia presentibus est anexa, tradendam [*et*] soluendam, in terminis in eodem breui contentis, certis personis per dictum locum tenentem deputandis per indenturas inter vos et huiusmodi deputandos de huiusmodi solucione recipienda conficiendas et confectas, penes vos retinendas, non solum sicut esque distingendos, ceteraque facienda in premissis et circa premissa que huiusmodi collectores ex parte nostra deputati virtute dicti breuis et mandati nostri facere poterint¹ vobis potestatem et vices nostras committimus per presentes. In cuius rei testimonium sigillum nostrum presentibus est appensum. Datum in ciuitate nostra Ardm[*achie*] die ultimo mensis Iunii anno Domini M^{mo} CCC^{mo} lxx^{mo}.

30 June
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Parliament at Kilkenny, Morrow of Epiphany, 1371.

A—WRIT OF SUMMONS.

Sweteman Reg., fo. 20a.

Edwardus Dei gracia rex Anglie et Francie et dominus Hibernie venerabili in Christo patri Miloni eadem gracia archiepiscopo Ardmacano salutem. Quia quibusdam certis de causis nos ac communitatem terre nostre Hibernie, que perhostiles inuasiones Hibernicorum et rebellium nostrorum dampna quamplurima diuersimode sustinuit, specialiter concernentibus, et vt ei de remedio cum Dei adiutorio prouideatur oportuno, parliamentum nostrum apud Kylkenniam, vna vobiscum ac ceteris prelatis, magnatibus et proceribus terre nostre predicte, in crastino Epiphanie Domini proximo futuro tenendum; de assensu consilii nostri duximus ordinandum. Et ideo vobis in fide et dilectione quibus nobis tenemini firmiter iniungendo mandamus quod vos ipsi in propria persona vestra, vna cum procuratoribus sufficienter pro decano et capitulo ecclesie vestre cathedralis Ardmacane ac ceteris de clero vestre diocesis postestatem sufficientem optinentibus de mandato vestro constituendis, in crastino supradicto ibidem intersitis ad tractandum et concordandum super hiis que coram dilecto et fideli nostro Willelmo de Wyndesore, locum nostrum tenente in terra nostra Hibernie, ex parte nostra exponentur tunc ibidem. Et

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¹ MS. ‘poterunt.’

hoc, sicut pacem et tranquillitatem terre nostre predicte diligitis, nullatenus omittatis. Et habeatis ibi tunc nomina procuratorum predictorum vna cum hoc breui. Teste Willelmo de Wyndesore, locum nostrum tenente in terra nostra Hibernie, apud Adare, primo die Nouembris anno regni nostri Anglie 1 November 1370 quadragesimo quarto, regni vero nostri Francie tricesimo primo.

Per locum tenentem et consilium.

B—APPOINTMENT OF PROCTORS.

Reference as A.

Pateat vniuersis per presentes quod nos, Milo, Dei et apostolice sedis gracia archiepiscopus Ardmacanus, Hibernie primas, pro nobis et clero diocesis nostre facimus, ordinamus et constituimus dilectos nobis in Christo Rogerum Gernoun et Robertum Gilys, coniunctim et diuisim, nostros veros et legitimos procuratores ad interessendum nomine nostro coram nobili viro, domino Willelmo de Wyndesore,¹ milite, locum tenente regis Anglie in Hibernia, ceterisque prelatis, magnatibus et proceribus eiusdem terre apud Kylkenniam in crastino Epiphanie Domini proximo 7 January 1371 futuro super quibusdam certis² causis dominum nostrum regem ac communitatem terre sue Hibernie, que perhostiles inuasionses Hibernicorum et rebellium suorum dampna quamplurima diuersimode sustinuit, specialiter concernentibus, in parlemento suo ibidem tunc tenendo ad tractandum et concordandum super hiis que coram dicto domino Willelmo [de] Wyndesore, locum tenente, vt prefertur, tunc ibidem exponentur, ratum et gratum habituri quicquid iidem procuratores nostri, seu eorum alter, nomine nostro fecerint seu fecerit in premissis et quolibet premissorum. In cuius rei testimonium sigillum nostrum est appensum. Datum apud manerium nostrum de Dromeskyn, die secundo mensis Ianuarii anno Domino M^{mo} CCC^{mo} LXX^{mo}.

2 January
1371.

C—RETURN TO WRIT.

Reference as A.¹

Milo archiepiscopus Ardmacanus in propria persona sua ad diem et locum in hoc breui contentos, prout hoc breue requirit,

¹ MS. "Wynsore." ² MS. inserts 'de' before 'causis'.

¹ The lower right-hand corner of the folio is mutilated: Bishop Reeves's transcript, however, has enabled a few words to be restored.

interesse non potest, propter litis dependenciam que a diu est in curia Romana [*inter*] ipsum et venerabilem fratrem suum archiepiscopum Dublinensem super baiulacione crucis sue ac [*iure*] primacie in prouincia Dublinensi per ipsum faciendis et exercendis.

Dignetur vestra excellencia regia in premissis et eorum quolibet ipsum [hac] vice habere excusatum.

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Parliament at Cashel, Octave of Trinity, 1371.

WRIT OF SUMMONS.

Sweteman Reg., fo. 8a,

Edwardus Dei gracia rex Anglie et Francie et dominus Hibernie venerabi in Christo patri Miloni eadem gracia archiepiscopo Ardmacano salutem. Quia quibusdam certis de causis nos ac communitatem terre nostre Hibernie, que per hostiles inuasiones hibernicorum inimicorum et rebellium nostrorum dampna quamplurima diuersimode sustinuit, specialiter concernentibus, vt ei de remedio cum Dei adiutorio prouideatur oportuno, parliamentum nostrum apud Casselle vna vobiscum ac ceteris prelatis, magnatibus et proceribus terre nostre predicte in octabis sancte Trinitatis proximo futuris tenendum, de assensu, ordinacione et requisitione prelatorum, magnatum et aliorum ad quoddam magnum consilium nostrum apud Balydoille conuocatorum, duximus ordinandum. Et ideo vobis in fide et dileccione quibus nobis tenemini firmiter iniungendo mandamus quod vos ipsi in propria persona vestra, vna cum procuratoribus sufficientibus pro decano et capitulo ecclesie vestre cathedralis Ardmaçane ac ceteris de clero vestre diocesis potestatem sufficientem optinentibus de mandato vestro constituendis, quacumque excusacione cessante, ibidem intersitis ad tractandum et concordandum super hiis que coram dilecto et fideli nostro Willelmo de Wyndesore, locum nostrum tenente in terra nostra Hibernie, pro saluo et seculo regimine ac communi commodo fidelium nostrorum terre predicte exponentur tunc ibidem. Et hoc, sicut pacem et tranquillitatem terre nostre predicte diligitis, nullatenus omittatis, scientes pro certo quod, habito respectu

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ad urgentem necessitatem, vnde dictum parliamentum, ut premittitur, fecimus summoneri, procuratorem aliquem pro persona vestra aut ceteris prelatis ibidem conuocatis ad diem supradictum, ad requisicionem dictorum magnatum, admittere nullatenus intendimus quoquismodo. Et habeatis ibi tunc hoc breve. Teste Willemo de Wyndesore, locum nostrum tenente in terra nostra Hibernie, apud Balydoille, xxv. die Aprilis anno regni nostri Anglie quadragesimo quinto, regni vero nostri Francie tricesimo secundo.

25 April
1371

Per ipsum locum tenentem et consilium.

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Parliaments and Councils of 1370 and 1371.

WILLIAM OF WINDSOR'S ACCOUNT OF THE PROCEEDINGS.

E.368/144 (46 Edward III), Recorda, Trinity Term, m.16.¹

Hibernia. De Stephano Lymericensi episcopo, thesaurario Hibernie, et Willemo, nuper locum regis tenente ibidem, occasionatis² de quibusdam summis.

Memorandum quod dominus rex nunc, per litteras suas patentes datas xxv^{to}, die Maii anno regni sui quadragesimo secundo, irrotulatas in originalibus de eodem anno rotulo xiiij^o, commisit venerabili patri Stephano episcopo Lymericensi officium thesaurarii scaccarii Hibernie cum omnibus ad officium illud pertinentibus custodiendum quamdiu eidem domino regi placeret, ita quod de exitibus eiusdem thesaurarie dicto domino regi responderet et inde ad scaccarium Anglie compotum redderet.³ Per quod mandatum fuit Willemo de Wyndesore, locum domini regis tenenti in terra Hibernie, quod dstringeret prefatum episcopum per terras etc., ita etc., hic a die Pasche proximo preterito in xv. dies ad reddendum regi compotum de exitibus thesaurarie predicte. Et mandatum fuit baronibus dicti scaccarii Hibernie quod vnum de camerariis de dicto scaccario Hibernie mitterent hic ad predictam xv^{am}, cum contrarotulis de recepta et exitu eiusdem thesaurarie de tempore quo dictus

25 May
1368

11 April
1372

¹ The earlier part of this entry is also to be found on E.159/148: the variant readings are of no importance.

² MS.: occasionatus.

³ For this commission, see *Abbreviatio Rotulorum Originalium*, II, 297b., *Foedera*, III, 847.

episcopus fuit thesaurarius ibidem, ad onerandum prefatum thesaurarium versus regem in premissis et ad ulterius faciendum quod ad officium contrarotulatōris pertinet in hac parte.

5 June
1372 Et ad dictam xv^{am} predicti locum tenens, thesaurarius et barones non retornarunt brevia, nec prefatus thesaurarius aut aliquis camerarius venit. Set postmodum, videlicet quinto die Iunii hoc termino, predictus episcopus venit per Dauid Penlyne, attornatum suum. Et liberauit hic duos rotulos, videlicet vnum de grossa recepta dicti scaccarii Hibernie de terminis sancti Michaelis et sancti Hillarii anno xliij^{to}, et [de] terminis Pasche et Trinitatis, Michaelis et sancti Hillarii anno xliij^o, et de terminis Pasche, Trinitatis, Michaelis et sancti Hillarii anno xliij^{to}, et de terminis Pasche et sancte Trinitatis anno xlvt^o regis nunc, et alterum de exitu eiusdem scaccarii de eisdem terminis et annis. Et predicti barones retornarunt hic breue sibi directum in premissis, et miserunt Robertum de Eure, capitalem camerarium scaccarii predicti, cum contrarotulis tam de recepta quam de exitu thesaurarie predicte de toto tempore predicto.

3 July
1372 Et super hoc venerabilis pater Thomas, episcopus de Lussemore in Hibernia, venit coram baronibus hic et petit inspecionem rotulorum predictorum pro commido domini regis, et concessum est ei. Et predicti duo rotuli de recepta et exitu, quos predicti barones miserunt hic, liberantur prefato episcopo tercio die Iulii hoc termino de precepto thesaurarii et baronum ad insciendum etc.

5 July
1372 Postea, videlicet quinto die Iulii proximo sequenti, prefatus Thomas episcopus venit hic in propria persona sua, et dicit quod ipse inspexit rotulos predictos, et quod, ad parliamentum tentum apud Dubliniam in crastino Clausi Pasche anno xliij^{to} regis nunc, quoddam subsidium de xij. solidis, iij. denariis, de qualibet carucata terre culta in terra Hibernie et due decime de clero concessa fuerunt domino regi in Hibernia, in expedicionem guerre sue in terra predicta ; et ad parliamentum tentum apud Kilkenniam in crastino Epiphanie Domini eodem anno xliij^{to}, M¹M¹M¹ libre¹; et ad parliamentum tentum apud Balidowille in crastino² sancte Trinitatis anno xlvt^o regis nunc, M¹M¹ libre ; et in aliquibus comitatibus de qualibet carucata

¹ *Milia* appears throughout to be treated as an indeclinable adjective.

² *Recte 'octabie,' i.e. 8 June.*

terre culta dimidia marca, et in quibusdam comitatibus x. solidi, et de clero quorundem comitatum vna decima, et de clero aliorum comitatum vna decima et dimidia, concessi fuerunt dicto domino regi per dictos Hibernicos in expeditionem guerre predicte. Et quod Hibernici concesserunt domino regi pro fine et amerciamento de O'Brien et Makunmarre mille vaccas. Et quod Makarthe Karbraghe concessit domino regi centum et quadraginta vaccas. Et quod Machunmurge de Kensleye concessit eidem domino regi centum vaccas. Et quod Iohannes de Rupe de Rour forisfecit dicto domino regi, et habuit die quo forisfecit ccc. vaccas que pertinent eidem domino regi tanquam catalla felonum. Et dicit quod prefatus thesaurarius non oneratur in dicto rotulo de recepta, de subsidio et decimis, v. milia libris, neque de vaccis predictis, per quod petit pro domino rege quod domino regi inde respondeatur etc.

Super quo dictus attornatus, per barones allocutus, dicit quod ipse non est informatus ad respondendum nec aliquam noticiam inde habet. Et super hoc prefatus camerarius presens etc., iuratus de veritate dicenda, dicit quod subsidium, decime et v. milia libre predicta concessa fuerunt domino regi, et quod id quod inde leuatum est Willelmus de Wyndesore, locum tenens dicti domini regis in dicta terra Hibernie, recepit et habuit, absque eo quod prefatus thesaurarius quicquam inde recepit vel habuit. Et quo ad dictas vaccas, quia predictus thesaurarius nichil alegat quin ipse de vaccis illis regi responderet debet, consideratum est quod idem thesaurarius de vaccis illis in compoto suo de exitu thesaurarie predicte versus regem oneretur, et quod dictus attornatus ammoueatur, et quod dictus episcopus veniat in propria persona sua ad computandum etc.¹

Et prefatus episcopus de Lussemore dicit quod prefatus Willelmus de Wyndesore habuit ex dono, nomine rewardi, de denariis domini regis in dicta terra Hibernie cclv. libras, et quod idem Willelmus constituit Iacobum de Pykeryng, militem, iusticiarum in dicta terra Hibernie et concessit eidem Iacobo annuatim, nomine feodi, xl. libras, et quod idem Iacobus habuit ex dono ultra feodium predictum vna vice, xliij. libras

¹ In margine: 'Oneretur thesaurarius de vaccis: In rotulo ix^o regis Ricard secundi in Londoniis'.

et, alia vice, cx. solidos et, tercia vice, l. libras. Et petit quod predictus Willelmus examinetur inde et respondeat etc.

Et quidam Ricardus de Wynchedone de comitatu de Cork venit coram baronibus et dicit quod predictus Willelmus de Wyndesore, locum tenens, leuauit de communitate comitatus de Cork c. libras pro trescentis vaccis et xv. quarteria frumenti, precii cuiuslibet quarterii x. solidos, et xv. quarteria auenarum, precii cuiuslibet quarterii v. solidos. Et quod communitas visneti de Muscridonegan in eodem comitatu finem fecit cum eodem Willelmo pro xx. libris quod plus de eis non leuaret.

Et quidam Willelmus de Sandhulle de Waterford dicit pro domino rege quod predictus Willelmus de Wyndesore leuauit de communitate comitatus de Waterford c. marcas pro vaccis et huiusmodi animalibus.

Et petunt separatis quod prefatus Willelmus veniat ad respondendum etc. Ideo concordatum est quod predictus Willelmus veniat ad respondendum etc.

Responsio Willelmi de Wyndesore.

Et predictus Willelmus de Wyndesore venit in propria persona sua. Et recitatis ei articulis predictis, quo ad subsidium de xij. solidis, iij. denariis, concessum de qualibet carucata terre culta et predictas duas decimas concessas, ad dictum parliamentum tentum apud Dubliniam in crastino Clausi Pasche dicto anno xlivij^{to}, dicit quod subsidium et decime illa concessa fuerunt eidem Willelmo vt locum tenenti domini regis in dicta terra Hibernie, pro eo quod ipse deberet, in roboracione guerrarum in dictis partibus Hibernie, ad requisicionem et per ausamentum prelatorum, dominorum et communitatum eiusdem terre, retinere in secundo anno more sue ad retinenciam suam hominum de arma et sagittariorum in indentura sua primi anni comprehensorum, estimando dictum subsidium attingere ad M¹M¹M¹M¹ libras, ita quod cum vj. milia libris quas idem Willelmus caperet de domino rege, pro dicto secundo anno, simul cum predictis M¹M¹M¹M¹ libris, idem Willelmus solueretur de x. milia libris, veluti in primo anno, ad soluendum feoda et vadia retinencie sue predicte. Et dicit quod subsidium et decime predicta se non extendeant nisi ad M¹c¹c¹c¹iiij^{xx} xij. libras, ix. solidos, vj. denarios, obolum,

qui soluti fuerunt pro feodis et vadiis diuersorum hominum ad arma et sagittariorum, ultra retinenciam suam secundi anni indentura sua contentam, retentorum, prout ostensum erat coram venerabilibus patribus episcopis de Clone et de Lesmore et aliis electis auditoribus per dictam terram Hibernie ad quoddam parliamentum tentum apud Kilkenny per viam compoti.

Et quo ad dictas M^mM^m libras concessas ad parliamentum tentum apud Kilkenny in crastino Epiphanie Domini supra dicto anno xluiij^{to}, idem Willelmus dicit quod ad idem parliamentum, post capcionem comitis de Desmond, in reueamen parcium de Mounster per inimicos hibernicos antea destruc-
tarum, ipse monstrauit coram prelatis, dominis et communi-
tate dicte terre Hibernie in parlimendo predicto existenti-
bus, qualiter et quo modo xx. milia libre quas ipse recepit de
thesauro domini regis in Anglia expendebantur in diuersis
guerris parcium de Leynester et Mounster, et quod predicti
xiiij. solidi, iiiij. denarii, concessi de qualibet carucata terre
cultu et decime predicte se non extendebat nisi ad M^ccccc
iij^{xx} libras, ix. solidos, vij. denarios, obolum, et quo modo
expendebantur, et quod de predictis xx. milia libris asportatis
extra regnum Anglie de thesauro dicti domini regis nihil
remanebat. Predicti prelati, domini et communitates in eodem
parlimendo concesserunt pro feodis et vadiis de retinencia
predicti Willelmi, pro ingenti necessitate quam tunc habebat
in defensione guerrarum predictarum, vsque ad festum Natiuitatis
sancti Iohannis Baptiste tunc proximo sequens, M^mM^m²⁴ libras per viam subsidii, ad leuandum per collectores suos
proprios in recompensionem aurum dicti domini regis ad
eorum ordinacionem et requisicionem pro saluacione dicte terre
Hibernie ante expenditi.

Et quo ad M^mM^m libras concessas ad parlianientum tentum
apud Balidoyl in crastino² sancte Trinitatis dicto anno xlvi^{to},
idem Willelmus dicit quod in festo Pasche proximo sequenti⁶
post dictum parliamentum de Kilkenny, ipso Willelmo exis-
tente et morante super guerras apud Casselle, conuenire fecit
et conuocare diuersos magnates dicte terre Hibernie, qui in
partibus proximis extiterunt et melius ad ipsum venire potuer-
unt, et monstrauit eis qualiter de dicto subsidio de M^mM^m
libris parum ad tunc extitit solutum, per quod gentes sue

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¹ Sic.

² See p. 40, n. 2.

grauem inopiam sustinuerunt et se non potuerunt super forma predicta absque solucione vadiorum suorum continere, et requisiuit dictos magnates quod ipsi super illo inuicem consiliarent quid inde esset faciendum. Qui quidem magnates inuicem dixerunt quod, absque parlamendo in quo omnes prelati, magnates et communitates dicte terre Hibernie essent congregata, ipsi de materia predicta consilium dare noluerunt. Et sic idem Willelmus ad eorum requisitionem, per ausimentum consilii et per brevia domini regis, summoniri fecit quoddam parliamentum apud Kassen¹ in octabis sancte Trinitatis tunc proximo sequentibus, pro eo quod de partibus illis propter guerras ibidem ipsi nullo modo abinde recedere potuerunt, in quo parlamendo sic congregato idem Willelmus dictam materiam proposuit predictis prelatis, dominis et communitatibus, eorum consilium in hac parte rogando. Et similiter idem Willelmus monstrauit eisdem litteras domini regis in quibus continebatur quod, consideratis inmensis misis et expensis quas ipsum dominum regem pro saluacione regni Anglie facere oporteret et quibusdam aliis causis ibidem contentis, idem dominus rex aliquos denarios ad tunc prefato Willelmo commode transmittere non potuit prout vellet, [ei] mandauit eidem Willelmo quod, per consideracionem necessitatis, idem Willelmus super gubernacione et saluacione ac recuperacione dicte terre Hibernie faceret bonum quod posset, ad honorem et proficuum dicti domini regis, per auxilium quod idem Willelmus commode habere potuit de exitibus et reuencionibus dicte terre Hibernie et aliter de concessione magnatum et aliorum ligeorum domini regis ibidem. Quibus litteris perfectis et per ligeos dicte terre ad dictum parliamentum congregatis intellectis, iidem ligei, pro saluacione dicte terre Hibernie et pro manutenencia guerre predicte et retinencie hominum ad arma et sagittariorum usque ad festum Omnia Sanctorum proximo sequens, concesserunt M¹M¹ libras. Et pro eo quod maior pars dictarum M¹M¹M¹ librarum concessarum apud Kilkenny non erat ad tunc leuata, iidem ligei ordinauerunt quod predicte M¹M¹ libre simul cum predicta summa de M¹M¹M¹ libris a retro existentibus meliori modo quo fieri posset leuarentur et soluerentur prefato Willelmo pro sustentacione retinencie predicte. Et sic per ausimentum dictorum prelatorum et magnatum erant predicte summe

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¹ Sic. The place is undoubtedly Cashel: see above, no. 27.

diuise inter dioceses, comitatus, ciuitates et villas, assignando cuilibet diocesi, comitatui, ciuitati et ville proportionaliter porciones suas secundum afferenciam per ratam. De quibus quidem $M^1M^1M^1$ libris concessis ad parliamentum de Kilkenny et M^1M^1 libris concessis apud Balidoyl idem Willelmus non recepit nisi ad summam de M^1M^1 Dccclv. libris, iiiij. solidis, obolo.

Et quo ad hoc imponitur ei quod ipse recepit de aliquibus comitatibus de qualibet carucata terre culta dimidiā marcam, et in aliis comitatibus x. solidos, et de clero quorundam comitatuum vnam decimam, et de clero aliorum comitatuum vnam decimam et dimidiā, idem Willelmus dicit quod predicta dimidia marca concessa non fuit per impositionem ipsius Willelmi nec per extorcionem neque generaliter per totam dictam terram Hibernie, set specialiter per quosdam certos comitatus, sua spontanea voluntate, ratione occasionis cuiusdam hibernici inimici domini regis vocati Gerard Keuenaghe et per Hibernicos vocati 'rex de Leyenster' et aliorum sibi adherencium, per quos dicti comitatus de die in diem extiterunt guerrati et multipliciter agrauati. Et sic dicit quod ipse predictam dimidiā marcam recepit, per quod non intendit quod ipse inde beatim impetrari.

Et quo ad predictos x. solidos et vnam decimam et aliam decimam et dimidiā, idem Willelmus nichil inde recepit, et hoc paratus est verificare etc.

Et quo ad hoc quod imponitur ei quod ipse habuit ex dono, nomine rewardi, cclv. libras, idem Willelmus dicit quod ad parliamentum tentum apud Kilkenny per ausimentum prelatorum, dominorum et communitatū dicte terre Hibernie, certi auditores assignati fuerunt ad recipiendum compotum de dicto Willelmo de dictis marcis et duabus decimis, qualiter dicte summe expendite fuerunt, et inter quos episcopi de Clone et Lesmore electi fuerunt; et compertum fuit coram eis quod prefatus Willelmus extitit in superplusagio de predictis cclv. libris, prout pleniū apparere poterit per rotulos cancellarie ibidem. Et super hoc per ausimentum dictorum prelatorum et communitatū ordinatum extitit quod supradicte cclv. libre solui debuissent de reuencionibus dicte terre Hibernie. Et super hoc breue de liberate directum fuit thesaurario et camerariis de solucione facienda prefato Willelmo de summa predicta.

Et quo ad hoc quod imponitur ei quod ipse constituit Iacobum Pykeryng, militem, iusticiarum in dicta terra Hibernie et concessit eidem Iacobo annuatim nomine feodi; xl. libras; idem Willelmus dieit quod ipse constituit ipsum Iacobum deputatum suum in absencia sua; vna cum aliis iusticiariis; et quod dictum feodum de xl. libris concessum fuit per ordinacionem consilii dicte terre Hibernie.

Et quo ad hoc quod imponitur ei quod ipse leuauit de communitate comitatus de Cork c. libras pro trecentis vaccis, xv. quarteriis frumenti et xv. quarteriis auenarum, et quod communitas visneti de Muscridonegan finem fecerunt cum eodem Willelmo pro xx. libris quod plus de eisdem non leuaret, et quod idem Willelmus leuauit de communitate comitatus de Waterford c. marcas pro vaccis et huiusmodi animalibus; idem Willelmus dicit quod ipse nichil inde leuauit, et hoc paratus est verificare qualitercumque curia etc.

Et predicti episcopus de Lussemore, Ricardus de Wynchedone et Willelmus de Sandhulle, contra responsiones predictas nichil dicunt neque allegant, et nichilominus responsiones predicte liberantur Roberto de Asshetone, iusticiario Hibernie, in quadam cedula ad inquirendum in dicta terra Hibernie si responsiones ille vere sunt necne et ad certificandum inde quam primum etc.

Et super hoc datus est dies prefato Willelmo de Wyndesore hic in octabis sancte Trinitatis in statu quo nunc.

Ad quem diem predictus Willelmus in propria persona sua venit. Et prefatus iusticiarius non certificauit in premissis. Et predictus episcopus, nuper thesaurarius, venit similiter in propria persona sua, et prestitit sacramentum de fideliter computando etc.

Et idem episcopus dicit quod ipse fuit thesaurarius ibidem a festo sancti Michaelis supradicto anno quadragesimo quinto finiente vsque idem festum proximo sequens, de quo tempore nulli contrarotuli mittuntur hic. Ideo mandatum est baronibus dicti scaccarii Hibernie quod vnum de camierariis eiusdem scaccarii mittant hic a die sancti Michaelis in xv. dies dicto anno xlviij. finiente, cum contrarotulis de recepta et exitu de tempore predicto, ad onerandum predictum nuper thesaurarium versus regem in premissis, et ad ulterius faciendum

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quod ad officium contrafotulatoris pertinet in hac parte. Et idem dies datus est predicto nuper thesaurario ad compundandum de tempore predicto.

Et idem nuper thesaurarius, quantum ad predictas vaccas de quibus consideratum est quod ipse oneretur versus regem in compoto suo, pro eo quod Dauid Penlyn, attornatus ipsius nuper thesaurarii, ad oppositiones sibi nuper factas non respondebat nisi quod super hoc non fuit informatus nec aliquam noticiam inde habuit, dicit quod predictus Dauid non fuit factus attornatus suus ad respondendum huiusmodi oppositionibus, set tantum ad reddendum compotum pro eo de parcellis in dicto compoto suo contentis, cuius parcelle non sunt vacce predite, quare pro defectu responsionis ipsius Dauid in ea parte predictus episcopus non deberet onerari.

Ed idem episcopus dicit vltierius, quo ad mille vaccas concessas pro fine et amerciamento de O'Brien et Makunmarre, vt dicitur, ipse nullam vaccam inde recepit nec aliqua extracta inde ad scaccarium Hibernie tempore suo venit vnde barones ibidem aliquam execucionem inde facere potuissent, set pro eo quod predicti O'Brene et M'Conmare prodicione castrum et ciuitatem Lymerici cremarunt, predice vacce per Willelmum de Wyndesore, tunc locum tenentem, de ausamento consilii domini regis in Hibernia et meliorum de terra ibidem concesse fuerunt ciuibus ciuitatis predite pro eorum releuacione ac reedificacione et reparacione castri et ciuitatis predictorum et murorum ibidem, et certe persone de ciuitate predicta ad recipiendum vaccas predictas assignati et eas distribuendum et expendendum pro releuacione, reedificacione et reparacione ciuium, castri et ciuitatis predictorum et murorum ibidem, vt premittitur. Per quod non intendit quod ipse de iure de vaccis predictis debeat onerari. Et quo ad xl. vaccas concessas per M'Carthy Carbraghe domino regi pro fine etc., idem episcopus dicit quod ipse certum numerum vaccarum recepit a dicto M'Carthy, set quantum ad presens non recordatur, de ipsis tamen se onerat super compoto suo de vltimo anno quo fuit thesaurarius, prout in eodem compoto plenius apparebit.

Et quo ad c. vaccas concessas, vt dicitur, per M'Murghe de Kensely idem episcopus dicit quod nunquam aliquam vaccam ex eis recepit, nec aliqua extracta inde tempore suo ad scaccarium ibidem venit vnde per barones ibidem exigi

potuissent, nec scit si aliquas¹ vaccas vel quantum vel quomodo concessit, vnde idem episcopus de iure de eisdem non debet onerari.

Et quo ad ccc. vaccas de bonis Iohannis de Rupe de Rour felonis, vt asseritur, forisfactis, idem episcopus dicit quod nullam vaccam de eis recepit, nec aliqua extracta inde venit tempore suo ad scaccarium ibidem, nec ipsum Iohannem nouit nec scit nec audiuit si ipse aliquas vaccas vel aliqua bona habuit de quibus idem episcopus deberet de iure onerari.

Et petit ex causis premissis de vaccis predictis, exceptis vaccis McCarthy Carbraghe predictis per ipsum receptis, exonerari, consideracione predicta non obstante. Et super hoc datus est dies tam eidem episcopo nuper thesaurario quam prefato Willelmo de Wyndesoure hic a die sancti Michaelis in xv. dies ad audiendum et faciendum super premissis quod etc.

Ad quem diem predictus Willelmus venit. Et predictus iusticiarius non certificauit in premissis. Et quia idem Willelmus profecturus est in obsequio domini regis versus dictas partes Hibernie, execucio versus eundem Willelmum in premissis ponitur in respectum quousque prefatus iusticiarius certificauerit in premissis vel idem Willelmus redierit in Anglia nisi aliud interim etc.

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RELIEF TO MERCHANT OF BRISTOL FROM SUBSIDIES GRANTED IN PARLIAMENTS OF KILKENNY AND CASHEL, 1371.

Close Roll, 46 Edward III.²

Rex superiori et balliuis ville de Rosse ac Rogero Wylton et Iohanni Codde de Rosse, collectoribus tam illorum sex denariorum de libra in parlimento nostro apud Kilkenniam in crastino Epiphanie Domini anno regni nostri quadragesimo quarto quam porcionum aliarum centum sexaginta et sexdecim librarum in quodam alio parlimento apud Casselle in octabis sancte Trinitatis nunc proximo preteritis tento ad leuandum

¹ MS. 'aliqua'.

² Harris Coll., III. 75a-b : *Cal. Patent and Close Rolls*, p. 81, no. 15.

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de communitate comitatus Weysfordie concessarum villam de Rosse specialiter contingencium, per nos specialiter assignatis, salutem. Ex parte Walteri Frampton de Bristolio nobis est ostensum quod, licet ipse infra terram nostram Hibernie nullatenus resideat nec seruientes aliquos mercandizas suas ibidem continue exercentes aut habitaciones aliquas infra eandem terram possideat, per quod ad subsidia aliqua ex quacumque causa per communitatem eiusdem terre concessa inter residentes infra terram nostram predictam soluenda de iure compelli deberet, vos tamen ipsum Walterum ad contribuendum inter vos infra villam supradictam porcioni ipsum contingentи de summis supradictis compellere facitis minus iuste, in ipsius Walteri dispendium non modicum et grauamen, ut accepimus. Et quia sufficienter informamur quod idem Walterus extra terram nostram Hibernie moram trahit continuam et seruientes aliquos mercandizas suas ibidem continue exercentes aut habitaciones aliquas infra eandem terram nullatenus possidet in hac parte ac nolentes eidem Waltero indebite iniuriam, vobis mandamus quod demandam, quam prefato Waltero ad contribuendum vobiscum in aliquo occasionibus summarum dicte ville ex causis predictis impositarum fieri facitis, omnino supersederi faciatis, et differenciam, si quam eidem Waltero aut hominibus et seruientibus suis qui in portu dicte ville cum mercandizis suis nouiter applicuerint ex causis supradictis fieri fecistis, sine dilacione reddi et relaxari et inde totaliter omnino supersederi faciatis in forma predicta. Teste Willelmo de Wyndesore, locum nostrum tenente in terra nostra Hibernie, apud Dubliniam, x^{mo} die Februarii anno regni 10 February
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Per consilium.

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Council at Ballyhack, Tuesday before St. Barnabas, 1372.

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Close Roll, 46 Edward III.¹

Rex venerabili in Christo patri Geraldo eadem gracia episcopo Corkagensi salutem. Quibusdam certis de causis saluacionem,

¹ Harris Coll., III. 109a-110b; *Cal. Patent and Close Rolls*, p. 83, nos. 78-80.

qui tem et tranquillitatem fidelium ligitorum nostrorum terre nostre Hibernie specialiter concernentibus vobis, in fide et dilectione quibus nobis tenemini, firmiter iniungendo mandamus quod, quacumque excusacione cessante, in propria persona vestra apud Balahach die martis proxima ante festum sancti Barnabe Apostoli proximo futurum intersitis, viacum procuratoribus sufficientibus pro clero vestre diocesis, ad tractandum et consciendum super hiis que ex causa supradicta coram custode terre nostre Hibernie ac aliis de consilio nostro ordinari contigerint tunc ibidem. Et habeatis ibi nomina eorundem procuratorum et hoc breue. Teste Mauricio filio Thome, comite de Kildare, custode terre nostre Hibernie, apud Kylmehallok, xxx^o die Maii anno regni nostri xlvi^j.

Per ipsum custodem et consilium.

Consimile breue dirigitur Iohanni episcopo Clonensi sub eadem data. Teste vt supra.

Rex vicecomiti Corke salutem. Precipimus tibi firmiter iniungentes quod, quacumque excusacione cessante, per proclamationem inde faciendam summonire facias apud Balahach die martis proxima ante festum sancti Barnabe Apostoli proximo futurum, coram custode terre nostre Hibernie et ceteris de consilio nostro, vniuersos et singulos custodes et superuiseores pacis nostre infra comitatum predictum cum equis et armis, necnon omnes homines defensabiles eiusdem comitatus tam equites quam pedites pro eorum statu arraiatos, ad faciendum ulterius et recipiendum quod ibidem ex parte nostra habuerint in mandatis. Et habeatis ibi tunc hoc breve. Teste Mauricio fitz Thomas, comite [de] Kildare, custode terre nostre Hibernie, apud Kylmehallok, xxx^o die Maii anno regni nostri xlvi^j.

Per ipsum custodem et consilium.

Consimile breue dirigitur maiori et balliuis¹ ciuitatis Corke ad interessendum apud Balahach, vt supra, cum sex de melioribus, probioribus et discrecioribus ciuibus eiusdem ciuitatis et qui plenam potestatem possideant pro communitate

¹ MS. 'vicecomitibus': there were, however, no sheriffs of the city of Cork in the Middle Ages.

dicte ciuitatis ad tractandum et consensiendum super hiis que pro commodo fidelium ligeorum nostrorum terre nostre Hibernie ibidem contigerint tunc ordinari. Teste vt supra.

Consimile breue dirigitur, mutatis mutandis, superiori et balliuis ville de Youghill ad interessendum etc. Teste vt supra.

Consimilia brevia diriguntur eciam aliis comitatibus ad interessendum etc. et ad eligi et venire faciendum apud Balahach, ut supra, quatuor de probioribus et melioribus militibus eiusdem comitatus et qui plenam potestatem pro communitate comitatus predicti possideant ad tractandum etc. vt supra, de data vt supra.

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Council at Dublin, Wednesday before Easter, 1374.

WRIT OF SUMMONS.

Close Roll, 48 Edward III.¹

Rex venerabili in Christo patri Thome eadem gracia archiepiscopo Dublinensi salutem. Quia O'Brien de Tohemond, sue nacionis capitaneus, contra nos et fideles populos nostros terre nostre Hibernie palam ad guerram existens, cum maxima potencia hibernicorum inimicorum et rebellium nostrorum eiusdem terre versus partes Momonie ad destruendum fidelem populum nostrum in partibus predictis accessit iam de novo, vt accepimus, ac volentes eorum malicie et proteruiet cum Dei adiutorio de auisamento vestro et aliorum de consilio nostro in quantum poterimus resistere, prout decet, vobis in fide et ligeancia quibus nobis tenemini firmiter iniungendo mandamus quod, omni dilacione siue excusacione postpositis, vos ipsi in propria persona vestra apud Dubliniam die mercurii proxima ante festum Pasche proximo futurum intersitis ad tractandum et vestrum consilium super premissis et aliis causis urgentibus saluacionem et defensionem terre nostre predicte specialiter concerentibus ibidem tunc exponendis, vna cum dilecto nobis in Christo Fratre Willelmo Tany, priore Hospitalis sancti

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¹ Harris Coll., III. 128a-b; *Cal. Patent and Close Rolls*, p. 88, no. 94.

Iohannis Ierusalem in Hibernia, iusticiario nostro Hibernie, ac aliis de consilio nostro ibidem ad dictum diem conuocatis, imponendum. Et hoc, sicut quietem et tranquillitatem dictorum ligeorum nostrorum ac saluacionem eiusdem terre diligitis, nullatenus omittatis. Teste prefato iusticiario, apud Clane, xxvj^o die Marcii anno nostro xlviij^o.

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Consimilia breuia diriguntur personis subscriptis, mutatis mutandis, sub eadem data, videlicet :

Mauricio fitz Thomas, comiti Kildarie,

Roberto de Preston et

Iohanni Keppok.

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Parliament at Dublin, Octave of Hilary, 1375.

WRIT OF SUMMONS.¹

Sweteman Reg., fo. 21a.

Edwardus Dei gracia rex Anglie et Francie et dominus Hibernie venerabili in Christo patri Miloni eadem gracia Ardmacano archiepiscopo, Hibernie primati, salutem. Quia diuersa dampna et iacture fidei populo nostro terre nostre Hibernie in diuersis partibus eiusdem terre, et precipue in partibus Ultonie, magis solito indies eueniunt et maiora

¹ A different form of this writ is printed from the Close Roll by Lynch, *Legal Institutions of Ireland*, pp. 321-2. The beginning is defective, but it apparently corresponded word for word with the writ received at Armagh up to 'vos ipsi in propria persona': from this point the enrolled writ continued as below. The different readings are indicated by italics, and gaps conjecturally supplied by square brackets.

'et non per procuratorem, omni excusacione et dilacione postpositis, ibidem ad diem illum intersitis, habentes tunc ibidem vobiscum sufficientem potestatem de clero vestro predicto ad consentiendum tam pro vobis quam pro dicto clero vestro necnon ad tractandum et concordandum, vacuum alias prelatis, magnatibus et proceribus ibidem ex causis predictis comparentibus, super hiis que vobis ex parte nostra exponentur tunc ibidem. Et hoc nullatenus omittatis. Et habeatis ibi tunc hoc breue. Scientes pro certo quod propter [magnam] necessitatem que iam urget non intendimus nec volumus personam [vestram] ad diem illum quoquomodo excusare, eo quod negotia tunc tractanda absque presencia vestra finem debitum sortiri [non] poterunt, cauentis ne negotia predicta per vestram absenciam ulterius retardentur vel [aliquiliter differentur] quoquis modo. Teste prefato gubernatore apud Le Naas, xx^o die Nouembris. Per ipsum gubernatorem et consilium.' The enrolment was presumably from a draft, based on a form such as no. 27 (which resembles certain forms in use about that time in England: cf. *Lords' Reports on the Dignity of a Peer*, IV, 647, 653), but discarded in favour of a form which permitted the appointment of a proctor.

infra breue euenire formidamus, quod absit, nisi in premissis
 remedium apponatur, nosque super premissis habita delibera-
 cione et auisamento tocius consilii nostri in terra nostra predicta,
 proinde et pro quibusdam aliis vrgentissimis causis nos et statum
 eiusdem terre nostre specialiter concernentibus quoddam
 parliamentum nostrum apud Dubliniam, vbi equalis concursus
 singularum parcium eiusdem terre extat, die sabbati in octabis
 sancti Hillarii proximo futuris tenendum de eorum communi
 assensu duximus ordinandum, et ideo vobis in fide et dilectione
 quibus nobis tenemini firmiter iniungendo mandamus quod,
 primo conuocato coram vobis clero vestre diocesis habitoque
 cum eis super premissis communi consilio et tractatu, vos ipsi
 in propria persona vestra, aut per procuratorem plenam et
 sufficientem potestatem pro vobis et dicto clero optinentem,
 ad tractandum et concordandum vna cum aliis prelatis, mag-
 natibus et proceribus siusdem terre super hiis que vobis ex
 parte nostra exponentur tunc ibidem dictis die et loco intersitis.
 Et hoc nullatenus omittatis. Et habeatis ibi tunc hoc breue.
 Teste Willelmo de Wyndesore, gubernatore et custode terre
 nostre Hibernie, apud le Naas, xx. die Nouembris anno regni
 nostri Anglie quadragesimo octauo, regni vero nostri Francie
 tricesimo quinto.¹

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Venerabili in Christo patri Miloni archiepiscopo Ardmacano,
 Hibernie primati, pro rege.

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Parliament at Dublin, Octave of Hilary, 1375.

PETITION FOR REWARD FOR SERVICES AS JUSTICES OF
 LABOURERS.

Memoranda Roll 49-50 Edward III, m. 37d.²

Dominus rex mandauit breue suum de cancellaria Hibernie
 thesaurario et baronibus huius scaccarii directum in hec verba :

Edwardus etc. thesaurario et baronibus de scaccario Hibernie
 salutem. Quandam peticionem gubernatori et custodi terre
 nostre Hibernie ac aliis de consilio nostro, in parliamento
 nostro apud Dubliniam in octabis sancti Hilarii proximo pre-

²⁰ January
1375

¹ The note of warranty was not copied by the transcriber.

² Cal. Mem. Rolls, xxxi, 259-62; printed in 'Sergeant Mayart's Answer' in
 W. Harris, *Hibernica* (1770), ii. 123-5. Neither text is accurate.

teritis tento, per Reginaldum Hadesore et Robertum Heyroun exhibitam et per eos indorsatam *[missimus]*, mandantes quod, visis peticione et indorsamento predictis, vltierius inde fieri faciat, prout continetur in eisdem, remittentes nobis hic hoc breue vnam peticione predicta. Teste Willelmo de Wyndesore, gubernatore et custode terre nostre Hibernie.

11 February apud Dubliniam, xj^o die Februarii anno regni nostri xlix^o.
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Et tenor peticionis de qua fit mencio superius in breui sequitur in hec verba:

A vous, sire governour et gardien d'Irlaunde, et aultres sages de conseil nostre seignur le roi illoeques supplioun Reynold de Hadesore et Robert Heyron qe come ils ont este justices de laborers par deux ans ou trois passéz par commission nostre seignur le roi en le counté de Louethe assignés, qe plese graunter a les avaunditz Reynold et Robert covenable regard pur lour grants coustages et travaux queux ils ont soustenus par meisme le temps, et, nyent contre esteant qe lour regarde n'est en la dite commission en certeyn limité n'assigné, qe vous plese de vostre bonne grace graunter a eux la tierce partie de les issues provenauntz de meisme l'office, come a touz ceux est graunte q i ont esté en mesme l'office parmye la terre d'Irland, come plus pleynement appiert en les roules de la chauncellerie et come par le conseil nostre dit seignur le roi adonques esteant acordé feusse et assentu, come plusours de eux soy[ent] bien recolaunt.

Que quidem peticio indorsatur sic :

Soit ceste peticion mandé par brief direct al tresorer et barons del eschequer, et illoeques retournent leur estreits entiere-ment, queux veux et examinés, soit la somme de les estreits levable mandé par les ditz tresorer et baronz en la chauncellerie, et de celle somme levable soit brief de *liberate* de la tierce partie.

Quod quidem breue remittitur in cancellaria predicta indor-satum in forma que sequitur vna cum peticione predicta:

Pretextu huius breuis visisque extractis iusticiariorum infra contentis, in scaccario Hibernie per eosdem iusticiarios returnatis et examinatis per barones scaccarii predicti, que quidem extracte se extendunt ad summam vj. l. iiij. s. vj. d. de diuersis finibus et amerciamentibus leuabilibus in eisdem extractis contentis etc.¹

¹ The exact wording of this endorsement is very doubtful and the latter part appears to be omitted. The whole was apparently difficult to read. Both texts stop at the same point with the sense incomplete.

Parliament at Kilkenny, Morrow of Trinity, 1375.

THE KING INSTRUCTS WILLIAM OF WINDSOR TO SUMMON A PARLIAMENT FOR THAT DATE, WHICH THE KING'S MESSENGERS WILL ATTEND.

E. 101/33/3, no. 2.

De par le Roy.

Trescher et foial. Porce qe nous tenons bien certainement que vous orriez volentiers de nostre bon estat et santée, vous fesons savoir que a la fesance de cestes nous estiens tout sains et en bon point, la Dieu mercye, desirantz aussi de vous oyer et de vostre estat toutdys bone novelle. Si vous signifions que nous, eantz chier l'estat, bon governement et salvacion de nostre terre d'Irlande, pensons de ent avoir et prendre deinz brief bon avys et deliberacion ovesque nostre conseil, et de vous certifier sur ce de nostre volenté par noz messages queux nous tramettrons pardevers vous et les prelatz, grantz et autres noz liges de nostre dite terre, par celle cause, parentre cy et la feste de la Trinité prochein venant. Si volons par tant que vous facez somondre un parlement illoeques a tenir par la ou il vous semblent mieulz, l'endemayn de la dite feste, si 18 June 1375
 que alors nos ditz messages puissent estre a mesme le parlement pur exposer ce q'ils averont en charge de par nous, et le declarer en vostre presence a les ditz prelatz, grantz et autres noz liges qi y serront adonques assembléz, a fyn que par tant puisse estre tretéz et acordéz en dit parlement par vostre bone et sage mediacion, selonc ce que nos ditz messages vous enformeront, d'aucune bone ordenance a faire et establier sur le governement de nostre dite terre, au confort et seurtée de noz foialx subgiz et repression de noz enemys celles parties. Et si volons en toutes maneres que vous demorgez illoeques en le moiien temps ovesque vostre retenue expressée en l'endenture dareinement faite parentre nous et vous, par manere que vous fetes a present, sanz soeffrir aucuns d'ycelle vostre retenue a departir de vous deinz mesme le temps par quiconque voie, sicome nous nous fions de vous, entendant que, en partie de paiement de ce que nous vous devons pur la dareine moitée

de vostre primer an, nous vous envoions de present par noz améz liges, voz esquiers, Robert de Eure et Thomas Holhurst, deux mille marcs, et du demorant duz outre a vous pur meisme la moitiée de l'an, nous vous ferrons avoir prest paiement et sanz nulle defaute deinz les trois semaignes procheines apres la Pentecoste prochein venante au plus tard. Et pur le temps que vous avez demoréz outre vostre primer an et demorerez ovesque vostre dite retenue en nostre terre avantdite tanque a la venue de noz ditz messages, nous vous ferrons avoir prest paiement de autieux gages et regard, pur la rate de mesme le temps come vous ont estéz et serront paiéz, selonc le purport et par vertue de la dite endenture pur vous et pur vostre dite retenue pur vostre primer an avantdit, par manere que nous avons fait charger vos ditz esquiers de vous dire, les queux, et par especial le dit Robert, veullez avoir pur excuséz de ce q'ils ont tant demoréz par decea, que vraiment ce n'ad estéz en leur defaute, einz soulement pur tant que, pur tres grande et chargeante occupacion de nos autres grosses affaires, ils ne ont peu plus brief deliverance avoir de nous et de nostre conseil, dont il nous ad despleu. Doné souz nostre privé seal, a Westmouster, le xxx. jour de Marz.¹

30 March
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Parliament at Kilkenny, Morrow of Trinity, 1375.

APPOINTMENT OF LAY ASSESSORS AND COLLECTORS OF A SUBSIDY
GRANTED BY PRELATES, MAGNATES AND COMMONS OF MUNSTER,
KILKENNY AND WEXFORD.

Patent Roll, 49 Edward III.²

Rex etc. dilectis sibi Iohanni Nyuell de Kynnagh in cantreda de Shirebry, Henrico Hore de Balishalcan in cantreda de Shylmalyr, Roberto de Rupe de Balyedyn in cantreda de Keyre, Patricio fitz Nichol in cantreda de Bargy et Iohanni Tournor in cantreda de Fothard salutem. Sciatis quod, cum

¹ The year is 49 Edward III, as indicated by E.101/33/3, no. 5, which contains particulars of William of Windsor's account.

² Harris Coll., III. 200a-203b; *Cal. Patent and Close Rolls*, p. 98, no. 262. In the spelling of personal and place names the Calendar has been followed as far as it serves.

prelati, magnates et communes parcium Momonie et comitatus Kilkennie et Weyesfordie, inter alios prelatos, magnates et communes aliarum parcium eiusdem terre in parlamento nostro apud Kilkenniam in crastino sancte Trinitatis proximo preterito^{18 June 1375} summonito et tento de mandato nostro comparentes, considerantes qualiter Breen, nuper O'Brien de Tohemonia, Hibernicus et inimicus noster, confederatis sibi OConghir de Connacia et quamplurimis tam Anglicis quam Hibernicis de eius adherencia et couina inimicis et rebellibus [*nostris*], ad destruendum fidelem populum nostrum terre nostre predicte et ad generalem conquestum eiusdem terre et precipue parcium Momonie faciendum totis viribus indies procedere conatur, et vt idem Breen ac complices sui predicti de eorum malicia et proteruia, prout hucusque in parte extiterunt, imposterum manu forti et vi armata per nos, Deo duce, reprimantur et celerius refrenentur, de eorum communi et vnanimi assensu et voluntate concederint quadringentas marcas ad leuandum de clero et communibus comitatus et communitatuum dictarum parcium Momonie ac Kilkennie et Weyesfordie predictarum, iuxta formam assessmentis inde per venerabiles patres Stephanum Midiensem et Thomam Lismoreensem et Waterfordensem episcopos, ad hoc specialiter electos in eodem parlamento, facte, in auxilium et manutenenciam guerre contra prefatum Breen et eius complices predictos per nos continuende, et quia milites per communes comitatus Weyesfordie electi¹ in dicto parlamento presentes elegerunt vos ad illas quadraginta marcas, super communes dicti comitatus Weyesfordie in partem solucionis dictarum quadringenta marcarum assessas, de communibus comitatus Weyesfordie predicti, tam infra libertates quam extra, temporalibus prelatorum, abbatum et priorum et aliorum de clero ac eorum gaulariis et betagiis duntaxat exceptis, assidendas et leuandas et colligendas, vobis et cuilibet vestrum firmiter iniungendo mandamus, et sub forisfactura omnium que erga nos forisfacere poteritis, quod circa assessmentem, leuacionem et collecciónem dictarum quadraginta marcarum² ita quod eadem summa quadraginta marcarum per vos in cantredis predictis, sic assessa, leuata et collecta, dilecto nobis Waltero Tyrell, receptori inde

¹ MS. 'clam'.

² Some words have been omitted in the transcript.

1 August
1375.

per nos specialiter assignato, per indenturas inde inter vos et prefatum receptorem modo debito conficiendas, citra festum sancti Petri quod dicitur Ad Vincula proximo futurum absque vltiori dilacione fideliter persoluatur, ad soluendum vltierius prout ex parte nostra habuerit in mandatis.

Damus insuper vobis et cuilibet vestrum plenam, tenore presencium, potestatem ad subcollectores in cantredis predictis, vbi necesse fuerit, sub sigillis vestris summonendos¹ et ad omnes illos, qui vobis aut alicui vestrum ad dies per vos eis prefigendos solutionem debitam summe predicte in [hac] parte contingentis non fecerint, distringendos et districciones capiendas et retinendas quousque vobis solutionem debitam fecerint in hac parte, et ad easdem districciones, si necesse fuerit, vendendas et denarios inde recipiendos, et quod denarii inde prouenientes in solutione summe super ipsos de quibus capte fuerint assesse debite computentur, ac eciam ad omnes illos, qui vobis aut alicui vestrum in assessmente, leuacione et colleccione dictarum quadraginta marcarum contrariantes vel rebelles fuerint seu denarios super ipsos assessos vobis soluere recusarunt, amerciandos, et amerciamenta illa coram thesaurario et baronibus de scaccario nostro Hibernie de tempore in tempus rite retornanda, necnon ad ipsos et eorum quemlibet capiendos, arrestandos et prisonis nostris mancipandos, in eisdem moraturos quousque de eorum deliberacione aliud duxerimus demandandum, ac de eorum nominibus gubernatori et custodi terre nostre Hibernie de tempore in tempus certificandum, vt vltierius pro eorum punitione de ausamento consilii nostri eiusdem terre ordinari valeat in hac parte. Volumus enim vos de quocumque compoto, occasione leuacionis et colleccionis denariorum predicatorum, nobis ad scaccarium nostrum predictum reddendo erga nos omnino exonerari.

Damus autem vicecomiti nostro de comitatu Weyesfordie ac vniuersis et singulis superioribus, prepositis, seruientibus subseruientibus et balliuis ac aliis fidelibus et ministris nostris quibuscumque eiusdem comitatus Weyesfordie, tam infra libertates quam extra, tenore presencium, districtius quo poterimus specialiter in mandatis quod vobis et cuilibet vestrum in assessmente, leuacione et colleccione dictarum quad-

¹ MS. 'subscriptos.'

raginta marcarum intendentes sint, respondentes, consulentes et auxiliantes, quociens et quando a vobis seu ab aliquo vestrum ad hoc ex parte nostra habuerint in mandatis.

In cuius etc. Teste Willelmo de Wyndesor etc., apud Kil-⁴ July
kenniam, quarto die Iulii anno regni nostri xl ix^o.

Eodem modo assignantur persone subscripte ad summas subscriptas in comitatibus¹ et ciuitatibus subscriptis in forma predicta assidendas, leuandas et colligendas et ad alia premissa facienda sub eadem data, videlicet :

In comitatu Kilkennie, xl v. marcas.

Nicholaus Bathe, Walterus Deuenyshe, in cantreda de Oste.
Iohannes Deneys, Iohannes Gogenore, in cantreda de Shille
minore.

Iohannes Olkonyr, Iohannes Credelk, in cantreda de Erke.
Galfridus Chamberleyn, Henricus Cheuir, in cantreda de
Kenlis.

Mauricius Bathe, Nicholaus Cogan, in cantreda de Cnoch-
tofre.

Iohannes Graunt, Andreas filius Willelmi McShan in cantreda
de Ouerk.

Ricardus Eylward, Thomas Brodi, in cantreda de Ogor.

Robertus Bruyll, Iohannes Broun, in cantreda de Kilkenny.

Patricius White de Callan, Iohannes Bathe, in cantreda de
Callan.

Petrus Broun, Willelmus Raith, in villis de Colyaghs.

Willelmus Graunt iunior, Adam Rowe, in crocea de Kil-
kenny.

Walterus Deuerery, Walterus Parke, in cantreda de Odogh.

In comitatu Waterfordie, xx. libras.

Nicholaus Gastoun, Philippus filius Simonis Cristor, in
cantreda de Queagh.

Iohannes Broun, Dauid Waleferk, in cantreda de Athmean.

Dauid Wogan, Willelmus Poer, in cantreda de Tarmod.

Willelmus Vale, Adam Ochean, in cantreda de Slesko.

Gilbertus Burden, Iohannes Beneth, in cantreda de Doun-
g[aruan].

¹ MS. 'comitatu.'

Willelmus Norragh, Petrus Balline, in cantreda de Ohenuis.
 Robertus Bealler, Willelmus Fitch, in cantreda de Obredy.
 Dauid Cogan, Iohannes Wygmore, in cantreda de Offath.

In comitatu Typerarie.....¹

Nicholaus Casse, Theobaldus Stapletoun, Iohannes filius
 Ricardi Cantwell, Ricardus Ranyde, in cantreda de Ely.

Philippus Maydewell, Robertus filius Walteri de Valle,
 Ricardus Walsh, prepositus Clonmell, Simon Edward Eckergan,
 Adam Corre, in cantreda de Iffa.

Iohannes filius Iohannis Mauclere, Ricardus Corre, Iohannes
 Seint Legere, Ricardus Roche, clericus, in cantreda de Offach.

Nicholaus Cryk, Iacobus Loundres, in cantreda de Moyen.

Willelmus Gregory, Willelmus Scraginan, Henricus Mauclere,
 Robertus Hacket in cantreda de Ouen.

Thomas filius Stephani Clerk, Milo Cantwell, Henricus filius
 Walteri Maress, Iacobus White, Thomas Barry, in cantreda de
 Sleff.

Martinus Galenagh, Iohannes Bragnoch de Keppagh, Adam
 Brenn, Milo More Crek, Ricardus Kerre, Stephanus Poer, in
 cantreda de Mottall.

Willelmus Bron de Tipperary, Theobaldus filius Meileri,
 Ricardus Suckrane, Willelmus Pollard, in cantreda de Okom
 Muskery.

In comitatu Corke, xlvi. marcas.

Iohannes filius Gerald Corre, Doualdus ODaly, in cantreda
 de Kennaleth West.

Eustachius Bols senior, Adam filius Phillipi de Rupe, Dauid
 Roche filius Thome, in cantreda de Kenneleth Este.

Willelmus Pyll, Robertus filius Dauid Tirry, in cantreda de
 Kery.

Willelmus filius Ade Barry, Milo Beralmery, Thomas Scurlog,
 Robertus filius Iohannis de Barry militis, in cantreda de
 Olethan.

Ricardus filius Petri Poer, Thomas filius Henrici Walsh,
 Willelmus filius Iordani Saunton, in cantreda de Machyll.

Bernardus Barret, Dauid Rowe, Dauid Myagh, Milo de Rupe

¹ The transcriber has noted that the membrane was torn.

de Carrich, Robertus filius Bernardi Saunton de Creyg, Bernardus filius Geraldus Saunton de Achonnoll, in cantreda de Fermoy West.

Stephanus filius Willelmi Barret, Iohannes filius Thome Barret, in cantreda de Mouscrimityne.¹

Robertus Walsh, Iohannes fitz Rys de Bottauant, Mauricius filius Willelmi White, Willelmus Colt, Walterus Leynagh, in cantreda de Mouscridonegan.²

Mauricius Flemyn, Ricardus Bandon, in cantreda de Cenalbech.

Willelmus filius Willelmi Barry, Thomas Arundell, in cantreda [de] Obaon.

In comitatu Kery, xx. libras,

Nicholaus filius Galfridi filii Gilberti, Iohannes fitz Elys fitz Rys, in cantreda de Akomys.

Thomas Feriter, Nicholaus fitz Patrick Mayaw, in cantreda de Ossur[is].

Mauricius de Cantelowe miles, Philippus filius Ludouici Broun, Philippus filius Roberti Oge, Philippus filius Thome filii Mauricii Roch, in cantreda de Offarbe.³

Thomas Stakpol, Gilbertus filius Walteri, in cantreda de

Adam Oge fitz Andrew, Walterus fitz Elys de Saylle, Patricius Ruddall, in cantreda de

In comitatu Lymerici, xl. marcas.

Edmundus de Burgo, Meilerus de Burgo, Adam fitz Peires, in cantreda de Wetheney.

Iohannes Wyncestre, Ricardus Sabyn iunior, in cantreda de Any.

Adam Lang de Kilmehallok, Symon Byell, Philippus Maundeulle, in cantreda de Ocarbry.

Iacobus Otteway, Willelmus Whit de Rach, Willelmus Miagh de Rossagh, in cantreda de Fontim[kill].⁴

Ricardus Germeyn. Iohannes Loft, in cantreda de Esclon.

Gilbertus Brayghnoch, Thomas Burton, in cantreda de Adare.

Hugo Purcell, Thomas Motyng, in cantreda de Inskysty.

¹ MS. 'Monstermyne'. ² MS. 'Monsterdenogan'.

³ MS. 'Offail'. ⁴ MS. 'Fontir'.

Iohannes filius Thome Baundon, Iohannes filius Donati Roch MacKenary, in cantreda de Cromith.¹

Thomas Ulfe, Ricardus Foxton, in cantreda de Ardagh.

Eodem modo assignantur persone subscripte ad summas subscriptas in ciuitatibus subscriptis assidendas, leuandas et percipiendas, videlicet :

Ricardus Brisbone, Walterus Spence, ad leuandum in ciuitate Waterfordie x. marcas.

Thomas la Wellyn, Iohannes Bultynford, ad assidendum etc. in ciuitate Corke x. libras.

Maior et balliui ciuitatis Lymerici ad assidendum etc. in eadem ciuitate x. marcas.

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APPOINTMENT OF LAY RECEIVERS OF SUBSIDY.

Patent Roll, 49 Edward III.²

Rex etc. dilectis sibi Waltero Coterell et Galfrido de la Laund salutem. Sciatis quod nos, de vestris legalitate et industria plenius confidentes, assignauimus vos, coniunctim et diuisim, tam ad illas quadraginta et quinque marcas super communes comitatus Kilkennie quam ad illas decem libras super clerum Ossoriensis diocesis, ac vos, prefate Waltere, tam ad illas quadraginta marcas super communes comitatus Weyesfordie quam ad illas nouem marcas super clerum Fernensis diocesis, in partem solucionis illarum quadringentarum marcarum per prelatos, magnates et communes parciū Momonie et comitatus Kilkennie et Weyesfordie, in auxilium et manutenenciam guerre contra Breen, nuper O'Brien de Tohermonia, et alias tam Anglicos quam Hibernicos, inimicos et rebelles nostros, per nos continuende, in parlimento nostro apud Kilkenniam in crastino sancte Trinitatis proximo preterito tento gratauerit concessarum, assessas, de collectoribus inde per litteras nostras patentes diuersimodo constitutis³ per indenturas inde inter

¹ MS. 'Brown'.

² Harris Coll. III. 204a-205a; *Cal. Patent and Close Rolls*, p. 98, no. 264.

³ MS. 'constantes'.

vos et prefatos collectores modo debito conficiendas, recipiendas, ad soluciones debitas de summis per vos in hac parte receptis vterius faciendas, prout ex parte nostra habueritis in mandatis, et ad compotum collectorum predictorum de denariis per ipsos et eorum quemlibet receptis audiendum. Et ideo vobis et cuilibet vestrum firmiter iniungendo mandamus, et sub forisfactura omnium que erga nos forisfacere poteritis, quod compotum collectorum predictorum audiatis, et circa receptionem denariorum predictorum diligenter intendatis, in forma predicta, dantes vobis et alicui vestrum in dicto comitatu Kilkennie, ac vobis, prefate Waltere, in comitatu Weyesfordie predicto, plenam, tenore presencium, potestatem ad diligenciam collectorum predictorum super leuacione et colleccione summarum predictarum superuidendam, et eosdem collectores ad certos dies et loca per vos eis limitandos coram vobis venire faciendos, ipsosque ad compotum suum de denariis inde per ipsos perceptis coram vobis reddendum de tempore in tempus compellendos, et ad omnes illos qui in leuacione et colleccione seu in deliberacione denariorum predictorum negligentes aut remissi vel contrariantes fuerint seu rebelles amerciandos, et amerciamenta illa coram thesaurario et baronibus de scaccario nostro Hibernie de tempore in tempus rite retornanda, necnon ad ipsos capiendos et arrestandos et prisonis nostris mancipandos et de eorum nominibus gubernatori et custodi terre nostre certificandum.

Damus autem vniuersis et singulis collectoribus predictis ac senescallis et vicecomitibus et omnibus balliuis, ministris et fidelibus nostris comitatuum predictorum [*districtius quo poterimus specialiter in mandatis*] quod vobis et alteri vestrum in execucione premissorum in forma predicta intendentes sint, consulentes, respondentes et auxiliantes. In cuius etc. Teste Willelmo de Wyndesore, gubernatore etc., apud Kilkenniam,⁴ 1375
quarto die Iulii anno regni nostri xlix°.

Eodem modo assignatur persone subscripte receptores summarum super communes predictos in forma predicta assessarum, mutatis mutandis, sub eadem data, videlicet :

Edmundus Hacket, vicecomes, Nicholaus Poer, in comitatu Waterfordie, xx. libras.

Siluester Laynagh, Iohannes Euerard, in comitatu Typperarie, xlvi. marcas.

Iohannes Brit, vicecomes, in comitatu Corke, xlvi. marcas.
Robertus McCarthy in comitatu Kery, xx. libras.

Thomas Clifford in comitatu Lymerici, xl. marcas.

Parliament at Kilkenny, Morrow of Trinity, 1375.

APPOINTMENT OF ECCLESIASTICAL ASSESSORS, COLLECTORS AND RECEIVERS OF SUBSIDY.

Patent Roll, 49 Edward III.¹

Rex etc. venerabili in Christo patri archiepiscopo Casselensi salutem. Sciatis quod cum prelati, magnates et communes [etc. as in no. 35 to continuende], et quia dilecti nobis Ricardus filius Stephani, thesaurarius ecclesie cathedralis Casselensis, Iohannes OMoryn, vicarius de Athysshill, abbas sancte Crucis [et] abbas de Kilcoull, electi sunt ad illos centum solidos super vos et clerum vestre diocesis, liberis tenentibus vestris et dicti cleri ac temporalibus et spiritualibus Hospitalis sancti Iohannis Ierusalem in Hibernia hac vice duntaxat exceptis, assessos, leuandos et colligendos, vobis, in fide et dilectione quibus nobis tenemini et sub pena capcionis temporalium vestrorum, prefate episcope,² in manum nostram, firmiter iniungendo mandamus quod dictos centum solidos super vos et clerum vestre diocesis, liberis tenentibus ac temporalibus et spiritualibus predictis, ut premittitur, exceptis, equaliter assideri faciat, et prefatos collectores et eorum quemlibet ad eosdem centum solidos in forma predicta leuandos, ac eciam clerum vestrum predictum et eorum quemlibet ad denarios super ipsos assessos prefatis collectoribus sine dilacione persoluendos, tam per censuras ecclesiasticas quam aliis viis et modis quibus pro celeriori et meliori leuacione et colleccione inde vobis melius videbitur expedire de tempore in tempus compellatis, ita quod dicti centum solidi dilecto nobis priori de Athysshill, receptori inde per nos specialiter assignato, citra festum sancti Petri quod dicitur Ad Vincula proximo futurum absque vltiori dilacione, per indenturas inde modo

¹ Harris Coll., III. 197a-198b; *Cat. Patent and Close Rolls*, p. 98. no. 267.
² Sic.

debito conficiendas, fideliter persoluantur, ad soluendum
 vltierius prout ex parte nostra habuerit in mandatis. Et
 hoc sub pena predicta nullatenus omittatis. Teste Willelmo
 de Wyndesore gubernatore etc., apud Kilkenniam, quarto ⁴ July
 die Iulii anno regni nostri xl ix^o. 1375

Consimilia breuia, mutatis mutandis, diriguntur personis
 subscriptis ad summas subscriptas super clerros subscriptos
 assideri et de eisdem leuari faciendas ¹ in forma subscripta, et
 vnde persone subscripte sunt collectores etc. sub eadem data,
 videlicet :

Episcopo Ossoriensi ad assideri faciendum etc. super clerum
 Ossoriensis diocesis x. marcas, vnde Robertus Howlyn, rector
 de Inchyholleghan, Remundus Walshe, vicarius de Fydon,
 Rogerus Porpeus, vicarius de Mothyll, sunt collectores.

Episcopo Fernensi ad assideri faciendum etc. super clerum
 Fernensis diocesis ix. marcas, vnde Nicholaus White, vicarius
 de Kylscouran, Willelmus Lorcan, vicarius de Clomine,
 Andreas, vicarius de Clonstuf, sunt collectores.

Episcopo Waterfordensi et Lismorensi ad assideri faciendum
 etc. super clerum Waterfordensis et Lismorensis diocesis c.
 solidos, vnde idem episcopus est collector et receptor.

Episcopo Corkagensi ad assideri faciendum super clerum
 Corkagensis diocesis c. solidos, vnde magister Robertus Roche,
 archidiaconus ibidem, et abbas de Antro sunt collectores.

Episcopo Lymericensi ad assideri faciendum super clerum
 Lymericensis diocesis x. marcas, vnde abbas de Magio et
 Geraldus OMolcorkyr, clericus, sunt collectores.

Episcopo Imlacensi ad assideri faciendum etc. super clerum
 Imlacensis diocesis xl. solidos, vnde abbas de Wetheney, rector
 de Cashkenlys, rector de Typperary, Iohannes, vicarius de
 Kylloghlan, et Iohannes Whyteside, vicarius de Brywys, sunt
 collectores.

Episcopo Clonensi vel eius vicario generali, ipso episcopo in
 remotis agente, ad assideri faciendum etc. super clerum Clon-
 ensis diocesis x. marcas, vnde prior Ville Pontis, abbas de
 Castro Coryth, rector de Rathcormack, rector de Tredyneton,
 Ricardus Cauetoun, rector de Moyall, sunt collectores.

¹ MS. 'faciendum.'

Episcopo Rossensi ad assideri faciendum etc. super clerum Rossensis diocesis v. marcas, vnde idem episcopus est collector et receptor.

Episcopo Laonensi ad assideri faciendum etc. super clerum Laonensis diocesis xl. solidos, vnde idem episcopus est collector et receptor.

Et memorandum quod persone subscripte assignantur receptores dictarum summarum super dictos cleros assessarum, et inde habent litteras domini regis patentes consimili modo et forma, mutatis mutandis, quibus huiusmodi littere patentes Waltero Coterell et Galfrido de la Laund facte et in proximo rotulo precedenti scripte existunt, prout in eodem rotulo plenius apparet,¹ videlicet :

Prior de Athyhill de clero Casselensis diocesis : c. solidos.

Thomas filius decani de clero Lymericensis diocesis : x. marcas.

Iohannes Brit de clero Corkagensis diocesis : c. solidos.

Iohannes filius Iohannis canonicus Artfertensis, de clero Artfertensis diocesis : x. libras.

Prior Ville Pontis, Ricardus Caueton, persona de Moyall, de clero Clonensis diocesis : x. marcas.²

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ARRANGEMENTS FOR AN EXPEDITION TO THOMOND AND CONNACHT.

E. 101/246/4, no. 97³.

Edwardus Dei gracia rex Anglie et Francie et dominus Hibernie thesaurario, vel eius locum tenenti, et camerarii de scaccario suo Hibernie salutem. Cum in parliamento nostro apud Kylkenniam in octabis⁴ sancte Trinitatis anno regni nostri quadragesimo nono tento, inter cetera per dilectum et

¹ Above, no. 36.

² The discrepancies between the list of receivers and the list of collectors may be due to the enrolling clerk, and not to omissions by the transcriber. The Calendar gives no indication that the roll contained more than the transcriber copies.

³ Entered on Close Roll : see *Cal. Patent and Clse Rolls*, 101, no. 59.

⁴ *Recte* 'crastino.'

fidelem nostrum Willelmum de Wyndesore, tunc gubernatorem et custodem terre nostre Hibernie, et alios de consilio nostro, tunc ibidem comparentes, concordatum et ordinatum extiterat quod venerabilis pater Stephanus episcopus Midensis, finito parliamento predicto, in comitiua prefati gubernatoris ad partes Tothemonie et Connacie personaliter accederet et ibidem, super manutenencia guerre nostre contra O'Brien de Tothemonia et alios sibi adherentes, generalem conquestum in partibus predictis tunc facere intentos,¹ et reformacione pacis nostre ibidem moraretur quamdiu necesse foret, cum tot hominibus ad arma, hobellariis, sagittariis, equitibus et peditibus quot in comitiua sua pro manutenencia guerre et reformacione pacis predictarum de tempore in tempus videret necessarium, ad consimilia vadia et feoda nostra qualia in consilio nostro tento apud le Naas septimo die Septembris tunc ⁷ proximo preterito per dictum gubernatorem et consilium pro eodem episcopo et pro hominibus ad arma, hobellariis, sagittariis, equitibus et peditibus, quos in comitiua sua super guerris et reformacione pacis predictis extunc retineret et haberet, fuerunt ordinata et concessa, capiente per manus clerici nostri ad vadia per nos ad hoc deputandi vel thesaurarii et cameraliorum scaccarii predicti qui pro tempore forent, si per huiusmodi clericum nostrum ad vadia sibi non soluentur, videlicet prefato episcopo capiente pro se ipso per diem tresdecim solidos et quatuor denarios, et pro quolibet homine ad arma, hobellario, sagittario, equite et pedite vadia in terra nostra predicta consueta, prout in quodam memorando inde in cancellaria nostra Hibernie irrotulato plenius continetur.

September
1374

Ac iam ex parte ipsius episcopi nobis sit intimatum quod, licet ipse, virtute concordie et ordinacionis predictarum, vna cum diuersis hominibus de retinencia sua, in forma predicta, per maximum tempus in obsequio nostro super guerris et reformacione pacis predictis steterit, et Iohannes² Lumbarde ad contrarotulandum ipsum ac homines ad arma, hobellarios, sagittarios, equites et pedites in comitiua sua super guerris et reformacione pacis predictis commorantes super mora sua in obsequio nostro, vt premittitur, in parliamento predicto extiterit assignatus, idem tamen Iohannes, tam pro eo quod ipse alibi in

¹ MS. 'intentos'.

² MS. 'Iohannem'.

obsequio nostro circa diuersa negocia nostra assidue extitit occupatus quam pro eo quod ipse aliquam commissionem ad contrarotulandum prefatum episcopum et homines suos predictos nullatenus possidebat, eundem episcopum aut homines suos predictos non contrarotulauit, nobis humiliter supplicando ut sibi feoda et vadia sua predicta ac hominum suorum predicatorum pro tempore quo sic in obsequio nostro stetit, premissis non obstantibus, solui iubere dignaremur. Nosque tam pro nobis quam pro prefato episcopo, premissis non obstantibus, in ea parte fieri volentes quod est iustum, vobis, prefatis thesaurario ac baronibus scaccarii nostri predicti, per breue nostrum mandauimus quod, computato cum prefato episcopo, per eius sacramentum coram vobis inde fideliter prestandum, per quot dies et cum quot hominibus ad arma, hobellariis, sagittariis, equitibus et peditibus et per quantum tempus separatim super guerris et reformatio[n]e pacis predictis moram fecerit, de eo quod per huiusmodi compotum vobis constare poterit eidem episcopo pro se et retinencia sua predicta, in forma predicta, per nos racionabiliter debere, nos in cancellaria nostra predicta, sub sigillo scaccarii predicti, distincte et aperte, sine dilacione, redderetis certiores. Ac vos nobis retornastis quod, computato cum eodem episcopo per sacramentum suum coram vobis prestatum, compertum est quod idem episcopus moram fecit in partibus predictis, super manutenencia guerre et reformatio[n]e pacis predictarum, cum decem hominibus ad arma, viginti hobellariis et sagittariis, ipso capiente per diem pro vadis suis tresdecim solidos et quatuor denarios et cuiuslibet hominis ad arma duodecim denarios per diem et cuiuslibet hobellarii et sagittarii sex denarios per diem, ab octauo die Iulii anno regni nostri Anglie quadragesimo nono vsque primum diem Septembris tunc proximo sequentem, videlicet per quinquaginta et sex dies vtroque die computato, et a sextodecimo die Decembris anno dicti regni nostri supradicto vsque vicesimum tertium diem Ianuarii anno dicti regni nostri quinquagesimo, videlicet per quadringentos et quatuor dies vtroque die computato, et quod idem episcopus retinuit in comitiua sua in partibus predictis, pro expeditione guerre et reformatio[n]e pacis predictarum, centum pedites, a vicesimo septimo die Maii anno dicti regni nostri quinquagesimo vsque vicesimum nouum diem Iulii tunc proximo sequentem, videlicet per

8 July 1375	
1 September 1375	
16 December 1375	
23 January 1377	
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29 July 1376	

sexaginta et quatuor dies vtroque die computato, capiente pro vadiis cuiuslibet capitanei duorum capitaneorum dictorum¹ peditum quatuor denarios et pro vadiis cuiuslibet peditis eorundem peditum duos denarios per diem, et quod summa omnium vadiorum supradictorum per tempora predicta ad octingentas viginti et vnam libras et sexdecim denarios se extendit. Nosque volentes eidem episcopo de vadiis supradictis, prout iustum fuerit, debite satisfieri, vobis mandamus quod eidem episcopo dictos octingentas viginti et vnam libras et sexdecim denarios de thesauro liberetis. Teste Iacobo le Botiller, comite Dormondie, iusticiario nostro Hibernie apud Waterforde, xviiiij. die Aprilis anno regni nostri Anglie quin-^{18 April 1377} quagesimo primo, regni vero nostri Francie tricesimo octauo.

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REMISSION OF FINE FOR ABSENCE.

Memoranda Roll, 49-50 Edward III, m.36².

Dominus rex mandauit breue suum de cancellaria sua Hibernie thesaurario et baronibus huius scaccarii directum, quod est inter brevia de Anglia de anno 1º regis nunc, in hec verba:

Edwardus Dei gracia rex Anglie et Francie [et] dominus Hibernie thesaurario et baronibus de scaccario suo Hibernie salutem. Quandam petitionem gubernatori et aliis de consilio nostro in terra nostra Hibernie apud Kylkenniam per dilectum et fidelem nostrum Thomam Vernele, militem, exhibitam et per eosdem ibidem indorsatam vobis mittimus presentibus interclusam, mandantes quod, visa petitione predicta et indorsamento eiusdem, vltierius inde tam pro nobis quam pro prefato Thoma fieri faciat, prout continetur in eisdem et de iure fuerit faciendum. Teste Willelmo de Wyndesore, gubernatore et custode terre nostre Hibernie, apud Kylkenniam, quarto die Februarii anno regni nostri Anglie quinquagesimo, regni vero nostri Francie tricesimo septimo.

^{4 February 1376}

Et tenor petitionis de qua fit mencio superius in breui sequitur in hec verba:

¹ MS. *duorum*.

² Ferguson Coll., i. 326; Cal. Mem. Rolls, xxxi. 250.

18 June
1375

A tresgracious seigneur le governour d'Irlande et conseil nostre seigneur le roi illoeques moustre, si vous pleist, Thomas Vernele, chivaler, qe, come il avoit une brief de venir a Kylkenny al parlement illoeques tenuz l'endemaynge de la Trinité darein passé, au quele temps, pur les guerres esteantz en celles parties par les OConkyrs et Mathew fitz Remond Bermyngham, il ne purroit en nulle maner venir, saunz grande destruccion du païs des lieges nostre seigneur le roi, au dit parlement, pur quele noun venue il fust amerciéz en cent sols, dont supplie le dit Thomas qe vous pleise a lui faire pardoune des cent sols susditz, eiantz sur ce regarde q'il ad mys tres grandes travailles et costages en les marchies del Carbry en resistance des enemys nostre seigneur le roi et¹ uncqore fait de jour en autre, et qe nulle de ces auncestres fuerent summonez devant cestes heures a ascune parlement forsqe ovesques les communes.

Que quidem peticio indorsatur sic :

Soit cest peticion mandé par brief a tresorer et baronz qe, enquise la verité de ycelle, si trové soit com la peticion purport en presens du partie dedence nomé, adonqe soit il deschargé de la merciment dedence contenu.

6 May
1376

Et super hoc vj. die Maii hoc termino hic in scaccario coram baronibus venit predictus Thomas Vernoil, miles, per Henricum Cusak, attornatum suum, et dicit quod ipse, propter guerram existentem in partibus suis per les OConghirs et Matheum filium Remundi Bermyngham, inimicos et rebelles domini regis, contra fideles ligeos domini regis ibidem motam, absque destruccione patrie sue et ligeorum domini regis predictorum, apud Kilkenniam in crastino sancte Trinitatis predicto ad parliamentum predictum venisse non potuit, et hoc pretendit verificare qualitercumque curia etc. Et Henricus Michell, attornatus domini regis, qui pro domino rege sequitur in hac parte, dicit pro domino rege quod predictus Thomas apud Kilkenniam ad parliamentum predictum in crastino sancte Trinitatis predicto, propter aliquam guerram in dictis partibus tunc existentem et absque destruccione patrie predicte, venisse potuit si voluisse, prout habuit in mandatis etc. Et hoc offert verificare pro domino rege etc. Et predictus Thomas, per predictum attornatum suum, similiter etc. Ideo inquiratur inde etc. Et super hoc vj^{to} die Maii hoc termino Iohannes de Karlell,

6 May
1376

* MS. 'ad.'

Cancellarius huius scaccarii, et Walterus de Cusak, miles, seneschallus libertatis Midie, assignantur per commissionem huius scaccarii ad inquirendum super premissis plenius veritatem etc., ita quod certificant hic inde a die sancte Trinitatis in xv. dies tunc proximo sequentes etc. Et idem dies datus est prefato Thome per predictum attornatum suum etc. Et interim respectum etc.

22 June
1376

Ad quem diem predictus Thomas per predictum attornatum suum venit etc., et predicti Iohannes de Karlell et Walterus de Cusak, miles, retornarunt hic commissionem predictam, vna cum quadam inquisicione eidem annexa coram ipsis super premissis in presencia predicti Thome capta per sacramentum Thome Palmer, Iohannis Barbor iunioris, et aliorum iuratorum, quorum nomina plenius annotantur in inquisicione predicta, que est inter extentas et inquisiciones de anno regni nostri supradicti 1°, per quam compertum est quod predictus Thomas propter guerras motas et existentes per longum tempus ante festum sancte Trinitatis predictum et post idem festum per les OConghirs et Matheum filium Remundi de Bermyngham, inimicos et rebelles domini regis predictos, expectauit in marchiis de Clonard et Killeghan, ob quod ad parliamentum predictum, absque destruccione patrie sue et marchiarum predictarum, venisse non potuit. Et predictus Thomas Vernoile per predictum attornatum suum petit iudicium super veredicto inquisitionis predicte etc. Et visis premissis per barones etc., consideratum est per eosdem quod predictus Thomas Vernoile exoneretur erga dominum regem de predictis centum solidis de amerciamento predicto pretextu premissorum etc., et quod sic ingrossetur etc.

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Parliament at Kilkenny, Morrow of Trinity, 1375.

REMISSION OF FINE FOR ABSENCE.

Memoranda Roll, 49-50 Edward III, m.37.¹

Dominus rex mandauit per breue suum de cancellaria sua Hibernie thesaurario et baronibus huius scaccarii directum in hec verba :

Edwardus etc. thesaurario et baronibus de scaccario suo

¹ Cal. Mem. Rolls, xxxi. 255.

Hibernie salutem. Quandam peticionem Willelmo de Wyndesore, gubernatori et custodi Hibernie, et aliis de consilio nostro ibidem apud Trysteldermot per Walterum de Cusak, chiualer, exhibitam et per eosdem ibidem indorsatam vobis mittimus presentibus interclusam, mandantes quod, visa peticione predicta, si per inquisitionem inde coram vobis capiendam vobis constare poterit contentum in eadem peticione veritatem continere, tunc ipsum Walterum de ipsis centum libris in eadem peticione contentis erga nos totaliter exonerari et quietum esse faciatis et vterius faciatis quod de iure fuerit faciendum etc. Teste Willelmo de Wyndesore, gubernatore Hibernie, apud Tristeldermot xiv. die Maii anno 1°.

14 May
1376

Et tenor peticionis sequitur in hec verba :

A vous, sire gouvernour et gardelyn de la tere d'Irlande et au conseill nostre seigneur le roi prie Waulter Cusak, chevaler, qe come il estoit amercie en cent sols par cause q'il ne vient poynt al parlement de Kylkenny l'endemeyne de la Trinite darreyn passé, la ou le dit Waulter estoyt adonques taunt occupié en defense de les marchies de Westmythe en le resistens de diverses irroees ennemys nostre seigneur le roi es ditz parties, c'est a savoir les Congherres de Connaght, Offerrollez, McGoghans, ORailles et plusours aultres Irrees illoeques adonques conferés pur destruer les ditz parties de Westmythe, q'il ne purroit a cel temps au dit parlement estre saunz destruccion des parties avaundties, qe vous plese de vostre tresgraciouse seigneurie cestes choses considerer et graunter au dit Waulter pardon del amerciement avant dit.

Que quidem peticio indorsatur sic :

Soit cest peticion maundé as tresorer et barons del eschequer par brief, et si par enquest prise parentre le roi et lui soit trové qe la peticion comprend verité, adonques eit pardon de les cent sols deinz contenuz.

Super hoc xx° die Iunii coram baronibus venit predictus Walterus et dicit quod ipse, in crastino sancte Trinitatis predicte, extitit in partibus Westmidie taliter occupatus in defensionem marchiarum dictarum parcium Westmidie in resistenciam de les OConghirs de Connaght, Offerrales, M^cGayghanes, ORailles et aliorum hibernicorum rebellium et inimicorum regis in dicta peticione contentorum dictas partes destruere proponencium, ita quod ipse ad dictum crastinum

18 June
1375

sancte Trinitatis apud Kylkenniam ad parliamentum predictum absque destruccióne parcium predictarum venisse non potuit vlo modo. Et hoc pretendit verificare etc. Et Henricus Michel, attornatus regis, dicit quod predictus Walterus ad parliamentum predictum venisse potuit si voluisset etc., et hoc offert verificare etc. Ideo inquiratur. Et preceptum est vicecomiti croce Midie, pro eo quod idem Walterus extitit senescallus libertatis Midie, quod non omittat propter libertatem Midie Edmundi de Mortuo Mari, comitis Marchie, domini libertatis predicte, quin eam ingrediatur et quod venire faciat hic in quindena sancti Michaelis de visneto parcium predictarum xij. etc., ad recognoscendum etc. Idem dies datus est prefato Waltero.

Ad quem diem predictus Walterus venit hic per attornatum suum et predictus vicecomes retornauit breue et nomina iuratorum, qui dicunt quod predictus Walterus extitit in partibus Westmydie totaliter occupatus in defensionem marchiarum predictarum in resistenciam inimicorum domini regis, ita quod ad parliamentum predictum venisse non potuit etc. Et predictus Walterus petit iudicium etc. Et per barones consideratum est quod predictus Walterus exoneretur erga dominum regem de centum solidis predictis pretextu premissorum etc.

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WRIT OF SUMMONS.

Sweteman Reg., fo. 49b.¹

Edwardus etc. venerabili in Christo patri Miloni eadem gracia archiepiscopo Ardmacano salutem. Cum nos quosdam nuncios ab Anglia ad terram nostram Hibernie ad tractandum vna cum prelatis, magnatibus et communibus terre nostre predice super statum et bonum regimen eiusdem terre nostre transmiserimus, et super hoc per litteras nostras de priuato sigillo nostro mandauerimus dilecto et fideli nostro Willelmo de Wyndesore, gubernatori et custodi nostre terre predice, quod quoddam parliamentum in loco eiusdem terre vbi tractatus huiusmodi

¹ Mutilated at the lower left-hand corner. It was apparently in the same state when Bishop Reeves made his transcript.

conuenientius fieri poterit faceret summoniri, ac proinde et quibusdam aliis urgentissimis negotiis saluacionem et defensionem dicte terre nostre specialiter tangentibus dictum parliamentum apud Kilkenniam, die sabbati in octabis sancti Michaelis proximo futuro tenendum, de ausamento dicti gubernatoris et [custodis et] de consilio nostro eiusdem terre duximus ordinandum. Et ideo vobis in fide et dilectione quibus [nobis tenem]ini firmiter iniungendo mandamus quod vos ipsi in propria persona vestra, omni dilacione siue [excusacione] postpositis, vna cum procuratoribus sufficienter pro decano et capitulo ecclesie vestre Ardmacane [*ac ceteris de clero*] vestre diocesis potestatem sufficientem pro se et dicto clero optinentibus de assensu . . . constituendis, ibidem ad diem illum intersitis ad tractandum, concordandum et consciendum [*vestrumque consilium*] vna cum aliis prelatis, magnatibus et proceribus ibidem comparentibus impendendum super [*articulis ibidem tunc ex parte*] nostra exponendis et declarandis. Et hoc, sub pena grauioris amerciamenti erga [nos . . . incurre]nda, nullatenus omittatis. Et habeatis ibi tunc nomina procuratorum illorum et hoc breue. Teste Willelmo de [*Wyndesore, gubernatore et custode*] terre nostre Hibernie, apud Lymeryk, xviiij. die Augusti anno regni nostri Anglie xlix., regni vero nostri Francie xxxvij.

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Parliament at Kilkenny, Octave of Michaelmas, 1375.

PETITION REQUESTING RESTITUTION OF ISSUES OF LANDS TAKEN
INTO THE KING'S HANDS, ALREADY GRANTED BY WRIT UNDER
THE GREAT SEAL OF ENGLAND.

E. 101/245/9, part 2, no. 2.

Edwardus Dei gracia rex Anglie et Francie et dominus Hibernie thesaurario et camerariis de scaccario suo Hibernie salutem. Cum nuper, de assensu magni consilii nostri, pro necessaria saluacione et defensione terre nostre Hibernie ordinauerimus¹ quod quilibet homo dominia, terras, tenementa et possessiones in terra nostra predicta habens, in propria persona

¹ For the draft of these ordinances, see Foedera, III. ii. 854-5 : their final form, after they had been considered in Ireland, is uncertain (above, p. xx).

sua in dictam terram nostram venisset vel gentes ibidem misisset, iuxta ratam valoris dominiorum, terrarum, tenementorum et possessionum suorum predictorum, ante festum Pasche anno regni nostri Anglie quadragesimo tercio vel in eodem festo, ad morandum extunc ibidem in auxilium defensionis et saluacionis terre nostre predice sub pena forisfacture dominiorum, terrarum, tenementorum et possessionum predictorum, ac intelleximus quod, pro eo quod dilectus et fidelis noster Iohannes de Crophulle, chiualer, qui tempore ordinacionis facte et postmodum tenuit manerium de Casteltone cum pertinenciis iuxta Dundalke in Hibernia, et vnam carucatam terre cum pertinenciis apud le Hagarde, et sex solidatas et duas denariatas redditus cum pertinenciis in le Miltone in comitatu Louethe et diuersa alia terras et tenementa cum pertinenciis, tam in diuersis aliis comitatibus dicte terre nostre Hibernie quam in comitatu predicto, in propria persona sua non venit nec gentes sufficentes misit in terram nostram predictam iuxta ratam valoris manerii, terrarum, tenementorum et reddituum predictorum ante festum predictum nec in eodem festo, ad morandum extunc ibidem iuxta effectum ordinacionis predice, manerium, terre, tenementa et redditus predicta, virtute dicte ordinacionis tanquam nobis forisfacta, capta fuissent in manum nostram et adhuc modo manu nostra existant. Et nos de gracia speciali perdonauerimus eidem Iohanni forisfacturam nobis de manorio, terris, tenementis et redditibus predictis cum pertinenciis virtute ordinacionis predice sic incursam, et concesserimus et restituerimus eidem Iohanni pro nobis et heredibus nostris, quantum in nobis est, manerium, terras, tenementa et redditus predicta cum pertinenciis habenda et tenenda in pristino statu suo et eodem modo ac de eisdem dominis et per eadem seruicia per que manerium, terre, tenementa et redditus predicta ante forisfacturam predictam tenebantur, ordinacione predicta non obstante, prout in litteris nostris patentibus inde confectis plenius continetur.

Per quod, per diuersa brevia nostra magno sigillo consignata, sexto decimo die Februarii anno regni nostri Anglie quadragesimo octauo mandauerimus dilecto et fidi Wilhelmo de Wyndesore, gubernatori et custodi terre nostre Hibernie,

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cancellario et thesaurario nostris ibidem,¹ quod eidem Iohanni manerium, terras, tenementa et redditus predicta liberari et habere facerent iuxta tenorem litterarum nostrarum predicatorum, prout in breuibus nostris predictis plenius continetur. Super quo, litteris nostris patentibus ac breuibus nostris predictis coram prefato gubernatore ac aliis de consilio nostro in terra nostra predicta perlectis, visis et intellectis, pro eo quod eis satis fuit cognitum quod terre, tenementa et redditus predicta certis firmariis nostris, pro certa firma nobis inde annuatim reddenda, per litteras nostras patentes commissa fuerunt, de eorum communi assensu et ausamento consideratum fuerit et adiudicatum quod seruientes nostri ac firmarii nostri predicti ad essendum in cancellaria nostra Hibernie ad certum diem ad informandum nos super iure nostro in premissis per breuia nostra premuniri deberent. Per quod per diuersa breuia nostra mandauerimus singillatim vicecomitibus nostris Dublinie et Louethe ac senescallo libertatis Midie quod scire facerent seruientibus nostris predictis et Iohanni Bellewe, firmario nostro omnium terrarum et tenementorum ipsius Iohannis de Crophulle predictorum cum pertinenciis in terra nostra predicta, quod essent coram nobis in cancellaria nostra predicta ad certum diem iam preteritum ad ostendendum si quid pro nobis aut se ipsis haberent vel dicere scirent quare terre, tenementa et redditus predicta cum pertinenciis prefato Iohanni de Crophulle liberari non deberent, iuxta vim et effectum litterarum patencium et breuium nostrorum predictorum, et ad faciendum vterius et recipiendum quod curia nostra consideraret in hac parte, et quod haberent breuia nostra eis indè directa tunc ibidem.

Ac prefati vicecomes Dublinie et senescallus nobis in dicta cancellaria nostra separatim retornarunt quod scire factum extitit seruientibus nostris predictis ac prefato Iohanni Bellewe quod essent in dicta cancellaria nostra ad diem in breuibus nostris eis prefixum ad faciendum prout eadem breuia requirebant, dictusque vicecomes noster Louethe nobis similiter² in cancellaria nostra predicta retornauit quod scire fecit eidem Iohanni Bellewe ad essendum et faciendum in forma supradicta set quod prefatis seruientibus nostris scire facere

¹ *Cal. Patent Rolls*, 1370-74, p. 417; *Cal. Patent and Close Rolls*, p. 90, no. 25.
² MS. repeats 'nobis similiter.'

non potuit, pro eo quod non habuerunt terras aut tenementa in balliuua sua in quibus premuniri potuerunt nec in balliuua sua inuenti fuerunt. Ad quem quidem diem Iohannes Bellewe solemniter vocatus non venit, dictique seruientes nostri in propriis personis suis et prefatus Iohannes de Crophulle, per Iohannem Cruys attornatum suum, in eadem cancellaria comparuerunt. Idemque Iohannes de Crophulle per dictum attornatum suum pecuit terras, tenementa et redditus predicta cum pertinenciis vna cum exitibus inde a tempore perdonacionis forisfacture predicte per nos perceptis sibi liberari, iuxta vim et effectum litterarum patentium et breuium nostrorum predictorum. Et quia seruientes nostri predicti aut prefatus Iohannes Bellewe nec aliquis alias nomine nostro pro nobis aut se ipsis dicere sciuerunt aut allegare aliam causam quare terre, tenementa et redditus predicta in manu nostra de iure tenere deberemus, nisi ratione forisfacture predicte, quam vero forisfacturam sibi, ut predictitur, omnino perdonauimus, et eadem terras, tenementa et redditus cum pertinenciis restituimus eidem in eadem cancellaria nostra, consideratum fuit quod terre, tenementa et redditus predicta cum pertinenciis prefato Iohanni de Crophulle liberarentur et restituerentur iuxta vim et effectum perdonacionis et restitucionis nostrarum predictarum, et quo ad exitus et proficua predicta per nos a tempore predicto percepta, pro eo quod in dictis litteris nostris patentibus nulla facta fit mencio de restituzione eorundem, iudicium restat in suspenso quounque curia nostra aliter de eisdem foret ausata. Per quod, octauo die Maii proximo preterito, per breue nostrum mandauerimus escaetori nostro Hibernie quod eidem Iohanni de Crophulle terras et tenementa predicta cum pertinenciis liberaret habenda in forma predicta, sicut per inspeccionem rotulorum cancellarie nostre predicte nobis constat.

Et quia nos postmodum, per quoddam alium breue nostrum dicto magno sigillo nostro consignatum, mandauerimus prefato gubernatori, cancellario et thesaurario nostris quod prefato Iohanni de Crophulle omnia terras et tenementa predicta cum pertinenciis vna cum exitibus inde a predicto sextodecimo die Februarii per nos perceptis liberari et habere facerent, prout in eodem breui plenius continetur, ac eciam pro eo quod idem Iohannes de Crophulle, per quandam petitionem suam prefato

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gubernatori ac consilio nostro terre predicte in parlimiento nostro in octabis sancti Michaelis proximo preteritis tento exhibitam, nobis humiliter supplicauit quod sibi restitucionem exituum predictorum iuxta vim et effectum breuis nostri predicti fieri iubere dignaremur, exitus predictos, de auisamento dictorum gubernatoris et consilii, eidem Iohanni de Crophulle duximus restituendos. Et ideo vobis mandamus quod eidem Iohanni de Crophulle omnes exitus terrarum et tenementorum predictorum a dicto sextodecimo die Februarii per nos perceptos, et de quibus nobis ad idem scaccarium satisfactum existit, sine dilacione liberetis habendos iuxta tenorem breuis nostri predicti. Teste Willelmo de Wyndesore, gubernatore et custode terre nostre Hibernie, apud Kilkenniam, xxvj. die Octobris anno regni nostri Anglie quadragesimo nono, regni vero nostri Francie tricesimo sexto.

Per petitionem de parlimento.

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THE ABBOT OF JERPOINT PETITIONS TO BE EXCUSED FROM ATTENDANCE AT PARLIAMENTS, CONVOCATIONS AND COUNCILS.

Patent Roll, 49 Edward III.¹

Rex etc. omnibus ad quos etc. salutem. Monstrauit nobis per petitionem suam gubernatori et consilio nostro in terra nostra Hibernie in communi parliamento nostro apud Kilkenniam in octabis sancti Michaelis proximo preteritis summonito et tento exhibitam dilectus nobis in Christo abbas domus beate Marie de Ieriponte quod, licet eadem domus sit domus filialis et abbati et domui de Balkynglas subiecta, dictusque abbas de Balkynglas ad parliamenta in eadem terra nostra per nos tenta venire et in eisdem parliamentis tam pro seipso quam dicto abbate de Ieriponte ac aliis abbatibus et domibus eidem abbati de Balkynglas subiectis respondere constieuit, idem tamen abbas de Ieriponte per brevia et alia mandata nostra ad comparendum in omnibus et singulis parliamentis in dicta terra nostra per nos summonitis et tentis

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¹ Harris Coll., III. 221a-b; *Cal. Patent and Close Rolls*, p. 94, no. 166.

sepius compellitur, in ipsius abbatis de Ieriponte dampnum non modicum et grauamen et dicte domus sue depauperacionem manifestam, ut dicit. Super quo nobis supplicauit vt, premissis consideratis, eidem abbati de Ieriponte et successoribus suis quod ipsi de veniendo ad aliqua parliamenta, congregaciones siue consilia, per nos decetero summonenda et tenenda, non compellantur, de gracia nostra speciali concedere dignaremur. Nos ad premissa respectum habentes, compacientesque exilitati fructuum, reddituum et prouentuum domus de Ieriponte supradicte, volentes quod¹ proinde, et pro bono et laudabili seruicio quod predictus abbas de Ieriponte nobis in manutenciam pacis nostre sepius impendit, eidem abbati de Ieriponte et successoribus suis in hac parte gracie subuenire, ipsum abbatem de Ieriponte et successores suos de aduentu suo ad aliqua parliamenta, congregaciones siue consilia, per nos in dicta terra nostra de cetero summonenda et tenenda, totaliter excusamus et per presentes exoneramus in perpetuum, nolentes vero quod prefatus abbas de Ieriponte aut successores sui predicti, ratione non aduentus sui ad huiusmodi parliamenta, congregaciones siue consilia, per nos vel heredes nostros seu ministros quoscumque futuris temporibus occasionentur, molestetur in aliquo seu grauentur.

In cuius etc. Teste Willelmo de [Wyndesore],² gubernatore, apud Kilkenniam, xxvij^o die Octobris anno regni nostri xlix^o.

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THE PRIOR OF KELLS PETITIONS AGAINST HIS SUMMONS TO PARLIAMENT.

Memoranda Roll, 49-50 Edward III, m. 11d.³

Dominus rex mandauit breue suum de cancellaria sua Hibernie thesaurario et baronibus suis huius scaccarii directum in hec verba :

Edwardus Dei gracia rex Anglie et Francie et dominus

¹ Sic.

² The transcript reads 'Tany': possibly the original read 'Teste ipso gubernatore' and the transcriber expanded this incorrectly.

³ Ferguson Coll., i. 326; Cal. Mem. Rolls, xxxi. 60.

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Hibernie thesaurario et baronibus de scaccario suo Hibernie salutem. Monstrauit nobis, per petitionem suam gubernatori et consilio nostro in parlimento nostro apud Kilkenniam in octabis sancti Michaelis proximo preteritis tento exhibitam, prior domus beate Marie de Kenlys in Ossoria quod, licet aliqui ante hec tempora priores domus predicte, predecessores ipsius nunc prioris, ad comparendum in aliquibus parliaments per nos in eadem terra summonitis et tentis nullatenus compelli consueuerunt, idem tamen nunc prior ad veniendum ad huiusmodi parliamenta per brevia nostra sepius compellitur, in ipsius nunc prioris dampnum non modicum et grauamen et dicte domus depauperacionem manifestam, vt dicit, super quo nobis supplicauit sibi remedium adhibere. Nos, pro eo quod per prefatos gubernatorem et consilium in eodem parlimento concordatum existit quod idem prior de aduentu suo ad aliqua parliamenta per nos in eadem terra de cetero summonenda et tenenda, si idem prior per baroniā aut per parcellam baronię non teneat, totaliter exoneretur, volentesque proinde per vos plenius certiorari si idem prior per huiusmodi baroniā aut per parcellam baronię, vt predictum est, teneat nec ne, vobis mandamus quod, scrutatis rotulis et memorandis scaccarii nostri predicti premissa tangentibus, nos in cancellaria nostra Hibernie de eo quod inde inuenieritis sub sigillo eiusdem scaccarii distincte et aperte sine dilacione reddatis certiores, hoc breue nobis remittentes. Teste Willelmo de Wyndesore, gubernatore et custode terre nostre Hibernie, apud Kilkenniam tercio die Nouembbris anno regni nostri Anglie quadragesimo nono, regni vero nostri Francie tricesimo sexto.

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Quod quidem breue remittitur in cancellaria predicta indorsatum in forma que sequitur :

Pretextu cuius breuis, scrutatis rotulis et memorandis scaccarii Hibernie, in quibus reperiri non potest si dictus prior per baroniā aut per parcellam baronię teneat necne.

Parliament at Kilkenny, Octave of Michaelmas, 1375.

PETITION FOR REWARD FOR SERVICES IN TRACKING DOWN
MALEFACTORS.

E. 101/246/4, no. 40.

Edwardus Dei gracia rex Anglie et Francie et dominus Hibernie thesaurario, vel eius locum tenenti, et camerariis de scaccario suo Hibernie salutem. Supplicarunt nobis per petitionem suam gubernatori et custodi terre nostre Hibernie ac aliis de consilio nostro terre predicte in parlimento nostro apud Kylkenniam in octabis sancti Michaelis anno regni nostri Anglie quadragesimo nono tento exhibitam, dilecti nobis Galfridus Tryuers, Dauid Tryuers et Iohannes fitz Rery ut cum ipsis, pro exploracione diuersorum malefactorum qui diuersas felonias et transgressiones, tam in comitatibus Dublinie quam Midie et Kyldarie, diuersimode perpetrarunt et perpetrare non desistebant, ita quod fideles nostri parcium predictarum per eorum maliciam nimium perturbati et aggrauati extiterunt, centum solidos diuersis exploratoribus dictorum malefactorum soluerunt ac eciam circa eorum exploracionem alios sumptus et labores varios apposuerunt, per quod plures de dictis malefactoribus capti et detenti et alii suspensi fuerunt et alii in futurum, Deo mediante, per ipsos capientur, sibi in recompensacionem sumptuum et laborum suorum predictorum, ex quo nobis et non ipsis per capcionem dictorum malefactorum proficuum solummodo accreuit, aliquod rewardum competens de gracia nostra concedere dignaremur. Nos, supplicacioni sue predicte gracie annuentes in hac parte, de auisamento ipsorum gubernatoris et consilii concessimus eis decem libras nomine rewardi ex causis predictis habendas et percipiendas de bonis et catallis predictorum malefactorum nobis forisfactis seu forisfaciendis, per prefatum Iohannem in comitatibus Dublinie et Midie inquirendis et appreciandis, in manum nostram capiendis et seisiendis. Et ideo vobis mandamus, sicut alias mandauimus, quod eisdem Galfrido, Dauid et Iohanni dictas decem libras de bonis et catallis predictis, cum in manu nostra capta et seisita fuerint, solui et habere faciatis. Teste

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Iacobo le Botiller, comite Dormondie, iusticiario nostro Hibernie, apud Dubliniam, xv. die Aprilis anno regni nostri Anglie quinquagesimo primo, regni vero nostri Francie tricesimo octauo.

Per petitionem de parlamento.

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FINANCING OF THE GOVERNOR'S RETINUE.

E. 101/245/10.¹

Nouerint vniuersi nos,² Willelmum de Wyndesore, militem, gubernatorem et custodem terre domini regis Hibernie, vt cum nuper dominus rex per quasdam litteras suas de priuato sigillo suo nos certificauit quod, certis de causis que euenerunt post recessum nostrum ab ipso rege, ad expedicionem guerrarum ipsius domini regis in partibus Francie tantam effusionem expensarum fecerit et adtunc ipsum facere oportebat, precipue causa viagii quod Edmundus, comes Cauntebrigge, et Iohannes, dux Brittanie, adtunc in proximo in obsequio ipsius domini regis ad partes transmarinas erant facturi super expedicione guerrarum dicti domini regis predicta, quod solucionem adtunc pro nobis et retinencia nostra pro secundo dimidio anno more nostre in terra Hibernie, prout vellet et sicut tenetur, virtute indenture inter ipsum dominum regem et nos facte, facere non potuerit, mandans nobis quod, ordinando inter nos et prelatos, magnates et alios bonos ligeos terre ipsius domini regis predicte pro gubernacione eiusdem terre, pro mora nostra et retinencie nostre et sustenacione guerre dicti domini regis terre supradicte contra hibernicos hostes ipsius domini regis ad saluacionem eiusdem terre, meliori modo quo possemus per viam cheuancie vel aliter, continuaremus moram nostram in partibus Hibernie quousque aliud ab ipso domino rege haberemus in mandatis;

¹ This document, with the omission of the formal clauses and a few verbal changes, is reproduced in the Issue Roll, 1 October 1375–30 September 1375 (E. 101/245/8), thus enabling a few words, illegible in the original, to be supplied with certainty.

² This word is governed by 'recepisse' (p. 86) in the final clause of the immensely long and complex sentence which constitutes the operative part of this document.

super quo nos, in parlimento dicti domini regis apud Dubliniam in octabis sancti Hillarii anno regni regis Edwardi terci^a conquestu Anglie quadragesimo nono¹ tento, litteras ipsius domini regis predictas coram prelatis, magnatibus et communib[us] dicte terre ipsius domini regis ibidem conuocatis monstrauerimus et legi fecerimus, petentes insuper ab eis ex parte ipsius domini regis quod nobis, in auxilium² sustentacionis retinencie predice, per viam mutui aut alio modo, iuxta tenorem litterarum dicti domini regis predictarum vellent prouidere; ipsi quoque nichil nobis in hac parte, exceptis quibusdam personis que viginti et octo libras ex mutuo adtunc prestiterunt, prouidere voluerunt;

postmodumque per alias litteras suas de priuato sigillo suo mandauerit nobis quod nos omni modo vsque aduentum nunciorum ipsius domini regis quos versus nos, prelatos, magnates et alios bonos ligeos suos terre sue predicte mitteret in eadem terra moraremur, promittens nobis, pro tempore quo sic moram nostram traxeramus et traxerimus vltra primum annum nostrum cum dicta retinencia in terra predicta vsque aduentum nunciorum predictorum, promptam solucionem per ipsum regem nobis fieri de consimilibus vadis et regardis, pro rata temporis, que nobis soluebantur et solui deberentur pro nobis et dicta retinencia nostra iuxta tenorem et virtute indenture inter ipsum dominum regem et nos vltimo confecte pro primo anno nostro antedicto; subsequenterque, per alias litteras suas de priuato sigillo suo per Nicholaum Dagworth, militem, nobis directas, mandauit nobis, in fide et ligancia quibus sibi tenebamur, quod nos cum retinencia nostra in terra predicta moraremur quounque relatum eidem domino regi foret per predictum Nicholaum hoc quod prelati, magnates et communes terre nostre predicte vellent³ facere, supportare et ordinare tangendum quedam negotia eis per ipsum ex parte ipsius domini regis adtunc proponenda, vel vltterius nobis rescripserit et significauerit suas voluntates, vel quounque [aliud] a dicto domino rege haberemus in mandatis;

ob quod nos, per quandam peticionem prelatis, magnatibus et communib[us] terre ipsius domini regis predice in quodam alio parlimento apud Kilkenniam die sabbati in octabis sancti

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¹ Recte 'quadragesimo octauo.' E. 101/245/8 reads 'quinquagesimo'.

² Original inserts 'et'. ³ MS. 'vel'

Michaelis anno supradicto¹ tento existentibus exhibitam, monstrauerimus quod, cum nos diligenciam nostram ad homines de dicta retinencia nostra penes nos retinendos totaliter apposuerimus, dictaque retinencia nostra, occasione maximorum deperditorum que ob defectum solutionis feodorum et vadiorum suorum antea sustinuerunt, diucius in comitua nostra, debita solucione sibi de feedis et vadiis suis facienda, moram trahere noluerunt nec potuerunt vlo modo, nichilominus nos ad morandum in predicta terra in propria persona nostra in complementum mandatorum ipsius domini regis predictorum, si mora nostra predicta absque dicta retinencia nostra ad saluam gubernacionem dicte terre prodesse posset, nos prebuimus nos promptum et paratum; et pro eo quod nobis videbatur quod mora nostra personalis in eadem terra absque dicta retinencia nostra pro statu et honore ipsius domini regis saluandis [*et*] gubernacione terre predicte minime proficere valeat, dictos prelatos, magnates et communes ex parte domini regis requirebamus quod ipsi, considerantes qualiter hominibus de dicta retinencia nostra aretro extiterit de feedis et vadiis suis pro dimidio anno adtunc preterito ipseque dominus rex aliquos denarios nobis pro mora nostra et dicte retinencie nostre in eadem terra vltterius facienda nullatenus transmiserit, quomodo eadem retinencia nostra predicta super defensione eiusdem extunc morari posset ordinarent, et de eo quod super premissis et eciam pro gubernacione terre predicte facere vellent et ordinare, eorum ausamenta et responsa in dicto parliamento in scriptis exhiberent; ac iidem prelati, magnates et communes, responsa sua super premissis nobis in eodem parliamento in scriptis deliberantes, responderant quod, cum dictus dominus rex ordinauerit quod nos in dicta terra sua cum dicta retinencia nostra moraremur, nobis et consilio ipsius domini regis eiusdem terre de mora nostra et dicte retinencie nostre in eadem terra et de gubernacione eiusdem terre, et non ad dictos prelatos, magnates et communes, intromittere pertineat, et licet ipsi aliquod onus pro sustentacione nostra et dicte retinencie nostre vellent supportare, ipsi tamen huiusmodi onus, propter diuersa dampna, iacturas et paupertatem que diuersimode sustinuerent et indies sustinent, super se assumere non potuerunt;

¹ I.e. quadragesimo nono.

quibus de causis, et eciam pro eo quod prelatis, magnatibus et communibus predictis videbatur quod, si tam nos quam dicta retinencia nostra recederemus a terra predicta, in periculum perdicionis eiusdem terre Hibernie verisimiliter cedere posset, per nos et dictum consilium ordinatum et concordatum erat quod nos retineremus tot homines ad arma et sagittarios armatos de dicta retinencia a vicesimo septimo die Octobris anno regni domini regis Edwardi predicti quadragesimo nono vsque finem vnius quarterii anni extunc proximo sequentis, per superuisum et testimonium thesaurarii et cancellarii ipsius domini regis terre sue predicte, quot retinere possemus super summam quingentarum et quinquaginta et septem librarum trium solidorum et trium denariorum, quam quidem summam nos in terra ipsius domini regis predicta pro diuersis victualibus tam ad opus nostrum quam retinencie nostre capere debebamus, capiendo pro nobis et quolibet homine ad arma et sagittario armato consimilia vadia et regarda iuxta ratam porcionem que nobis per ipsum dominum regem pro primo anno more nostre soluebantur, et prout in indenturis inter ipsum dominum regem et nos confectis continetur, virtute litterarum ipsius domini regis supradictarum, ita quod nosolucionem debitam pro dictis victualibus faceremus cum ipse dominus rex nobis solutionem de vadiis et regardis tam nobis quam retinencie nostre predicte aretro existentibus fieri fecerit; quarum quidem ordinacionis et concordie pretextu, nos triginta et septem homines ad arma et quaterviginti et quinque sagittarios armatos per dictum quarterium retinuimus, quorum vadia et regarda, quolibet eorundem hominum ad arma septem libras et duas denarios et quolibet dictorum sagittariorum sexaginta et decem solidos et vnum denarium per dictum quarterium capiente, ad summam quingentorum et quinquaginta et septem librarum, trium solidorum et trium denariorum supradictam se extendunt, prout per prefatos thesaurarium et cancellarium ipsius domini regis coram consilio suo predicto est testificatum;

et insuper quia nobis et consilio videbatur dictum numerum hominum ad arma et sagittariorum ad saluacionem aut defensionem eiusdem terre domini regis sine maiori numero hominum ad arma et sagittariorum modicum prodesse posse, de auisamento nostro ordinatum extiterit et concordatum quod nos

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retineremus tot homines ad arma et sagittarios vltra numerum supradictum ad vadia et regarda predicta, per superuism et testimonium thesaurarii et cancellarii ipsius domini regis predictorum, quot nos vltra predictos triginta et septem homines ad arma et quaterviginti et quinque sagittarios armatos super saluo regimine terre domini regis predicte retinere possemus, quarum eciam ordinacionis et concordie necnon litterarum ipsius domini regis predictarum pretextu, nos retinuimus per dictum quaterium anni, vltra numerum hominum ad arma et sagittariorum predictum, decem et octo homines ad arma et triginta et nouem sagittarios armatos, quorum vadia et regarda, quolibet homine ad arma et quolibet sagittario armato capiente per dictum quarterium anni vadia et regarda modo supradicto ad summam ducentarum sexaginta et duarum librarum, sexdecim solidorum et trium denariorum se extendunt;

quam quidem summam, eo quod alibi in thesauraria ipsius domini regis iniri habetur vnde solucionem adtunc facere potuit de exitibus terre sue predicte, nobis solui et liberari voluit, recepisse de Fratre Thoma Scurlag, abbe domus sancti Thome Martiris iuxta Dubliniam, thesaurario, et camerariis scaccarii domini regis Hibernie ducentas et quatuordecim libras, quatuor solidos et quinque denarios, obolum et quadrantem in partem solucionem ducentarum sexaginta et duarum librarum, sexdecim solidorum et trium denariorum supradictorum ex causis supradictis nobis promissorum.

In cuius rei testimonium presentibus sigillum nostrum appositi 12 February suimus. Datum in scaccario supradicto, xij. die Februarii 1376 anno regni regis supradicti a conquestu Anglie quinquagesimo et Francie tricesimo septimo.

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THE BISHOP OF CORK SENDS PROCTORS BUT NEVERTHELESS IS AMERCED FOR ABSENCE.

Memoranda Roll, 3 Richard II, m.47¹.

A vous, tres reverent justice, et au conseill nostre seigneur le roi en Irlande supplie le reverent piere en Deu Geraud, esvesqe

¹ Ferguson Coll., II. 69; Cal. Mem. Rolls, xxxviii. 107.

de Cork, qe come il fuist chargé par brief nostre seigneur le roi Edward, aael nostre seigneur le roi q'or'est, de estre devant le count d'Ormonde, justice de mesme la terre d'Irlande, et le conseill au parlement tenuz a Dyvelyn le joesdy proschein ^{8 January} 1377 apres le fest del Tyffayne, l'an du reign le dit roi le aael 1., a quel jour le dit esvesqe par ses procurateurs fuist escusé qe, par la enfirmité de son corps et pur doute des chymenes, il ne purroit devaunt mesme le justice et conseill ad mesme le jour illoeques apparier, nient contre esteantz les escusatours avauntditz il estoit amercié en cent marcs, en graunt anyntisement de son povre estate. Qe plese a vostre gracious seigneurie, eauntz regard a les escusacions susditz et au lieu q'il ad tenu au nostre dit seigneur le roi le aael et enqore tient a nostre seigneur le roi q'or'est en le counté de Cork, en meyntenauntz de ses lieges et en defence des enemys, ordiner de lui descharger de mesme le amerciement, issint q'il ne soit endamagé par mesme l'absence, et ceo en oevre de charité.

Que quidem peticio indorsatur in forma que sequitur :

Soit ceste petucion mandé par brief devant les tresorer et barounz de l'eschequer, commandant a eux qe, s'ils puissent estre apris la dite petucion continer verité, qe adonques facent descharger le dit evesqe du dit amerciement, et q'ils en le mesme temps surseent de la demande et levé du dit amerciement tanq ceste chose soit enquise en le dit eschequer en maner come desus est dit..

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Parliament at Dublin, Thursday after Epiphany, 1377.

THOMAS CLIFFORD PETITIONS TO BE EXCUSED FROM ABSENCE,
DUE TO ILL-HEALTH.

Close Roll, 51 Edward III.¹

Rex thesaurario et baronibus de scaccario suo Hibernie salutem. Monstrauit nobis, per petucionem suam in parlamento nostro apud Dubliniam die iouis proxima post festum Epiphanie 8 Domini proximo preteritum tento exhibitam, dilectus et fidelis noster Thomas de Clifford, miles, vicecomes noster Lymerici, vt cum ipse ad comparendum in parlamento nostro predicto,

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¹ Harris Coll., III. 228a-b; *Cal. Patent and Close Rolls*, p. 102, no. 71.

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vnacum aliis prelatis, magnatibus [*et*] proceribus ibidem com-parentibus, ad diem predictum, ac eciam de essendo coram vobis in scaccario predicto apud Catherlaghe in quindena sancti Hillarii proximo preterita ad compotum suum ibidem de exitibus comitatus predicti fideliter reddendum, per diuersa breuia nostra habuerit in mandatis, idemque adeo morbidus et graui infirmitate iam longo tempore extiterit detentus et adhuc detentus existit quod, absque maximo corporis et vite sue periculo, ad dies et loca predicta laborare nequeat vlo modo, prout per venerabilem patrem Stephanum episcopum Midiensem et alios dicti comitatus fide dignos fideliter poterit testificari, et nobis humiliter supplicando ipsum de absencia predicta a parliamento et scaccario predictis diebus predictis ea de causa habere excusatum ac sibi respectum compoti sui predicti per certum tempus de gracia nostra speciali concedere dignaremur. Et, quia per sacramentum diuersorum fide dignorum in cancellaria nostra Hibernie nobis impresentium plenius est testatum suggestionem predictam veritatem continere, ipsum de absencia sua ad parliamentum et scaccarium predicta ad dies predictos excusamus, et respectum compoti sui predicti vsque ad quindenam Pasche proximo futuram de gracia nostra speciali concessimus. Et ideo vobis mandamus quod ipsum Thomam respectum compoti sui predicti vsque ad quindenam Pasche predictam habere permittatis, et ipsum Thomam propter absenciam suam a scaccario predicto in quindena sancti Hillarii predicta nullatenus amercietis, nec molestatis in aliquo, seu grauetis. Teste Iacobo le Botiller, comite de Ormond, iusticiario nostro, apud Dubliniam, xxvij^o die Ianuarii anno regni nostri l^j^o.

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Per petitionem de parlamento.

Parliament at Dublin, Thursday after Epiphany, 1377.

PETITION FOR REWARD FOR MILITARY SERVICES ON THE MARCHES
OF KILDARE AND CARLOW.

E. 101/246/4, no. 42.

Edwardus Dei gracia rex Anglie et Francie et dominus Hibernie thesaūrario et camerariis de scaccario suo Hibernie

salutem. Supplicauit nobis, per petitionem suam iusticiario et aliis de consilio nostro in terra nostra Hibernie in parlimiento nostro apud Dubliniam die iouis proxima post festum Epiphany Domini proximo preteritum tento exhibitam; dilectus nobis Thomas Cadelle vt cum ipse, multis annis iam transactis, in marchiis comitatuum Kildarie et Cathirlaghie, et precipue durante guerra per les OMorthes, M^cMorghs, ONolans et OBrynnes hibernicos inimicos nostros erga fideles liegos nostros vltimo mota, vna cum magna comitiua hobellariorum et peditum secum in resistenciam et repressionem dictorum inimicorum nostrorum commorancium, sumptus et expensas grandes et labores varios et deperdita quamplurima, tam in interfeccione hominum et equorum suorum in diuersis viagiis super dictos inimicos nostros et per ipsos super dictos liegos nostros diuersimode factis quam in sustentacione et retinencia hobellariorum et peditum predictorum, apponendo et sustinendo, moram traxerit continuam et adhuc trahat, que vltierius apponere seu sustinere non poterit nisi sibi imposterum melius retinere et sustentare valeat, aliquod rewardum competens de gracia nostra concedere dignaremur. Nos premissa considerantes, de auisamento ipsius iusticiarii et aliorum de consilio predicto, de laboribus, sumptibus et deperditis ipsius Thome predictis noticiam plenius habencium, concessimus ei quinque marcas habendas de dono nostro nomine rewardi ex causis predictis. Et ideo vobis mandamus quod eidem Thome dictas quinque marcas de thesauro liberetis. Teste Iacobo le Botiller, comite Dormondie, iusticiario nostro Hibernie, apud Dubliniam, vj. die Februarii anno regni nostri Anglie quinquagesimo primo, regni vero nostri Francie tricesimo octauo.

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Per petitionem de parlimento.

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FINE IMPOSED FOR ABSENCE FROM PARLIAMENT RESPITED UNTIL THE NEXT PARLIAMENT OR GREAT COUNCIL.

Close Roll, 51 Edward III.¹

Rex thesaurario et baronibus de scaccario Hibernie salutem. Supplicauit nobis per petitionem suam, iusticiario et aliis de

¹ Harris Coll., iii. 276., *Cal. Patent and Close Rolls*, p. 103, no. 88.

consilio nostro in terra nostra Hibernie exhibitam, dilectus nobis in Christo abbas de Albo Tractu vt, cum ipse per breue nostrum de comparendo in parlimento nostro apud Dubliniam vltimo tento¹, vnam aliis prelatis, magnatibus et proceribus ibidem tunc comparentibus, habuerit in mandatis, super quo, licet ipse tanta infirmitate corporali tempore dicti parlimenti et antea detentus existens quod in parlimento predicto absque corporis et vite sue periculo commode comparere seu ad dictam ciuitatem laborare non posset, constituit et ordinauit Willelmum Ilger attornatum suum et sibi potestatem sufficientem concesserit ad omnia et singula pro ipso abbate in dicto parlimento nomine suo facienda et exequenda, que ideni abbas fecisset si ibidem personaliter interfuisset, ipse tamen ad decem libras in parlimento predicto, pro eo quod non venerit in propria persona sua ad idem parliamentum, amerciatus extiterit, que quidem decem libre, vt asserit, iam ponuntur in extractis scaccarii nostri predicti inter alia debita nostra ad leuandum de ipso abbatе, et sibi, premissis consideratis, amerciamentum predictum perdonare et leuacionem eiusdem supersedere vos iubere dignaremur.

Et quia amerciamentum predictum in pleno parlimento, de auisamento prelatorum et magnatum predictorum, adiudicatum fuerit, ideo absque eorum auisamento in huiusmodi parlimento siue magno consilio nostro imposterum tenendo nullatenus poterit perdonari, de auisamento prefati iusticiarii et aliorum de consilio predicto concessimus eidem abbati respectum et adiornamentum leuacionis amerciamenti predicti hinc ad quindenam Pasche proximo futuram vt ipse pro perdonacione eiusdem amerciamenti in parlimento siue magno consilio nostro interim tenendo debite prosequi possit. Et ideo vobis mandamus quod demandam quam erga prefatum abbatem ratione amerciamenti predicti per summonicionem scaccarii predicti indies fieri facitis vsque ad dictam quindenam supersedeatis et ipsum respectum predictum interim habere permittatis iuxta formam concessionis nostre predicte, ipsum ea de causa medio tempore non molestando in aliquo seu grauando. Teste Iacobo le Botiller, comite de Ormonde, iusticiarioru nostro, apud Cork, xx^o die Iunii anno regni nostri I^o.

Per petitionem de consilio,

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¹ There is no indication that a parliament was held between January and June, 1377.

Great Council at Castledermot, Morrow of Hilary, 1378.

THE OFFICERS OF THE EXCHEQUER APPEAR IN PERSON AND REQUEST PAYMENT OF FEES AND REWARDS AS GRANTED BY EDWARD III.

E. 101/246/1 : no. 1.¹

Ricardus Dei gracia rex Anglie et Francie et dominus Hibernie thesaurario, vel eius locum tenenti, et camerariis de scaccario suo Hibernie, qui nunc sunt vel qui pro tempore fuerint, salutem. Cum nuper monstrauerint domino Edwardo nuper regi Anglie, auo nostro, nuper ministri scaccarii sui Hibernie, per petitionem suam coram dilecto et fideli consanguineo nostro Leonello, duce Clarencie, nuper locum ipsius aui nostri tenente in terra sua predicta, et aliis de consilio suo in parlimiento suo apud Kylkenniam die iouis in crastino 19 February 1366 Cinerum anno regni dicti aui nostri quadragesimo tento exhibitam, quod cum per ipsum auum nostrum et consilium suum Anglie, ac de comuni assensu et voluntate prelatorum, magnatum et procerum ac tocius communitatis terre Hibernie antedictae, concordatum fuisset et ordinatum quod scaccarium suum predictum apud villam de Cathirlaghe per Hibernicos parcium Lagenie, hostes ipsius aui nostri, vna cum partibus comitatus sui Cathirlaghie eidem ville adiacentibus quasi totaliter combustam et destructam, in reueacionem eorundem sederit et ea occasione sic assessum, ac dicti ministri sui, qui a locis et habitacionibus suis propriis ibidem in obsequio suo venire et sedere fuissent coacti, non valeant secum pro sustentacione sua, propter tam longam dicte ville et habitacionum suarum distanciam, de propriis victualibus suis prouideri, per que cum feodis officiis suis incumbentibus tempore quo dictum scaccarium apud Dubliniam extiterat sustentari solebant, propter parcitatem et carenciam huiusmodi victualium, per plures fideles dicti aui nostri de diuersis partibus eiusdem terre ad idem scaccarium confluentes et ibidem aliquamdiu morantes, de feodis suis antiquis que de ipso auo nostro tunc perceperunt et ante idem tempus, quamdiu dictum scaccarium suum ad

¹Three unnumbered documents precede this on the file. Entered on Close Roll: see *Cal. Patent and Close Rolls*, p. 105, no. 105.

²MS. 'habitacionem'.

civitatem suam Dublinie extiterat, perceperunt, comode viuere nec status suos iuxta eorum vniuscuiusque decentiam continere non potuerunt ut debuissent, in ipsorum ministrorum adnullacionem et depauperacionem manifestas. Super quo eidem aucto nostro supplicauerint ut pro eorum vberiore sustentacione, pro tempore quo scaccarium predictum ibidem moram traheret, prouidere curaret. Ipse vero premissa considerans, ac eo cicias eorum supplicationi, prout iustum fuerit, annuens, ex deliberacione consilii sui concesserit cancellario scaccarii sui predicti quinque marcas, capitali baroni viginti libras, secundario baroni decem marcas, tercio baroni decem marcas, capitali camerario decem libras, secundario camerario decem marcas, capitali grossario decem libras, secundario grossario quinque marcas, clero thesaure scribenti rotulos et tallias in recepta dicti scaccarii quinque marcas, attornato suo eiusdem scaccarii centum solidos, capitali rememoratori quinquaginta solidos, secundario rememoratori quinquaginta solidos, summonistro ibidem quatuor marcas, transcriptori extractarum quadraginta solidos, capellano celebranti diuina in capella eiusdem scaccarii quinquaginta solidos, marescallo et hostiario ibidem quinque marcas, ultra feoda sua antiqua, de thesauro suo annuatim ad terminos in dicto scaccario de solucionibus feodorum ministrorum visitatos per equales porciones ad scaccarium suum percipiendas toto tempore supradicto. Per quod vicesimo octauo die Marcii tunc proximo sequenti, per breue suum mandauerit tunc thesaurario suo Hibernie, vel eius locum tenenti, ac camerariis de scaccario suo predicto qui tunc fuerunt vel qui pro tempore forent, quod eiusdem ministris dictas pecuniarum summas de thesauro suo annuatim de termino in terminum, ut predictum est, liberarentur.

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Et quia ministri scaccarii nostri Hibernie coram dilecto consanguine nostro Iacobo le Botiller, comite Dormondie, iusticiario nostro Hibernie, ac aliis de consilio nostro ibidem, in quodam magno consilio nostro apud Tristeldermot in crastino sancti Hillarii anno regni nostri primo tento personaliter comparentes, monstrarunt quod eorum officiis deseruire aut status suos iuxta eorum vniuscuiusque decentiam continere nequierent vlo modo, nisi eis talia feoda et rewarda annuatim, quamdiu scaccarium nostrum predictum apud villam de Cathirlaghe moram traxerit, ad terminos in dicto scaccario de solucionibus

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feodorum ministrorum vsitatos, equis porcionibus ad idem scaccarium percipienda qualia dictus auus noster ministris scaccarii sui predicti, ante hec tempora dum scaccarium suum apud dictam villam de Cathirlaghe extiterat, annuatim concessit et prout ministri dicti cui nostri ibidem perceperunt, concedere dignaremur. Ac nos cum eisdem ministris nostris gracie agere volentes, vt status suos in futurum decentius continere valeant, de ausamento et assensu dictorum iusticiarii et consilii eis talia feoda et rewarda annuatim, quamdiu scaccarium nostrum predictum apud villam de Cathirlaghe moram traxerit, qualia dictus auus noster ministris suis predictis, vt premittitur, concessit, et prout ministri dicti cui nostri ibidem perceperunt ad terminos in dicto scaccario de solucionibus feodorum ministrorum vsitatos per équales porciones, ad scaccarium nostrum predictum percipienda toto tempore supradicto concessimus, prout in quadam concordia per prefatum iusticiarum et consilium ibidem inde facta et in rotulis cancellarie nostre Hibernie irrotulata nobis constat. Vobis mandamus quod dictis ministris nostris talia feoda et rewarda, quamdiu scaccarium nostrum predictum apud dictam villam de Cathirlaghe moram traxerit, ad terminos in dicto scaccario de solucionibus feodorum ministrorum vsitatos, equis porcionibus, qualia dictus auus noster ministris scaccarii sui predicti ante hec tempora dum scaccarium suum apud dictam villam de Cathirlaghe extiterat annuatim, vt predictum est, concessit, et prout ministri dicti cui nostri ibidem perceperunt de thesauro nostro, solui et liberari faciatis. Teste Iacobo le Botiller, comite Dormondie, iusticiario nostro Hibernie, apud Tristeldermot, viij. die Februarii anno regni nostri primo.

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THE TREASURER IS CHOSEN BY ADVICE OF THE COUNCIL TO ACQUAINT THE KING WITH THE STATE OF IRELAND AND TO SEEK HIS AID.

E. 101/246/5, no. 105.

Ricardus Dei gracia rex Anglie et Francie et dominus Hibernie thesaurario, vel eius locum tenenti, et camerariis de

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scaccario suo Hibernie salutem. Cum, in parlimento nostro apud Tristeldermot die lune proxima post festum Cinerum proximo preteritum summonito et tento, venerabilis pater Alexander episcopus Ossoriensis, thesaurarius noster Hibernie, nuncius ad profiscendum ad partes Anglie ad ostendendum et declarandum coram nobis et consilio nostro Anglie statum terre nostre Hibernie et pro auxilio et remedio a nobis in hac parte petendo et proseundo, de auisamento consilii nostri in Hibernia electus extiterit, ac centum libre eidem thesaurario nostro habende de dono nostro nomine rewardi pro expensis et laboris suis per ipsum circa premissa apponendis de auisamento et vnanimi assensu dicti consilii nostri in Hibernia concesse fuerant et ordinate, nosque volentes quod dicto thesaurario nostro de predictis centum libris debite satisfiat, vobis mandamus quod eidem thesaurario nostro dictas centum libras de thesauro nostro liberetis, habendas de dicto dono nostro nomine rewardi ex causis predictis, vt predictum est. Teste Iacobo le Botiller, comite Dormondie, iusticiario nostro Hibernie, apud Tristeldermot, x. die Ianuarii anno regni nostri secundo.

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Per litteras ipsius iusticiarii.

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PETITION FOR PAYMENT IN LIEU OF CERTAIN ASSIGNED TALLIES, NO LONGER OF VALUE BY REASON OF THE DEATH OF EDWARD III.

E. 101/246/5, no. 29.¹

Ricardus Dei gracia rex Anglie et Francie et dominus Hibernie thesaurario et camerariis de scaccario suo Hibernie salutem. Supplicauit nobis dilectus nobis Iohannes More, nuper hostiarius scaccarii domini Edwardi nuper regis Anglie, aui nostri, in Hibernia, vt, cum in persolucionem diuersarum summarum pecunie per ipsum Iohannem solutarum pro diuersis minutis necessariis ad opus dicti aui nostri per eundem Iohannem nuper emptis et prouisis, diuerse tallie prefato Iohanni ad receptam scaccarii predicti aui nostri extiterant assignati, vnde duo tallie decem marcarum Waltero Lenfaunt, militi,

¹ Entered on Close Roll : see *Cal. Patent and Close Rolls*, p. 104, no. 56.

tunc senescallo libertatis Tiperarie, termino sancti Michaelis
 anno regni dicti aui nostri quadragesimo octauo, tempore
 Iohannis de Coltone, decani Dublinensis, tunc thesaurarii
 eiusdem aui nostri in Hibernia, ac vna tallia octo librarum
 Thome Holhirst, nuper collectori custumarum dicti aui nostri,
 tam magnarum quam paruarum, in portu ciuitatis de Corke,
 termino supradicto, tempore eiusdem nuper thesaurarii, et
 vna tallia sexaginta et duorum solidorum et quatuor denariorum
 prefato Thome, nuper collectori dictarum custumarum in
 portu ciuitatis Dublinie, termino Pasche anno regni aui nostri
 predicti quadragesimo nono, tempore Fratris Thome Scurloke,
 abbatis domus sancti Thome Martiris iuxta Dubliniam, tunc
 locum tenentis prefati nuper thesaurarii, necnon vna tallia
 quatuordecim librarum eidem Thome Holhyrst, nuper col-
 lectori dictarum custumarum in portu ville de Drogheda,
 termino sancti Hillarii anno regni eiusdem aui nostri quinqua-
 gesimo, tempore Alexandri episcopi Ossoriensis, tunc thesau-
 rarii dicti aui nostri in eadem terra, et eciam vna tallia centum
 solidorum prefato Thome Holhyrst, nuper collectori dictarum
 custumarum in portu dicte ciuitatis Corke, termino. [sancti]
 Hillarii anno quinquagesimo antedicto, tempore prefati epis-
 copi, tunc thesaurarii, vt predictitur, ad receptam predictam
 leuate extiterunt, idemque Iohannes nullum denarium de
 summis in dictis talliis contentis de prefatis Waltero et Thoma
 Holhyrst ante mortem ipsius aui nostri receperit nec postea,
 occasione mortis eiusdem aui nostri, recipere potuisset, velimus
 eidem Iohanni More de remedio congruo in hac parte prouidere.
 Nos eidem Iohanni More quod iustum fuerit super premissis
 fieri volentes, prout decet, vobis mandamus quod, talliis pre-
 dictis a prefato Iohanne More receptis et dampnatis, ita quod
 eidem Walterus et Thomas Holhyrst nullum beneficium aut
 allocacionem inde imposterum optinebunt, eidem Iohanni
 More debitam assignacionem aut solucionem de thesauro nostro
 de summis supradictis fieri et habere faciatis. Teste Iacobo le
 Botiller, comite Dormondie, iusticiario nostro Hibernie, apud
 Tristeldermot, xxij. die Marcii anno regni nostri primo.

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Per petitionem de parlamento.

Parliament at Castledermot, Monday after Ash Wednesday, 1378.**PETITION OF DISPOSSESSED IRISH CHIEF FOR REWARD FOR HIS SERVICES.**E. 101/246/5, no. 65.¹

Ricardus Dei gracia rex Anglie et Francie et dominus Hibernie thesaurario et camerariis de scaccario suo Hibernie salutem. Monstrauit nobis, per petitionem suam iusticiario et consilio nostris in terra nostra Hibernie in parlimendo nostro apud Tristel dermot die lune proxima post festum Cinerum proximo preteritum sumonito et tento exhibitam, Tirrelaghe O'Brien vt, cum tempore quo Willelmus de Wyndesore, gubernator et custos terre nostre Hibernie, videlicet tempore domini Edwardi nuper regis Anglie, aui nostri, extitit, idem Tirrelaghe in capitaneum sue nacionis, scilicet in O'Brien de Tothemonia, per regalem potenciam fuerat constitutus, predictusque Tirrelaghe, pretextu nominis et oneris que in hac parte susceperebat, guerram fortissimam versus antiquum O'Brien, tunc inimicum et rebellem eiusdem aui nostri, qui fideles liegos dicti aui nostri et nostros et partes Momonie pro posse destruere nitebatur, quousque idem Tirrelaghe a patria sua pro defectu auxillii ab ipso auo nostro, prout sibi in ea parte promissum fuit, habiti, per potentiam ipsius antiqui O'Brien expulsus fuerat, continuauerit, sumptus graues et labores ex causis premissis apponendo, iamque idem Tirrelaghe occasionibus predictis non habeat vnde viuere valeat, nobis humiliter supplicando vt, premissis consideratis, velimus ipsum in hac necessitate sua gracie remunerare. Nos, supplicationi sue predicte annuentes, concessimus eidem Tirrelaghe quadraginta marcas, habendas de dono nostro nomine rewardi ex causis predictis, et ideo vobis mandamus quod eidem Tirrelaghe dictas quadraginta marcas de thesauro nostro liberetis. Teste Iacobo le Botiller, comite Dormondie, iusticiario nostro Hibernie, apud Tristel dermot, xxiiij. die Marcii, anno regni nostri primo. Per petitionem de parlimendo.

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¹ Entered on Close Roll: see *Cal. Patent and Close Rolls*, p. 103, no. 23.

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PETITION OF THE ABBOT OF TRACTON FOR THE REMISSION OF A
FINE IMPOSED FOR ABSENCE FROM PARLIAMENT.Memoranda Roll, 3 Richard II, m.35d.¹

Dominus rex mandauit breue suum de cancellaria sua Hibernie thesaurario et baronibus huius scaccarii directum, quod est inter breuia de Anglia de anno primo regis nunc in hec verba :

Ricardus Dei gracia rex Anglie et Francie et dominus Hibernie thesaurario et baronibus de scaccario suo Hibernie salutem. Quandam peticionem iusticiario et consilio nostris in terra nostra Hibernie, in parlimento nostro apud Tristel-dermot die lune proxima post festum Cinerum proximo preteri-
tum summonito et tento, per abbatem domus beate Marie de Traghton exhibitam et per ipsos ibidem indorsatam vobis mittimus presentibus interclusam, mandantes quod, visa peti-
cione predicta et indorsamento eiusdem, si per inquisicionem inde coram vobis capiendam vobis constare poterit contenta in eadem peticione veritatem continere, tunc ipsum abbatem de decem libris in dicta peticione specificatis ad idem scaccarium exonerari et quietum esse faciatis. Et nichilominus demandam, si quam prefato abbati ad respondendum nobis ad idem scaccarium de decem libris predictis per summoniciones eiusdem scaccarii feceritis vel facere intenderitis, supersedeatis quoisque de veritate contentorum in peticione predicta per vos inquisitum fuerit in forma predicta. Teste Iacobo le Botiller, comite Dormondie, iusticiario nostro Hibernie, apud Tristeldermot,
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Et tenor peticionis, de qua fit mencio superius in breui,
sequitur in hec verba :

A justice et as piers de parlement supplie l'abbé de la méson de nostre Dame de Traghton qe, come brief le roi Edward, aiell nostre seigneur le roi q'or'est, lui vint de estre a une parlement tenutz a Dyvelin devaunt monsire William de Wyndesore, au temps q'il estoit governour et gardelyn de la terre d'Irland, en le demayn de Typhayn l'an du reign le dit roi aiell xlviij.,²

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1378¹ Ferguson Coll. II. 69; Cal. Mem. Rolls, xxxiii. 66.² There must be a mistake here, for parliament was summoned for the *octave* of Hilary in 1375: the parliament summoned for the morrow of Epiphany in 1377 may be intended.

a quel temps il estoit malade, issint q'il ne purroit venir illoeqes saunz pereill de sa vie, et fist le priour de Legan et l'abbé de Quer Benet procuratours pur luy, par ses lettres desouth le commune seall de sa dite meson, de assenter et dissasenter pur luy come luy mesme fusse illoeqes en propre person, queux prior et abbé de Quer Benet vinderunt a dit parlement. Et le dit abbé de Traghton illoeqez fust appellé, et les ditz prior et le abbé de Quer Benet luy excuserent de les causes susditz et de ceo¹ fierent lour serement, et respondirent pour lui come procuratours et moustrerunt lour lettre de procuratorie. Ceo nyent contre esteaunt, le defaut² du dit abbé de Traghton fust recordé, et estoit amercié en dix livres a contre ley et resoun, a ceo qe lui semble. Que vous plese sur ceo luy ordiner covenable remedye, et ceo en oeuvre de charité.

Que quidem peticio indorsatur sic :

Soit ceste peticion mandé par brief devant les tresorer et barons de l'eschequer et illoeqes soit enquis si la peticion contient verité, et, si ensy soit trové, soit deschargé de la dit amerciement, et q'ils surseent de la demande et le levé du dit amerciement en le mesme temps.

Et super hoc, vj. die Maii hoc termino, hic in scaccario coram baronibus venit predictus abbas, per Thomam Pollard attornatum suum, et dicit quod idem abbas ad parliamentum predictum ad diem predictum ad premissa facienda propter egritudinem corporis sui absque periculo vite sue laborare non potuit, et petit ipsum ea de causa exonerari erga dominum regem de amerciamento predicto etc. Et Robertus Hore, attornatus domini regis, qui pro domino rege sequitur in hac parte, dicit pro domino rege quod predictus abbas tempore predicto infirmus non fuit sed extitit sanus et incolumis, et quod ipse ad parliamentum predictum ad diem predictum absque periculo vite sue venisse potuit si voluisset, et hoc offert verificare pro domino rege etc. Et predictus abbas per predictum attornatum suum similiter etc. Ideo inquiratur inde etc. Et preceptum est vicecomiti Corke quod venire faciat hic a die sancte Trinitatis in xv. dies de visneto de Traghton xij. etc., per quos etc., et qui nec etc., ad recognoscendum etc. Et idem dies datus est prefato abbati per predictum attornatum suum etc. Et interim respectum etc.

¹ Both MSS. 'sez.'

² Both MSS. 'defaunt.'

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Parliament at Castledermot, Monday after Ash Wednesday, 1378.**PETITION OF THE SHERIFF OF CARLOW FOR ASSISTANCE IN PAYING COMPENSATION FOR SLAYING AN IRISH CHIEF.**E. 101/246/5; no. 122.¹

Ricardus Dei gracia rex Anglie et Francie et dominus Hibernie thesaurario et camerariis de scaccario suo Hibernie salutem. Supplicauit nobis Galfridus de Vale, vicecomes noster comitatus Cathirlaghie, vt cum ipse M^eMurghe, sue nationis capitaneo, de quadraginta libris pro occidente Donaldi Keuenaghe, nuper M^eMurghe vocati, per predictum Galfridum interficti, debeat satisfacere, idemque Galfridus de bonis suis propriis non habeat vnde solucionem dictorum quadraginta librarum prefato nunc M^eMurghe facere valeat, eidem Galfrido, habita consideracione grauium dampnorum et magne persecucionis que ipse, occasione predicta, diuersimode sustinuit, aliquod rewardum competens in auxilium persolucionis dictarum quadraginta librarum concedere dignaremur. Nos, eidem Galfrido in ea parte graciouse volentes subuenire, concessimus eidem Galfrido viginti marcas, habendas de dono nostro nomine rewardi ex causis supradictis. Et ideo vobis mandamus quod eidem Galfrido dictas viginti marcas de thesauro nostro liberetis. Teste Iacobo le Botiller, comite Dormondie, iusticiario nostro Hibernie, apud Tristeldermot, xxvj. die Marcii anno regni nostri primo.

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Parliament at Castledermot, Monday after Ash Wednesday, 1378.**TREATY WITH MURGH O'BRIEN AND THE LEVY OF 100 MARKS AGREED TO BE PAID TO HIM.**E. 101/246/5, no. 37.²

Ricardus Dei gracia rex Anglie et Francie et dominus Hibernie thesaurario et camerariis de scaccario suo Hibernie salutem. Cum Murgh O'Brien, aggregata sibi magna potencia hominum

¹ Entered on Close Roll: see *Cal. Patent and Close Rolls*, p. 104, no. 48.² Entered on Close Roll: see *Cal. Patent and Close Rolls*, p. 104, no. 44.

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hibernicorum, inimicorum et rebellium nostrorum parcium Momonie, ad partes Lagenie in auxilium hibernicorum inimicorum nostrorum earundem parcium Lagenie nuper veniebat, fideles ligos nostros ad dictas partes Lagenie guerrare et pro viribus destruere proponebat, ac iusticiarius et consilium nostrum in terra nostra Hibernie, necnon prelati, magnates, proceres et communes, in parlimento nostro apud Tristel-dermot die lune proxima post festum Cinerum proximo preteritum summonito et tento congregati, percipientes dampna et mala que dictus Murghe cum dicta potencia sua in dictis partibus Lagenie absque resistencia aliqua leuitè faceret, si ibidem vterius morari permitteretur, ordinauerint et concordauerint inter se in parlimento nostro predicto quod idem Murghe haberet centum marcas ita quod ipse cum dicta potencia sua a dictis partibus Lagenie se retraheret et nunquam malum ibidem extunc faceret nec fieri procuraret. Dictusque Murghe ad id faciendum, tactis sacrosanctis euangeliis coram dicto consilio iurando, manuceperit. Ac cleri et communes comitatum Dublinie, Kyldarie, Kilkennie et Weysfordie dictas centum marcas, nouem marcis exceptis, de ipsis leuari et ad opus eiusdem Murghe ex causa predicta soluere concesserint. Ac pro eo quod idem Murghe cum dicta potencia sua a dictis partibus Lagenie exiri noluit nec intendebat, nisi sibi de eisdem centum marcis statim et integre satisficeret, de auisamento dictorum iusticiarii et consilii, aduertencium dampna et mala que dictis partibus Lagenie per moram ipsius Murghe ibidem facilius generarentur, concordatum extitit quod dicte nouem marce eidem Murghe in persolucionem dictarum centum marcarum de thesauro nostro soluerentur. Nosque per breue nostrum mandauerimus vobis quod eidem Murghe dictas nouem marcas de thesauro nostro liberaretis, et vterius, pro eo quod quateruiginti et vndecim marce per dictos clerros et communes prefato Murghe in partem solucionis dictarum centum marcarum separatim concesse de eisdem tam cito non possent leuari, assignauerimus certos commissionarios nostros ad dictas quateruiginti et vndecim marcas de dictis cleris et communibus iuxta eorum concessionem leuandas et colligendas et ad respondendum nobis inde ad scaccarium nostrum predictum, sicut per inspeccionem rotulorum cancellarie nostre Hibernie nobis constat. Super quo et pro eo quod

idem Murghe diem aut inducias de dictis centum marcis noluit concedere, per ipsos iusticiarum et consilium similiter concordatum et vobis, prefate thesaurarie, iniunctum et oneratum extiterit, quod vos, prefate thesaurarie, de pecunia, equis, armaturis et aliis rebus necessariis ad valenciam dictarum centum marcarum, vbiunque melius possetis, prouidentiam faceretis et eidem Murghe inde absque dilacione satisfaceretis. Vosque, prefate thesaurarie, pretextu concordie, iniunctionis et oneris predictorum, dictas centum marcas prefato modo qui sequitur solueretis, videlicet, de thesauro nostro nouem marcas, et per manus prioris Hospitalis sancti Iohannis Ierusalem in Hibernia sexdecim marcas, et per manus Willelmi fitz William vnum equum pro viginti marcis, et per manus Fratris Iohannis fitz Gerald, magistri de Kilclogan, vnum equum et vnam loricam pro viginti et quinque marcis, et per manus Roberti Lughtburgh vnum equum pro viginti marcis, et per manus Iohannis More vnum lectum pro triginta solidis, et per manus Patricii de la Freigne et Roberti de la Freigne, militum, septem marcas et decem solidos. Ac vos, prefate thesaurarie, plegius pro summis que dictis personis sic debentur soluendis deueneritis, et vos eisdem personis pro solucione dictarum summarum eis facienda obligaueritis. Et quia per eosdem iusticiarum et consilium extitit concordatum quod, ex quo nobis de dictis quateruiginti et vndeclim marcis ad dictum scaccarium nostrum debeat responderi et vos, prefate thesaurarie, et camerarii, dictas quateruiginti et vndeclim marcas personis predictis, ut predicitur, debitas eisdem personis in vestram exoneracionem, prefate thesaurarie, de thesauro nostro solueritis, vobis, prefato thesaurario et camerariis, mandamus quod personis predictis summas supradictas eis sic debitas de thesauro nostro predicto liberetis. Teste Iacobo le Botiller, comite Dormondie, iusticiario nostro Hibernie, apud Dubliniam, viij. die Aprilis anno regni nostri primo.

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Parliament at Castledermot, Monday after Ash Wednesday, 1378.

PETITION FOR PAYMENT FOR GOODS TAKEN BY JOHN SCROPE,
CLERK OF WAGES AND WORKS TO EDWARD III.E. 101/246/5, no. 126¹.

Ricardus Dei gracia rex Anglie et Francie et dominus Hibernie
 thesaurario, vel eius locum tenenti, et camerariis de scaccario
 suo Hibernie salutem. Monstrauit nobis, per petitionem suam
 iusticiario et aliis de consilio nostro in terra nostra Hibernie in
 parliamento nostro apud Tristeldermot die lune proxima post
 festum Cinerum proximo preteritum summonito et tento
 exhibitam, dilectus nobis Iohannes Beek, ciuis ciuitatis nostre
 Dublinie, vt cum quidam Iohannes Scrope, tempore quo ipse
 clericus vadiorum et operum domini Edwardi, nuper regis
 Anglie, aui nostri, in Hibernia extitit, diuersa bona et catalla
 a prefato Iohanne Beek ad valenciam sexaginta et vndecim
 solidorum ad opus dicti aui nostri cepisset, ac licet idem
 Iohannes Beek per petitionem suam Willelmo de Wyndesore,
 tunc gubernatori et custodi terre predicte, ac aliis de consilio
 dicti aui nostri ibidem alias exhibitam pro solucione dictorum
 sexaginta et vndecim solidorum a dicto auo nostro habenda
 diu fuisse prosequetus, ipse tamen solucionem eorundem sexa-
 ginta et vndecim solidorum habere non potuit nec adhuc habet.
 Super quo nobis supplicauit vt sibi solucionem dictorum sexa-
 ginta et vndecim solidorum fieri iubere dignaremur. Et quia,
 per recordum inde extra scaccarium nostrum predictum in
 cancellariam nostram Hibernie de mandato nostro missum et
 coram consilio nostro predicto monstratum, pleniū constat
 quod predictus Iohannes Beek diuersa bona et catalla ad
 summam dictorum sexaginta et vndecim solidorum extendencia
 prefato Iohanni Scrope ad opus aui nostri, vt predictum
 est, liberauit, volentes tam pro nobis quam pro prefato
 Iohanne Beek quod iustum fuerit fieri in hac parte, vobis, pre-
 fate thesaurarie, et baronibus scaccarii nostri predicti per
 breue nostrum nuper mandauerimus quod, scrutatis rotulis et
 memorandis scaccarii predicti tam de tempore dicti aui nostri
 quam nostro, si per inspexionem eorundem vobis constare

¹ Entered on Close Roll : see *Cal. Patent and Close Rolls*, p. 103, no. 16.

posset ipsum Iohannem Beek de sexaginta et vndecim solidis predictis aliquam allocacionem aliquo modo habuisse, tunc nos in cancellaria nostra predicta de eo quod inde inueniretis sub sigillo eiusdem scaccarii redderetis certiores. Vosque, prefati thesaurarius et barones, nobis retornaueritis quod, scrutatis rotulis et memorandis predictis, in eisdem repperiri non potest quod prefatus Iohannes Beek aliquam allocacionem habuit de sexaginta et vndecim solidis supradictis. Et quia volumus quod eidem Iohanni Beek de eisdem sexaginta et vndecim solidis debite satisfiat, vobis mandamus quod eidem Iohanni Beek dictos sexaginta et vndecim solidos de thesauro nostro liberetis. Teste Iacobo le Botiller, comite Dormondie, iusticiario nostro Hibernie, apud Dubliniam, vj. die Maii anno⁶ regni nostri primo.

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Per petitionem de parlamento.

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Parliament at Castledermot, Monday after Ash Wednesday, 1378.

EXPENSES OF THE CHANCELLOR IN COMING TO THE PARLIAMENT AND THE PRECEDING COUNCIL, PAID AND SUBSEQUENTLY DISALLOWED ON AUDIT.

A.—JUSTICIAR'S WRIT OF LIBERATE.

E. 101/246/5, no. 103¹.

Ricardus Dei gracia rex Anglie et Francie et dominus Hibernie thesaurario, vel eius locum tenenti, ac camerariis de scaccario suo Hibernie salutem. Volentes venerabili patri Roberto archiepiscopo Dublinensi, cancellario nostro Hibernie, in recompensationem sumptuum et laborum quos ipse in obsequio nostro veniendo tam ad consilium nostrum apud Tristidermot nuper tentum quam ad parliamentum nostrum ibidem die lune proxima post festum Cinerum proximo pre-⁸ teritum summonitum et tentum, et ad eadem consilium et parliamentum nostra per quatuor septimanas continue morando, diuersimode sustinuit, de remuneracione aliquali prouidere, de ausiamento consilii nostri in terra nostra Hibernie conces- simus eidem archiepiscopo, cancellario nostro, viginti libras,

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¹ Entered on Close Roll: see *Cal. Patent and Close Rolls*, p. 103, no. 12.

habendas de dono nostro nomine rewardi ex causis supradictis.
Et ideo vobis mandamus quod eidem archiepiscopo, cancellario
nostro; dictas viginti libras de thesauro nostro liberetis. Teste
Iacobo le Botiller, comite Dormondie, iusticiario nostro, apud
Tristeldermot, xxix. die Marcii anno regni nostri primo.

29 March
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Per ipsum iusticiarum et consilium.

B.—KING'S PRIVY-SEAL WRIT.

E. 159/161 (8 Richard II), Brevia, Hilary, m. 22.

Pur l'evesque de Osserie.—Richard par la grace de Dieu royst etc. as tresorer et barouns de nostre eschequer saluz. Moustre nous ad l'onurable piere en Dieu l'evesque de Osserie, nostre tresorer d'Irlande, coment par la ou nadgaires de l'avis de nos justices et autres de nostre conseil esteant en nostre tere d'Irlande, et par force du brief a li direct desuz nostre grant seal d'Irlande, les deputez du dit evesque delivererent a l'ercevesque de Dyvelyn, lors nostre chanceller d'Irlande, vynt livres de nostre doun par voie de regard pur ces travalx et coustages en venant de sa mesoun a diverses noz parlementz et conseils tenuz en nostre dit tere, sicome par le dit brief et par les lettres d'aquitance queles le dit evesque desouz le seal du dit ercevesque poet apparoir plus a plein, et les queux brief [et] acquittance le dit evesque vous ad moustréz en nostre dit eschequer sur son aconte. Si ne avez vous voluz nientmains faire allouance ne descharger le dit evesque de les vynt livres susdites, si bien pur ce qe le dit ercevesque estoit lors nostre chanceller d'Irlande, come desus, et par tant estoit tenuz de venir a noz conseils et parlementz en nostre dit terre a cause de cel office, sanz regard avoir par celle cause, come pur ceo qe le dit evesque estoit a mesme le temps un de nostre conseil de nostre dit terre et qe par tant il ne deust avoir assentuz ne fait le dit paiement au dit ercevesque par le dit cause, sicome vous semble. Nous, a la supplicacioun du dit evesque, et par consideracioun de ce q'il ad fait foy devant nostre conseil coment, au temps qe les dites vynt livres estient ordinéz d'estre, et furent, deliveréz au dit ercevesque par la dit enchesoun, mesme l'evesque estoit en nostre realme d'Engletere en pursuant certains busoignes touchantz lestatt¹ et profit de

¹ Sic.

nostre dit terre d'Irlande, si que pur lors il n'estoit mie present de nostre dit conseil en Irlande pur ordiner ne assenterau dit paientement, volons, de l'avis de nostre conseil, et vous mandoms qe de les dites vynt livres facez deschargéz le dit evesque en son dit aconte et ent estre quites envers nous a nostre eschequer avantdit, chargeantz outre de mesmes les vynt livres en mesme nostre eschequer le dit ercevesque envers nous. Don[ē] souz nostre privé seal a Westmoustier, le xxiiij. jour de Feverer l'an 24 February 1385 de nostre regne oytsme.

C.—TREASURER'S ACCOUNT.

E. 364/18, m. F.¹

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Et Roberto archiepiscopo Dublinensi, cancellario regis Hibernie, percipienti, nomine rewardi veniendo tam ad consilium regis apud Tristeldermot nuper tentum quam ad parliamentum regis ibidem per iiiij^o septimanas infra tempus huius compoti, xx. libras per breue dicte cancellarie et litteras ipsius Roberti de receptione, sicut continetur ibidem. De quibus quidem xx. libris idem archiepiscopus, qui extitit cancellarius et tenetur venire ad consilium et parliamenta regis absque aliquo rewardo inde de rege capiendo, et per breue regis de priuato sigillo datum xxiiij. die Februarii anno viij^o thesaurario et baronibus huius scaccarii directum, quod est inter communia de termino sancti Hillarri eodem anno, per quod breue rex mandauit eisdem thesaurario et baronibus quod dictum thesaurarium in compoto suo de predictis xx. libris exonerari et quietum esse facerent, onerando vltterius dictum archiepiscopum de eisdem xx. libris, debet respondere. Et respondet infra.

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Robertus archiepiscopus Dublinensis, cancellarius regis Hibernie, veniens ad consilium et parliamentum regis apud Tristeldermot, debet respondere de xx. libris receptis de predicto thesaurario nomine rewardi causa predicta ibidem. Et respondet in rotulo xj^o in Londoniis.

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¹ Account of Alexander, bishop of Ossory, treasurer of Ireland from 18 July 1376 to 29 September 1383.

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Council at Castledermot, 30 April 1379.

FINANCING OF ARMED FORCE FROM ENGLAND.

A.—JUSTICIAR'S WRIT AUTHORISING PAYMENT TO CLERK OF WAGES.

E. 101/245/1, part 2, no. 11.

Ricardus Dei gracia rex Anglie et Francie et dominus Hibernie venerabili in Christo patri Alexandro episcopo Ossoriensi, thesaurario nostro Hibernie, salutem. Cum per consilium nostrum Anglie due mille marce ad deliberandum vobis de thesauro nostro Anglie ad ducendum vobiscum ad partes Hibernie, per quasdam indenturas inter nos et vos inde confectas, fuerant ordinate, ita quod cum illa summa, et cum aliis summis et proficuis ad nos in terra nostra Hibernie, ultra onera necessaria que de dictis exitibus et proficuis et exitibus eiusdem terre nostre in eadem terra nostra solui oporteret, prouenientibus et pertinentibus, gentes patrie predicte, quociens opus foret seu necessitas exposceret, per auisamentum iusticiarii, cancellarii, thesaurarii, comitis Kildarie et aliorum de consilio nostro in terra nostra predicta, possent congregari et solui, pro temporibus quibus huiusmodi gentes ad resistendum inimicis et rebellibus nostris in saluacionem et defensionem terre nostre predicte congregarentur. Ac in eisdem indenturis specificetur quod vos nichil solueritis de summa predicta absque speciali mandato nostro de tempore in tempus, videlicet per brevia nostra, sub magno sigillo nostro quo utimur in dicta terra, que vobis super premissis, per auisamentum et ordinacionem dicti iusticiarii nostri et aliorum de consilio nostro predicto in terra predicta, quando tales congregaciones fieri contingerit, ut predictum est, conficerentur. Vosque onerabamini quod gentibus ad arma, hobellariis et sagittariis patrie terre nostre antedictae, nisi talia vadia qualia in eadem terra ante illa tempora solui consueuerant, nullatenus solueritis, prout in indenturis predictis coram dictis iusticiario et consilio per vos ostensis continetur.

Et quia vos coram dictis iusticiario, custode magni sigilli nostri predicti, comite Kildarie et aliis de consilio nostro Hibernie predicto, fidem fecistis quod vos nisi mille marcas de dicto thesauro nostro Anglie ad opus nostrum recepistis, prout

idem comes Kildarie similiter testatur, et quod de dictis mille marcis, virtute quarundam litterarum nostrarum sigillo nostro priuato signatarum et vobis postea directarum et coram dictis iusticiario, custode magni sigilli nostri, comite Kildarie et aliis de dicto consilio nostro Hibernie ostensarum, vos quandam summam pecunie de illis mille marcis pro vadiis hominum ad arma et sagittariorum de Anglia in commitiua vestra ad partes Hibernie missorum et ad mare in partibus Anglie super passagio suo versus partes Hibernie commorancium soluere oportebat— et licet summa remanens penes vos de dictis mille marcis iuxta formam dictarum indenturarum, et non aliter, expendi deberet —pro eo tamen quod nichil a nobis ab Anglia extitit transmissum pro saluacione et gubernacione dicte terre nostre infra medietatem anni iam ultimo preteriti, prout per dictum consilium nostrum Anglie fuit promissum, sicut in indenturis predictis specificatur, et retinencia missa ad partes Hibernie ad commorandum ibidem pro saluacione terre nostre predicte pro dicto dimidio anno iam finito ad partes Anglie transferre se dispositus (quod, si fieret, inimici et rebelles nostri confortarentur ac fideles ligei nostri terre nostre predicte disconfortarentur et distruerentur, ac terra nostra predicta, vt verisimile est, facilius adnichilaretur), premissis per dictos iusticiarum et consilium pensatis et consideratis, de ausamento ipsorum iusticiarii, custodis magni sigilli nostri, thesaurarii, comitis Kildarie et aliorum de consilio terre nostre predicte, ac meliorum hominum comitatuum Dublinie, Kildarie, Cathirlaghie et Kilkennie, apud Tristeldermot presenti die congregatorum, concordatum et ordinatum existit quod, de retinencia predicta, viginti et quatuor homines ad arma et centum et viginti sagittarii super residuo dictarum mille marcarum penes vos, vt est dictum, remanente nobiscum in eadem terra nostra, pro saluacione et defensione eiusdem, pro uno quarterio anni retineantur, dicto quarterio incipiente in festo Apostolorum Philippi et Iacobi proximo ¹ May 1379 futuro, quolibet homine ad arma capiente per diem duodecim denarios pro vadiis suis et pro rewardo suo pro dicto quarterio anni quadraginta solidos, et quolibet sagittario capiente per diem pro vadiis suis sex denarios, per manus clerici nostri ad vadie et alia per totam terram nostram predictam soluenda per nos assignati—dicta ordinacione, quod summa predicta super gentes patrie, vt predicitur, expendi et eisdem iuxta consue-

tudinem vadiorum in dicta terra hactenus solui deberet, non obstante, et hoc occasione presentis necessitatis et periculorum iam eminencium euitandorum, que leuiter euenire possent si taliter non expenderetur—et quod sufficiencia waranta per breuia nostra de cancellaria nostra Hibernie vobis fiant ad deliberandum dicto clero nostro ad vadia, vadia et rewarda dictis viginti et quatuor hominibus ad arma et centum et viginti sagittariis pro dicto quarterio futuro, vt predictum est, soluenda ; prouiso quod de eo quod, de summa dictarum mille marcarum que penes vos vltra vadia et rewarda predicta, vt predictum est, soluenda remanserit, medietas ex parte boriali pontis de Leghlyn et alia medietas ex parte australi eiusdem pontis super gentes patrie sic, vt predictitur, congregandos expendatur, prout in concordia et ordinacione predictis plane liquet. Et quia vadia et rewarda eisdem viginti et quatuor hominibus ad arma et centum et viginti sagittariis pro dicto quarterio anni, vt predictitur, futuro soluenda ad quadringtonas et triginta libras et quatuor solidos se extendunt, ac volentes quod solucio debita predictis hominibus ad arma et sagittariis de vadiis et rewardis suis predictis fiat in forma supradicta, vobis mandamus quod dilecto clero nostro Radulfo de Beltesford, clero nostro ad vadia nostra in eadem terra soluenda per nos specialiter assignato, dictas quadringtonas et triginta libras et quatuor solidos, de dicta summa mille marcarum penes vos remanente, ad soluendum vadia et rewarda dictis hominibus ad arma et sagittariis pro dicto quarterio anni sic futuro liberetis. Teste Iacobo le Botiller, comite Ermonie, iusticiario nostro Hibernie, apud Tristeldermot, xxx. die Aprilis anno regni nostri secundo.

30 April
1379

B.—JUSTICIAR'S WRIT AUTHORISING FURTHER PAYMENT.

E. 101/246/1, part I (second unnumbered document).

Ricardus [etc., as A, of which it recites the substance, then continuing] pro eo tamen quod, dicto quarterio finito, nichil per nos et consilium nostrum Anglie pro gubernacione terre predicte extitit transmissum, prout per dictum consilium nostrum in Anglia promittitur, et retinencia predicta in eadem terra nostra vltra dictum quarterium super defensione terre nostre antedicte, nisi sibi de vadiis et rewardis suis imposterum prouideatur, moram trahere non intendit, de ausimento

locum tenentis iusticiarii nostri ac dictorum custodis magni sigilli nostri, thesaurarii, comitis Kildarie et aliorum de consilio nostro predicto, aduertencium guerras fortissimas in dicta terra nostra indies existentes ac dampna et mala que terre nostre predicte et fideli populo nostro ibidem per recessum dicte retinencie ab eadem terra nostra leuiter poterunt euenire, concordatum est quod centum et tres libre et decem solidi penes vos de dictis mille marcis, vltra dicta vadia et rewarda dictis hominibus ad arma et sagittariis pro dicto quarterio anni iam finito soluta, remanentes, dicto clero nostro ad vadia, pro vadiis et rewardis dictorum hominum ad arma et sagittariorum pro tempore quo dicta summa centum et trium librarum et decem solidorum durare poterit, soluenda, per vos liberentur, dictis ordinacionibus tam in Anglia quam in Hibernia quod summa predicta penes vos remanens super gentes patrie, vt predictitur, congregandos expendi, et eisdem iuxta consuetudinem vadiorum in dicta terra hactenus solui vsitatam et quod medietas dictorum centum et trium librarum et decem solidorum ex parte boreali pontis predicti et alia medietas ex parte australi eiusdem pontis super congregacionibus gencium patrie faciendis expendi deberet, non obstantibus. Et ideo vobis mandamus quod dilecto clero nostro Radulfo de Beltesford, clero nostro ad vadia dicta nostra in eadem terra soluenda specialiter assignato, dictos centum et tres libras et decem solidos sic penes vos de dictis mille marcis adhuc remanentes liberetis. Teste Iacobo filio Iacobi le Botiller, comitis Dermondie, iusticiarii nostri Hibernie, locum tenente ipsius iusticiarii nostri, apud Mologmast, xxxij. die Iulii anno regni nostri 31 July 1379 tercio.

C.—RECEIPT BY CLERK OF WAGES.

E. 101/246/1, part 2, no. 10.

Pateat vniuersis per presentes me Radulphum de Beltesford, clericum ad vadia domini regis in terra Hibernie soluenda assignatum, recepisse de venerabili patri Alexandro episcopo Ossoriensi, thesaurario Hibernie, quatringintas¹ et triginta libras et quatuor solidos de mille marcis prefato thesaurario in Anglia liberatis ad soluendum gentibus patrie terre Hibernie quando opus foret seu necessitas exposceret per auisamentum

¹ Sic.

iusticiarii, cancellarii, thesaurarii, comitis Kildarie et aliorum de consilio dicti domini regis terre Hibernie predicte, pro temporibus quibus gentes ad resistendum inimicis et rebellibus dicti domini regis in saluacionem et defensionem terre predicte congregarentur, prout in indenturis inter dominum regem et prefatum thesaurarium inde confectis plenius continetur. Et postea per dictos iusticiarum et consilium, comitem Kildarie, ac meliores homines¹ comitatuum Dublinie, Kyldarie, Cathirlaghie et Kylkennie, in quodam consilio apud Trestildermot tricesimo die Aprilis anno regni regis supradicti secundo tento, aliter ordinatum et mutatum extiterat, videlicet ad retinendum penes dictum dominum regem viginti quatuor homines ad arma et centum et viginti sagittarios, de retinencia missa per dominum regem ad partes Hibernie, pro vno quarterio anni, dicto quarterio incipiente in festo Apostolorum Philippi et Iacobi anno regni regis Ricardi secundo, quolibet homine ad arma capiente per diem pro vadiis suis duodecim denarios et pro rewardis suis pro dicto quarterio anni quadraginta solidos, et quolibet sagittario capiente per diem sex denarios, prout in ordinacione predicta et breui inde dicto thesaurario directe plenius continetur, super vadiis et rewardis predictorum viginti quatuor hominum ad arma et centum et viginti sagittariorum in terra Hibernie predicta super guerra domini regis ibidem commorandum, ut predictetur, soluendis. De quibus vero quatringentis et triginta libris et quatuor solidis fateor me fore solutum. In cuius rei testimonium presentibus sigillum meum apposui. Datum sexto die Augusti anno regni regis supradicti tercio.

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Parliament at Castledermot, Monday after St. Mark, 1380.

THE BISHOP OF FERNS AMERCED FOR ABSENCE ALTHOUGH UNFIT TO TRAVEL.

Memoranda Roll, 13-14 Richard II, m. 29^a

A justice et conseill nostre seigneur le roi en Irland supplie Thomas evesqe de Fernes qe come il estoit amerciez de nostre seigneur le roi en dix livres, pur ceo qil ne vient my en propre

¹ MS. 'meliorum hominum.'

² Ferguson Coll., II. 88. This petition is enclosed in a writ of 3 March 1390.

person al parlement nostre dit seigneur le roi tenuz a Tristel-
dermot le lundy proschein apres la fest seynt Marc l'Ewangeliste 30 April
l'an du regne mesme seigneur le roi tierce, en temps monsire
Johan de Bromewyche adonques justice d'Irland, a quel temps
le dit evesqe estoit detenuz par cause [d]’infirmité de corps q'il
n'estoit my en estat de travailler ne venir a dit parlement sanz
peril de son corps, qe plese de vostre tresgraciouse seigneurie
considerer la matire susdit et comander brief as tresorers et
barons de l'eschequer, ou les extractes de la chauncellerie toch-
aunt le dit parlement sount envoiez, de sursere de la levée [du]
dit amerciement et de faire le dit evesqe ent estre quit et
deschargé a mesme l'eschequer et de relessier la destresse, si nul
y soit fait, devers le dit evesqe par somons ou par briefs hors de
mesme l'eschequer par la cause avauntdit.

Que quidem peticio indorsatur in forma que sequitur :

Soit ceste petition maundé par brief as tresorers et barons de
l'eschequer nostre seigneur le roi en Irland, et autre soit enquise
de lez matires contenuz deinz ceste peticion, et, si soient veri-
tables come ceste peticion purporte, soit l'evesqe deinz con-
tenuz deschargé de l'amerciement deinz nomé etc.

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Parliament at Castledermot, Monday after St. Mark, 1380.

THE TREASURER PETITIONS FOR A REWARD FOR HIS EXCEPTIONAL
SERVICES.

E. 101/246/5, no. 19.

Ricardus Dei gracia rex Anglie et Francie et dominus Hibernie
thesaurario et camerariis de scaccario suo Hibernie salutem.
Supplicauit nobis, per peticionem suam iusticiario nostro
Hibernie et consilio nostro ibidem exhibitam, venerabilis pater
Alexander episcopus Ossoriensis, thesaurarius noster Hibernie,
vt, cum ipse per preceptum prefati iusticiarii nostri ad diuersas
partes terre nostre Hibernie circa commodum et proficuum
nostrum, videlicet apud Waterford, Weysford, Dubliniam et
Drogheda, tam tempore vacacionis quam aliis vicibus, labora-
uerit, sumptus varios et labores in hac parte sustinendo, velimus,
premissis consideratis, eidem episcopo de aliquo rewardo com-
petenti in recompencionem dictorum sumptuum et laborum

suorum, prout sibi per eundem iusticiarum nostrum promissum extitit, gracie prouidere. Ac nos, premissa aduertentes et dicte supplicacioni sue annuentes, concessimus eidem episcopo viginti libras, habendas de dono nostro nomine rewardi ex causis supradictis. Et ideo vobis mandamus quod eidem episcopo dictas viginti libras de thesauro nostro liberetis. Teste Iohanne de Bromwyche, iusticiario nostro Hibernie, apud Tristeldermot, vj. die Maii anno regni nostri tercio.

6 May
1380

Per petitionem de parlimento.

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Parliament at Castledermot, Monday after St. Mark, 1380.

ROBERT LE HORE, KING'S ATTORNEY IN THE EXCHEQUER AND COMMON BENCH, PETITIONS FOR A REWARD FOR SPECIAL SERVICES.

E. 101/246/2, no. 338.

Ricardus Dei gracia rex Anglie et Francie et dominus Hibernie thesaurario et camerariis de scaccario suo Hibernie salutem. Monstrauit nobis Robertus le Hore, attornatus noster in scaccario nostro et communni banco nostro apud Cathirlaghe, vt, cum ipse in quadragesima proximo preterita per venerabilem patrem Alexandrum episcopum Ossoriensem, thesaurarium nostrum Hibernie, assignatus fuisse ad transendum versus partes comitatuum Corke et Lymerici in comitiua Willelmi de Karlelle, clerici, tunc commissionarii nostri ad debita nostra in dictis comitatibus leuanda per nos assignati, dictusque Robertus ad ipsum Willelmum super comodo nostro in hac parte in tantum informauerit, ita quod per ipsius Roberti informacionem comodum nobis in eisdem comitatibus ad summam centum librarum accreuit, sicut dicit. Super quo nobis supplicauit vt cum ipse, per petitionem suam in parlimento nostro apud Tristeldermot vltimo tento Iohanni de Bromwyche, tunc iusticiario nostro, et tunc consilio nostro ibidem exhibitam, pro rewardo aliquo pro laboribus et expensis dicti Roberti in ea parte appositis habendo fuisse prosecutus, et licet nos prefato Roberto quinque marcas, habendas de dono nostro nomine rewardi ex causis predictis concesserimus, eidem tamen Roberto de predictis quinque marcis nondum est satisfactum, vt dicit, super quo nobis supplicauit vt sibi

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de eisdem quinque marcis satisfieri iubere dignaremur. Et quia, scrutato filacio peticionum de parlimento nostro predicto, per inspecccionem peticionis dicti Roberti predicte in dicto filacio residentis et indorsamenti inde, nobis constat quod predicte quinque marce eidem Roberto in recompensacionem dictorum sumptuum et laborum suorum concessi extiterunt, volentes proinde quod prefato Roberto de predictis quinque marcis debite satisfiat, vobis mandamus quod eidem Roberto dictas quinque marcas, si sibi nondum solute fuerint, de thesauro nostro liberetis, habendas de dicto dono nostro, nomine rewardi, ut predictum est. Teste Edmundo de Mortuo Mari, comite Marchie et Vltonie, locum nostrum tenente in terra nostra Hibernie, apud Dubliniam, xxvj. die Decembris anno regni 26 December
nostrri quarti. 1380

Per peticionem de consilio.

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Parliament at Dublin, Morrow of all Souls, 1380.

JOHN FREIGNES PETITIONS FOR A REDUCTION OF THE FINE IMPOSED FOR ABSENCE FROM THE PARLIAMENT AT CASTLEDERMOT, MONDAY AFTER ASH WEDNESDAY, 1378, TO WHICH HE WAS RETURNED AS ONE OF THE KNIGHTS FOR THE FRANCHISE OF MEATH.

Memoranda Roll, 5-6 Richard II, m. 28¹.

Dominus rex mandauit per breue suum de cancellaria sua Hibernie thesaurario et baronibus huius scaccarii directum, quod est inter breuia de Anglia de anno quarto regis nunc, in hec verba :

Ricardus Dei gracia rex Anglie et Francie et dominus Hibernie thesaurario et baronibus de scaccario suo Hibernie salutem. Monstrauit nobis, per peticionem suam locum nostrum tenenti in terra nostra Hibernie ac prelatis, magnatibus et communibus dicte terre nostre in parlimento nostro apud Dubliniam die sabbati in crastino Anmarum proximo preterito tento comparentibus exhibitam, Iohannes Freignes de Midia vt cum ipse et communes libertatis Midie, pro eo quod idem Iohannes non venit ad parlimentum nostrum apud Tristeldermet die lune proxima post festum Cinerum anno 8 March
1378

3 November
1380

¹ Ferguson Coll., II. 2.

regni nostri primo summonitum et tentum, prout ipse per prefatos communes dicte libertatis, de eorum communi assensu, coram tunc senescallo libertatis Midie, virtute breuis nostri eidem senescallo inde directi et ad dictum parliamentum vna cum nomine ipsius Iohannis retornati, vnu militum pro eadem libertate electus fuit, in centum marcis grauiter americiati extiterunt, quod quidem amerciamentum iidem communes libertatis predicte, supponentes ipsum Iohannem illud de ratione soluere et ipsos inde de iure totaliter exonerari debere, super eundem Iohannem integre imponere intendant, quodque ipse nobis soluere absque finali destruccione status sui nullatenus valeat, humiliter supplicando vt, paupertate sua considerata, dictum amerciamentum centum marcarum ad aliquam summam racionabilem quam ipse, absque depressione status sui et saluo contenemento suo, nobis soluere possit admensurare dignaremur. Et quia prelati, magnatibus et communibus predictis euidenter appetet dictum amerciamentum fore nimis onerosum, nos statum ipsius Iohannis compatientes, ad requisicionem eorundem prelatorum, magnatum et communium, de auisamento prefati locum tenentis et aliorum de consilio nostro ibidem, dictum amerciamentum centum marcarum ad centum solidos de gracia speciali nostra duximus admensurandum. Et ideo vobis mandamus quod demandam quam erga prefatos Iohannem et communes libertatis predicte ad leuandum de ipsis illud quod remanet de dictis centum marcis vltra centum solidos predictos per summoniciones scaccarii predicti indies fieri facitis, supersedeatis omnino, et eosdem Iohannem et communes libertatis predicte de illo remanenti dictarum centum marcarum vltra eosdem centum solidos erga nos ad idem scaccarium totaliter exonerari et quietos esse faciatis, iuxta vim et effectum admensuracionis supradicte, et districcionem si quam ea occasione fieri feceritis, receptis ab eis primitus dictis centum solidis, sine dilacione relaxari faciatis eisdem, vt est iustum. Teste Edmundo de Mortuo Mari, comite Marchie et Vltonie, locum nostrum tenente in terra nostra Hibernie, apud Dubliniam, tercio die Decembris anno regni nostri quarto.

Et super hoc sexto die Maii hoc termino hic in scaccario coram baronibus venit predictus Iohannes Freynges per Thomam Taillor clericum, attornatum suum¹

¹ There is a note in the MS.: 'ends thus'.

3 December
1380

6 May
1382

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Great Council at Clonmel, 5 August, 1381.

REWARD TO THE TREASURER FOR HIS SERVICES IN CONNEXION
THEREWITH.

E. 101/246/2, no. 324¹.

Ricardus Dei gracia rex Anglie et Francie et dominus Hibernie thesaurario et camerariis de scaccario suo Hibernie salutem. Supplicauit nobis venerabilis pater Alexander episcopus Ossoriensis, thesaurarius noster Hibernie, vt, cum ipse de mandato dilecti et fidelis consanguinei nostri Edmundi de Mortuo Mari, comitis Marchie et Vltonie, locum nostrum tenentis in terra nostra Hibernie, ad diuersas partes terre predicte, videlicet ad ciuitatem nostram Dublinie, Dundalk, Trym, Conalle, Naas, necnon apud Clonmelle pro quodam magno consilio nostro in absencia dicti locum nostrum tenentis ibidem tenendo,² suis sumptibus laborauerit ac in locis predictis moram quandoque diutinam fecerit, volumus eidem episcopo pro sumptibus et laboribus huiusmodi aliquod competens rewardum concedere, nos igitur considerantes grandes labores et sumptus quos idem episcopus circa nostra negocia in locis predictis sustinuit, et cum eo volentes agere gracie, concessimus eidem episcopo, nomine rewardi, viginti marcas pro sumptibus et laboribus antedictis. Et ideo vobis mandamus quod eidem episcopo dictas viginti marcas de thesauro nostro liberetis. Teste Edmundo de Mortuo Mari, comite Marchie et Vltonie, locum nostrum tenente in terra nostra Hibernie, apud Cathirlaghe,

23 October
1381

xxij. die Octobris anno regni nostri quinto.

Per petitionem de concilio, sigillo ipsius locum
tenentis consignatam.

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Council at Cork, January, 1382.

THE CHANCELLOR, JOHN COLTON, ELECTED JUSTICIAR TO HOLD
OFFICE UNTIL THE NEXT PARLIAMENT OR GREAT COUNCIL.

Patent Roll, 5 Richard II, part 1.³

Memorandum quod, cum in festo sancti Stephani⁴ circa
mediam noctem anno presenti, nobilis dominus Edmundus,

26 December
1381

¹ Entered in Patent (*rectius Close*) Roll: see *Cal. Patent and Close Rolls*, p. 116, no. 4.

² On Monday after the Feast of St. Peter's Chains, 5 Richard II: see *ibid.* p. 113, no. 166.

³ Addl. 4790, fo. 28–30: see *Cal. Patent and Close Rolls*, p. 111, no. 39.

⁴ MS. 'sancte Epiphanie.'

comes Marchie et Vltonie, nuper locum tenens domini regis in Hibernia, in domo Fratrum Predicotorum de Corke viam fuisse vniuersitate carnis ingressus, Iohannes Colton, cancellarius domini regis Hibernie, et Iohannes Keppok, iusticiarius de banco dicti domini regis, in crastino dicte noctis, scilicet in festo sancti Iohannis, litteras suas certi tenoris venerabili patri domino Alexandro episcopo Ossoriensi, thesaurario Hibernie, ac eciā nobilibus dominis Iacobo le Botiller, comite Ormonie, et Geraldo fitz Morice, comiti Dessemonie, direxerunt, eos certificando de morte domini locum tenentis predicti et vterius rogando ac, ex parte domini regis, requirendo quod pro saluacione marchiarum suarum meliori modo quo possint disponerent, et ad ciuitatem predictam de Corke cum omni festinacione possibili repararent ad tractandum et ordinandum de iusticiario siue gubernatore terre Hibernie constituendo et de saluo et seculo regimine tocius terre predicte.

Et quia interim, ante aduentum dictorum dominorum episcopi et comitum, videlicet secundo die Ianuarii proximo sequenti, anno supradicto, familia dicti domini locum tenentis, vnam tota retinencia hominum ad arma et sagittariorum in dictis partibus de Corke existencium, ab eisdem partibus de Corke versus partes Lagenie et Midie recesserunt, Iohannes et Iohannes, cancellarius et iusticiarius supradicti, metuentes veresimiliter, propter recessum dicte retinencie ac precipue propter diutinum defectum iusticiarii siue gubernatoris, ciuitati et partibus de Corke per nationem de Barrets et alios inimicos hibernicos et rebelles ad guerram a diu et adhuc palam existentes necnon et tote terre Hibernie graue periculum imminere, dictus cancellarius, de consensu iusticiarii antedicti et aliorum de consilio domini regis ibidem adtunc existencium, breuia regia tenoris infrascripti prelatis, magnatibus et communibus infrascriptis dirigi et deferri mandauit, vt apud ciuitatem Corke certo die in breuibus predictis contento personaliter interessent ad tractandum et faciendum secundum exigiam breuium predictorum.

Quo die adueniente, videlicet die iouis proxima post festum Epiphanie, anno supradicto, in ecclesia beati Petri de Corke, venerabilibus patribus Alexandro episcopo Ossoriensi, thesaurario Hibernie, Geraldo Corkagensi, Ricardo Clonensi, personaliter, ac Thoma Lismorensi et Waterfordensi, per Alex-

27 December
1381

2 January
1382

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andrum Ossoriensem episcopum antedictum, procuratorem suum, et Petro episcopo Lymericensi, per procuratorem ipsius, necnon domino Iacobo le Botiller, comite Ormonie, et Geraldo fitz Morice, comite Desmonie, necnon Willelmo Sygyn, maiore ciuitatis Corke, necnon Iohanne Pomfreid et Thoma Lawelyn, ciuibus electis et retornatis pro ciuitate Corke, ac Dauid filio Thome Roche et Milone Staunton, militibus electis et retornatis pro communibus comitatus Corke, ac Rogero Lenfaunt et Adam Lenfaunt, militibus electis et retornatis pro communibus comitatus Lymerici, ac aliis quampluribus nobilibus et communibus in prefata ecclesia sancti Petri coram consilio dicti domini regis comparentibus, prefatus cancellarius, de auisamento thesaurarii et aliorum de consilio proposuit quod cum, per mortem dicti domini locum tenentis et per subitum recessum familiarium et stipendiariorum, omnes ligei terre Hibernie et maxime parcum Momonie fuissent quamplurimum stupefacti et quasi penitus destituti, ac hibernici inimici et rebelles anglici in sua malicia confortati, adeo quod, nisi remedium citius apponetur, plures eorum ad guerram insurgerent, prout O'Brien de Totomon et MacBreen de Conaughte ac alii diuersi de facto insurrexerunt, rationabile et conueniens videbatur vt dicti prelati, magnates et communes proinde ordinarent quomodo malicia dictorum inimicorum et rebellium posset viriliter refrenari, vt, dicta ordinacione facta et cognita, bonus, valens et competens gubernator siue iusticiarius eligendus ad officium iusticiarii suscipiendum liberius consentiret. Vnde predictus cancellarius prefatos prelatos, magnates et communes requisuit vt predictam ordinacionem facere et adimplere curarent. Quo dicto, prefatis cancellario et thesaurario et aliis de consilio domini regis se ad partem trahentibus, dicti prelati, magnates et communes, post aliqualem tractatum inter eos habitum, coram consilio regis responderunt quod primo et ante omnia tractandum esset de gubernatore terre, quo ordinato et electo, de regimine et gubernacione eiusdem tractarent. Super quo cancellarius et thesaurarius et iusticiarius de banco domini [regis] et alii de consilio ibidem existentes requisierunt, ex parte domini nostri regis, comites Ormonie et Desmonie quod ipsi ambo tanquam ad hoc potentiores et sufficientiores inter se tractarent quis eorum officium iusticiarii hac vice subiret. Quibus se expresse et precise

excusantibus quod, propter guerras in marchiis eorum circum-
quaque vigentes, pro dicto officio subeundo vacare non possint,
nec aliquis eorum non posset, nisi marchias eorum proprias
relinquerent desolatas, venerabilis pater episcopus Clonensis
proposuit et dixit quod terra Hibernie per aliquem eiusdem
terre natum veresimiliter tam commode gubernari non possit
sicut per strenuum militem de regno Anglie oriundum. Cui
dicto tam illi de consilio domini regis quam alii magnates
acquieuerunt, et pro tanto idem episcopus asseruit quod Thomas
de Mortuo Mari, cum ratione proprie sue strenuitatis tum eciam
quia, ut credit, homines ad arma et sagittarii de retinencia dicti
domini locum tenentis dudum existentes cum predicto domino
Thoma potius quam cum alio morarentur, competentior iusti-
ciarius pro terra Hibernie foret hac vice. Et quia consilio regis
non constabat an dictus dominus Thomas in partibus Hibernie
ea de causa morari vellet necne, dictus cancellarius, ex parte
domini regis, episcopum requisuit quod, si quid de voluntate
dicti Thome cognosceret, ipsum consilium certificaret. Ad
quod idem episcopus respondit quod, si predictus dominus
Thomas certam retinenciam hominum ad arma et sagittariorum
posset habere sumptibus terre sustendandam, credidit ipsum in
terra Hibernie moraturum et officium iusticiarii suscepturum:
et quandam scedulam ibidem exhibuit continencie infrascripte.¹
Ad quod venerabilis pater Alexander episcopus Ossoriensis,
thesaurarius Hibernie, requisitus respondit quod thesaurus
domini regis in Hibernia, secundum cursum et estimacionem
annorum precedencium in quibus ipse extitit thesaurarius, ad
tantam summam ultra feoda necessaria ministrorum et cas-
trorum nullo modo se posset extendere. Quesitum fuit a prelatis
et magnatibus ibidem existentibus an summam huiusmodi
super se vellent assumere pro uno anno vel pro parte anni pro
predicta retinencia persoluenda. Super quo, sole ad occasum
traente, predicti prelates, magnates et communes inducias
respondendi usque in crastinum petierunt et obtinuerunt.

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Quo die adueniente, scilicet x^o die Ianuarii, anno supradicto,
consilio domini regis, prelatis, magnatibus et communibus
simul in ecclesia predicta conuenientibus, iidem prelati, mag-
nates et communes ad hoc ultimo propositum responderunt,

¹ This schedule, which evidently set out particulars of the retinue required,
is not included in the transcript.

quod ipsi, nec illi quorum nomine in presenti consilio comparebant, fuerunt sufficientes ad tantam summam pro vno anno vel pro parte anni persoluendam, sed si tale onus pro anno portari deberet, necessarie requireretur quod tota terra Hibernie in simul illud subiret, quod fieri non posset absque conuocacione tocius terre predicte in simul facienda. Sed quia huiusmodi conuocacio non sine magna dilacione fieri posset et valde periculosa esset terram Hibernie sine gubernatore vel iusticiario, cum propter discontinuacionem legis tum propter alia plura pericula que possent contingere, per omnes ibidem presentes fuerat vnamiter concordatum de iusticiario statim eligendo. Predictis ergo cancellario, thesaurario ac aliis de consilio domini regis prefatum dominum comitem Ormonie et inde comitem Desmonie ibidem presentes instanter rogantibus et requirentibus vt officium iusticiarii vnum eorum susciperet antedictum, sed ipsis se vicissim modo quo supra precise excusantibus, predicti cancellarius et alii de consilio domini regis cum magnatibus et communibus predictis venerabilem patrem dominum Alexandrum episcopum Ossoriensem, thesaurarium Hibernie, requisuerunt instanter vt officium iusticiarii susciperet antedictum. Sed ipse thesaurarius per passiones corporales que sibi frequenter, vt dicit, accedunt et alias diuersimode se excusans, ipsum cancellarium requisivit vt ipsum officio predicto admitteret. Quo se per insufficiam status et inhabilitatem persone et alias multipliciter excusante, et ipsis cancellario et thesaurario super hiis diutius altercantibus, tandem alii de consilio regis suaserunt vt ille quem prelati, magnates et communes in iusticiarum nominarent et eligerent pro iusticiario haberetur et compellerebatur. Et sic prelati, magnates et communes ibidem presentes excusacionibus thesaurarii pocius quam cancellarii acquiescentes, predictum Iohannem Colton, cancellarium, in iusticiarum Hibernie nominarunt et vnamiter eligerunt. Qui quidem cancellarius huiusmodi nominacioni et eleccioni condicionibus et protestacionibus infrascriptis consensit, videlicet quod comes Ormonie et comes Desmonie precipue, prelati et alii proceres et communes ibidem presentes fideliter promitterent ipsum Iohannem iusticiarum futurum circa regimen et gubernacionem terre Hibernie, contra quoscunque anglicos rebelles et Hibernicos, pro eorum posse iuuare et sibi fideliter consulere, et quod in parlimuento aut magno consilio proxime conuocando licitum

foret predicto Iohanni Colton de prefato officio iusticiarii se penitus exonerari, et quod interim thesaurarius Hibernie cum prefato domino Thoma de Mortuo Mari et predicta retinencia tractaret vt ipsi vsque ad tempus prefati parliamenti vel consilii infra terram Hibernie morarentur, vt tunc pro eorum mora vltiori posset plenius ordinari. Sub quibus conditionibus et protestacionibus per omnes ibidem presentes admissis, et predicta promissione per comites Ormonie et Dessemonie et alios ibi existentes solemniter facta, idem Iohannes Colton ad officium iusticiarii fideliter exercendum fuit in forma consueta iuratus.

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Parliament at Dublin, Quinzaine of Trinity, 1382.

PROTEST OF PRELATES, LORDS AND COMMONS AT THE ABSENCE
OF THE KING'S LIEUTENANT.

Justiciary Roll, 5 Richard II, m. 32¹.

Ricardus Dei gracia rex Anglie et Francie[et] dominus Hibernie omnibus ad quos presentes littere peruererint salutem. Inspeximus quandam petitionem quam prelati, magnates et communes terre nostre Hibernie, in parlimendo nostro apud Dubliniam die lune proxima post quindenam sancti Trinitatis proximo preteritam summonito et tento comparentes, fieri et in eodem parlimendo ostendi et perlegi fecerunt in hec verba :

Prelatz, seigneurs et communes de la terre d'Irlande summonétz par briefz pur estre a un parlement a Dyvelin le xvme de la Trinité l'an le roy Richard le second quynt, a quelle jour et lieu assembléz, les prelatz, seigneurs et communes desuiz ditz sount enforméz que le lieutenant nostre seigneur le roi cestez

¹ Addl. 4790, fo. 114a-b. The entry on the Justiciary Roll was introduced by the words : 'Dominus rex mandauit quasdam litteras suas patentes in hec verba.' A sealed copy of the exemplification, one of several duplicates, formerly existed among the Christ Church Deeds, and was calendared in the *Report of the Deputy Keeper of Public Records in Ireland*, xx. 83, no. 252. This copy had also been transcribed in the Registrum Novum of Christ Church (II. 577, no. 224), whence it had been printed in the Record Commission's *Report of Searches for originals, records and manuscript copies of charters and statutes in England and Ireland* (1806), p. 41. What purports to be an English translation from the Justiciary Roll was printed by Sir W. Betham, *Early parliaments of Ireland*, pp. 329-31. None of these derived texts is satisfactory.

parties est ensy tenu de malady q'en sa propre person il ne poit estre pur tenir le dit parlement,¹ purquois y semble as ascuns que ceste assemblé ne duist estre dit pur parlement, quar toutz temps dount ne court memorie et de conquest de la dite terre en sa n'ad esté vewe que le parlement ad esté tenu saunz personnel presence de luy qu'ad estée principal governour de la terre pur le temps. Et pur ceo que semblable est que de tenir parlementz encoultre la forme desuis dit saunz presence de principal governour de la terre purroit par diversez et plusieurs maniers en temps a venir turner a prejudice, damages, charges et [desheriteson as]² prelatz, lour successors et lour esglises, as seignours et lour heires et tout la communalité avaundit, ils fairent ceste lour protestacione qu'ils ne voiliount, n'acceptent, n'assentout que cest maner de tenir parlementz saunz presence de principale governour de la terre soyt mys ou treté en ensample consequente ou usé en apres pur lez causes suisditz Nyentmeyns voilient les prelatz, seignours et communes desuisditz, a reverence de lour seignour le roi et le seignour lieutenant qui ore est, consideré son etat veritables de s'absence et pur la graunt nécessité, perils, perdes et meschiefs en quelles ils et la dite terre sount au present, que cest present assemblé soit tenu pur parlement et toutz choses en ycelle a faire, treters et accorders soient tenuz et establez solonk ce que les tenours de les brefs sur ceo faitz demandent, savauntz toutditz a eux, lour successors, lour heirs et la communalité avaundit lour fraunchises, usages, libertez et lour protestacione suisditz, ent priauntz et requirauntz que ceste lour protestacione soit enrouillé en la chauncellery et mys en recorde en la chief place le roi et sur ceo exemplificacion fait south le graunt seal le roi en tesmoignaunce de choses suisditz pur le temps a venir.

Inspeximus eciam indorsamentum eiusdem petitionis in hec verba :

Accordé est par le conseil nostre seignour le roi qe ceste

¹ The rest of the petition is omitted in Addl. 4790.

² Betham renders this passage : 'in divers and many ways may be to the prejudice of the lieges and the disherison of the prelates,' etc.

³ At the end of this gap the *Report of Searches* supplies 'riment.' Betham renders the passage : 'and that it imports the safety of his estate, and a notable or urgent cause being given for the absence of the lord lieutenant, and for the great necessity,' etc.

peticion ové leur protestacion soit enrouillé et exemplefié solounc le purport de mesme la peticion, sauvé toutditz le droit le roy en temps a venir et sa prerogative.

Nos autem peticionem et indorsamentum predicta de auisamento consilii nostri in Hibernia ad requisicionem dictorum prelatorum, magnatum et communium tenore presencium duximus exemplificanda. In cuius rei testimonium has litteras nostras fieri fecimus patentes. Teste Rogero filio et herede Edmundi de Mortuo Mari, nuper comitis Marchie et Vltonie, locum nostrum tenente in terra nostra Hibernie, apud Dubliniam xxij. die Iunii anno regni nostri sexto.

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REWARD TO JOHN TYRELL, SERGEANT AT LAW, FOR HIS ATTENDANCE AT PARLIAMENTS AND GREAT COUNCILS, 1380-1382.

E.101/246/3, no. 220.

Ricardus Dei gracia rex Anglie et Francie et dominus Hibernie thesaurario vel eius locum tenenti et camerariis de scaccario suo Hibernie salutem. Monstrauit dilectus nobis Iohannes Tyrelle, seruiens noster, vt cum ipse tam tempore domini Edmundi de Mortuo Mari, nuper comitis Marchie et Vltonie, locum nostrum tenentis in terra nostra Hibernie, quam tempore nunc locum nostrum tenentis in eadem terra nostra, in omnibus parliamentis et magnis consiliis nostris in dicta terra nostra in partibus Lagenie summonitis et tentis personaliter extiterat, ad sumptus grandes et expensas suos proprios in hac parte appositos, in adnullacionem status sui et depauperacionem manifestam, absque aliquo a nobis ea occasione percepto, vnde nobis supplicauit sibi de remuneracione aliquali prouidere. Nos, supplicationi sue predicte annuentes, concessimus eidem Iohanni decem marcas, habendas de dono nostro, nomine rewardi, ex causa predicta. Et ideo vobis mandamus quod eidem Iohanni dictas decem marcas de thesauro nostro liberetis. Teste Rogero, filio et herede Edmundi de Mortuo Mari, nuper comitis Marchie et Vltonie, locum nostrum tenente in terra nostra Hibernie, apud Dubliniam, x. die Iulii anno regni nostri sexto.

10 July
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Per peticionem de consilio.

REWARD TO THOMAS OF EVERDON, ONE OF THE CLERKS OF THE
PARLIAMENTS, 1378-1382.

E. 101/246/3, no. 153.

Ricardus Dei gracia rex Anglie et Francie et dominus Hibernie thesaurario et camerariis de scaccario suo Hibernie salutem. Supplicauit nobis dilectus clericus noster Thomas de Euerdone vt, cum ipse in omnibus parliamentis nostris per nos in terra nostra Hibernie toto tempore nostro, tam tempore diuersorum iusticiariorum nostrorum ibidem quam loca nostra tenencium in eadem terra nostra, tanquam vnum clericorum nostrorum dictorum parliamentorum, ac eciam tam post mortem Edmundi de Mortuo [Mari], nuper comite Marchie et Vltonie, in partibus Midie ad extendendum omnia dominia, terras et tenementa que fuerunt ipsius nuper comitis et Philippe de Mortuo Mari, nuper comitisse Marchie, matris dicti nuper comitis, similiter defunctorum in partibus predictis, vna cum duobus valettis, uno garcione et quatuor equis, per viginti et quatuor dies diuersos sumptus et labores in hac parte apponendo ad custos¹ suos proprios continue laborauerit, sibi in recompensacionem sumptuum et laborum suorum predictorum aliquod rewardum competens graciouse concedere dignaremur. Nosque supplicacioni sue predicte, premissis consideratis, annuere volentes in hac parte, concessimus ei quinque marcas, habendas de dono nostro, nomine rewardi, ex causis predictis. Et ideo vobis mandamus, sicut alias mandauiimus, quod eidem Thome dictas quinque marcas de thesauro nostro liberetis. Teste Rogero, filio et herede. Edmundi de Mortuo Mari, nuper comitis Marchie et Vltonie, locum nostrum tenente in terra nostra Hibernie, apud Dubliniam, xx. die Octobris anno regni nostri sexto.

20 October
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Per petitionem de consilio.

¹ Sic.

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Council at Naas, Friday after Hilary, 1383.

PETITION FOR PAYMENT OF BALANCE OF REWARD GRANTED IN
THE PARLIAMENT OF KILKENNY, OCTAVE OF MICHAELMAS, 1375.

E. 101/246/3, no. 147.

Ricardus Dei gracia rex Anglie et Francie et dominus Hibernie
thesaurario et camerariis de scaccario suo Hibernie salutem.
Supplicauit nobis, per petitionem suam locum nostrum tenenti
et aliis de consilio nostro in terra nostra Hibernie in quodam
consilio nostro apud le Naas die veneris proxima post festum
sancti Hillarii proximo preteritum tento exhibitam, dilectus
nobis Galfridus de Vale vt, cum ipse quamplures sumptus et
expensas, in obsequio domini Edwardi nuper regis Anglie aui
nostri, tam circa retinenciam hominum in comitiua sua et
empcionem equorum et armaturarum quam circa exploracio-
nes et vigilias per ipsum et homines suos predictos, in
saluacionem et defencionem fidelium legeorum comitatus
Cathirlaghie, tam per diem quam per noctem factas, tempore
dicti aui nostri diuersimode sustinuerit et indies apponere non
desistat, idemque Galfridus quendam Donatum Keuenagh,
M^oMorgh nuncupatum, qui partes Lagenie et fidelem populum
nostrum ibidem de die in diem, dum vixerit, destruere et
deuastare se conabatur, Dei mediante gracia, interfecit, in
quorum laborum, sumptuum et expensarum ac boni seruicii
predicti recompensacionem dictus aius noster, de auisamento
gubernatoris et aliorum de consilio suo terre predicte in quodam
parlamento suo apud Kilkenniam in octabis sancti Michaelis
anno regni sui quadragesimo nono tento, quoddam rewardum
centum librarum eidem Galfrido concederit, habendum de dono
suo ex causis supradictis, de quibus centum librisolucionem
preter de sexaginta solidis nullatenus optimuerit, nobis humiliiter
supplicando vt sibi solutionem residui dictarum centum
librarum sibi aretro existentis fieri iubere dignaremur. Nos
cum eodem Galfrido, ex causis predictis, volentes agere gracie,
ac proinde certiorari volentes quantum aretro esset eidem
Galfrido de centum libris predictis, per breue nostrum man-
dauerimus quod, scrutatis rotulis et memorandis scaccarii
predicti premissa concernentibus, de eo quod inde inueniretis

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nos in cancellaria nostra Hibernie, sub sigillo scaccarii nostri predicti, distincte et aperte sine dilacione redderetis certiores, ac vos nobis retornastis quod, scrutatis rotulis et memorandis scaccarii predicti, compertum est quod aretro sunt eidem Galfrido de centum libris predictis quaterviginti et decem et septem libre. Et quia per inspecczionem rotulorum cancellarie nostre Hibernie de tempore dicti aui nostri nobis constat quod idem auus noster dictas centum libras predicto Galfrido concessit in forma predicta, volentes proinde prefato Galfrido de summa predicta debite satisfieri, prout decet, de auisamento dicti locum nostrum tenentis et consilii nostri predicti concordatum existit quod idem Galfridus habeat de thesauro nostro viginti marcas in manibus pro anno presenti de predictis quaterviginti et decem et septem libris et exinde quolibet anno, de anno in annum, in principio cuiuslibet anni, viginti marcas inde quounque sibi de eisdem quaterviginti et decem et septem libris plenarie fuerit satisfactum. Et ideo vobis mandamus quod eidem Galfrido viginti marcas in manibus pro predicto anno presenti et deinde annuatim viginti marcas in principio cuiuslibet anni, de anno in annum, de predictis quaterviginti et decem et septem libris, quounque sibi de eadem summa quaterviginti et decem et septem librarum plenarie, ut predicitur, fuerit satisfactum de dicto thesauro nostro, liberetis. Teste Rogero, filio et herede Edmundi de Mortuo Mari, nuper comitis Marchie et Vltonie, locum nostrum tenente in terra nostra Hibernie, apud Trym, primo die Februarii anno regni nostri sexto.

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**Great Council at Castledermot, Monday after St. Peter and Paul,
1388.**

PROCEEDINGS BEFORE THE JUSTICIAR.

K.B. 27/517, Trin. 13-14 Ric. II., m.41.

Memorandum quod ad magnum consilium domini regis tentum apud Tresteldermot, die lune proxima post festum Apostolorum Petri et Pauli anno regni regis Ricardi secundi duodecimo, coram venerabili patri Alexandre episcopo Midiensi, iusticiario Hibernie, in presencia dicti iusticiarii, Roberti de Prestone militis, custodis magni sigilli domini regis in Hibernia,

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et aliorum diuersorum de consilio ipsius domini regis ibidem existencium, per Iohannem Horwelle, seruientem domini regis ad arma, qui pro certis negotiis dominum regem tangentibus per ipsum dominum regem et consilium suum Anglie ad partes Hibernie missus fuit, Iohannem fitz Rery, pretendentem se fore deputatum escaetoris domini regis in Hibernia, qui nouiter a partibus Anglie venit, et alios quamplures fideles dignos legios domini regis palam testificatum extitit et relatum quod magister Henricus Bowet, decanus ecclesie sancti Patricii Dublinensis, Henricus de Ferrers miles, Iohannes Lancastre miles et alii diuersi, quorum nomina ignorant, ad ultimum parliamentum in Anglia tentum positi fuerunt extra protectionem domini regis. Et super hoc Iohannes de Karlelle clericus, asserens se habere decanatum predictum ad firmam ex dimissione dicti decani, ibidem presens, per curiam examinatus fuit si ipse noticiam habet si predictus decanus sit positus extra protectionem domini regis nec ne, qui dicit quod audiuit a Iohanne fitz Rery et aliis quod ita fuit, set si hoc sit verum nec ne ignorat. Et super hoc quesitus est a dicto Iohanne Karlelle per curiam si ipse debet aut tenetur dicto decano in aliquo de firma predicta et quantum, qui cognovit ibidem quod ipse tenetur dicto decano de firma predicta, set quantum in certo ignorat, quia dicit quod ipse habet diuersa memoranda et scripta inter dictum decanum et ipsum ex dimissione dicti decanatus confecta que sunt apud Dubliniam et alibi, absque quorum visu ipse non potest certificare curie quantum in certo debet dicto decano de firma predicta etc. Ac quidam Henricus Bobwyth, seruiens domini regis ad arma, pretendens se fore procuratorem dicti decani, qui a partibus Anglie ad Hiberniam venit causa petendi et recipiendi debita dicti decani per dictum Iohannem Karlelle de firma predicta eidem decano debita, in dicto consilio ibidem personaliter assistens, per curiam examinatus si ipse habet noticiam si dictus decanus positus sit extra protectionem domini regis nec ne, dicit quod audiuit a certis personis ita se fore, set si hoc sit verum nec ne dicit quod ignorat, et ulterius dicit pro eo quod ipse in dubio inde existit, protestando quod ipse nichil vult dicere aut prosequi pro ipso decano quod in prejudicium domini regis in hac parte cedere possit, set pocius vult et concedit, quantum in ipso est, quod dominus rex de omnibus huiusmodi debitibus et exitibus decanatus predicti

respondeatur, occasione dicti decani ad prosequendum erga dominum regem pro restitucione inde habenda, si contingat ipsum in protectione domini regis existere, sibi in omnibus semper salua. Et super hoc dies datus est dicto Iohanni Karlelle de essendo coram dictis iusticiario et consilio apud Dubliniam, die lune proxima post festum sancti Thome Martiris proximo futurum, ad certificandum dictum iusticiarum et consilium quantum debet in certo dicto decano de firma predicta et ad satisfaciendum domino regi inde prout curia considerauerit. Insuper dictus Iohannes Karlelle iuratus est quod ipse omnia et singula memoranda, indenturas et scripta, per dictum decanum de dimissione decanatus predicti sibi aut alicui alii facta et in custodia sua existencia et que ipsum Iohannem Karlelle erga dictum decanum aliquo modo onerare possunt, dicto die lune curie etc. ibidem monstrabit et liberabit, et quod dictus Iohannes interim committatur custodie marescalli etc¹

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THE ROLLS OF PARLIAMENT ARE SEARCHED BY THE KEEPER
OF THE GREAT SEAL, 1391.

C. 47/10/24, no. 11, mm. 25-26.

Ricardus Dei gracia rex Anglie et Francie et dominus Hibernie cancellario terre nostre Hibernie seu custodi magni sigilli nostri in eadem terra salutem. Volentes certis de causis cerciorari super modo et causa capcionis libertatum et franchisesiarum Mauricii fitz Thomas de Kildare, nuper comitis de Kildare, in dicta terra nostra per Radulphum de Vfforde, nuper iusticiarum² domini Edwardi, nuper regis Anglie, aui nostri, in manum eiusdem aui nostri, vt dicitur, vobis mandamus quod, scrutatis rotulis parliamentorum terre predicte de tempore predicto, de eo quod inde inuenieritis nos in cancellarium nostram Anglie sub magno sigillo nostro terre predicte distincte et aperte sine dilacione reddatis cerciores, hoc breue nobis remittentes. Teste me ipso apud Westmonasterium, xxij. die Iulii anno regni nostri quinto decimo.

22 July
1391

Per breue de priuato sigillo Burtone

¹ The record continues with proceedings at Dublin and subsequently in the king's bench in England.

² Ufford was justiciar from 15 July 1344 to 9 April 1346 (E. 372/191, m. 42d.; 197, m. 46).

Endorsed:

Execucio istius breuis facta est prout patet in cedula huic breui consuta.

Sic respondet Robertus de Prestone miles, custos magni sigilli domini regis in Hibernia.

Schedule.

Pretextu breuis huic cedula consuti, scrutatis rotulis parlia-
mentorum terre domini regis Hibernie de tempore Radulphi de
Vfforde, nuper iusticiarii domini Edwardi, nuper regis Anglie,
aui domini regis qui nunc est, causa capcionis libertatum seu
franchesiarum Mauricii fitz Thomas de Kildare, nuper comitis
de Kildare, in terra predicta, per predictum nuper iusticiarum
in manum dicti aui, in rotulis predictis minime reperitur.

PART II.

**DOCUMENTS CONCERNING THE
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K.4. *m.1* TENORES INDENTURARUM PRIMI SUBSIDII CONCESSI IACOBO LE BOTILER, COMITI DE ORMONDE, NUPER LOCUM TENENTI DOMINI REGIS IN HIBERNIA, IN QUODAM PARLIAMENTO, VNDE INFERIUS FIT MENCIO ETC.

[1] Hec indentura testatur quod Adam Taillour, rector de Balygady, et Walterus Hert, rector de Dromyn, procuratores per clerum Lymericensem electi ad comparendum coram domino Iacobo le Botiller, comite Ermonie, locum tenente domini regis in Hibernia, in parliamento dicti domini regis apud Dubliniam, die 7 June 1420 veneris proxima ante festum sancti Barnabe Apostoli, anno regni regis Henrici quinti octauo, tento, concesserunt dicto domino locum tenenti viginti vnum solidos et sex denarios argenti, in partem solucionis cuiusdem subsidii septingentiarum marcarum, ad sustentandum guerras terre prediche, per clerum, magnates et communes terre prediche in dicto parliamento comparentes electos concessi,¹ leuandos et colligendos de dicto clero ad duos anni terminos, videlicet ad festum sancti Petri 1 August 1420 quod dicitur Ad Vincula et Omnium Sanctorum proximo 1 November 1420 sequentia, per equales porciones, ita quod compotus inde non reddatur ad scaccarium domini regis in Hibernia set receptori per ipsum dictum dominum locum tenentem nominando.

Assessores: dominus Thomas Hont, vicarius de Alacaghe et vicarius de Brury.

Collectores: dominus Willelmus O'Holghan, vicarius de Tancardestone et vicarius de Cromouthie.

[2] Hec indentura testatur quod communes ciuitatis Dublinie, in parliamento domini regis coram potenti domino Iacobo le Butteller, comite de Ormonde, locum tenente domini regis in terra sua Hibernie, die veneris proxima ante festum sancti

¹ MS. 'concesso'.

Barnabe Apostoli, anno regni regis Henrici quinti octauo, apud Dubliniam tento, comparentes,¹ grataanter concesserunt dicto comiti pro suis immensis laboribus, quos apposuit in saluationem ligeorum domini regis terre predicte, x. marcas, x. solidos, soluendos ad festa sancti Petri quod dicitur Ad Vincula et Omnium Sanctorum, equis porcionibus, et quod compotus inde reddatur certis auditoribus, per ipsum comitem assignandis, et non ad scaccarium domini regis etc.

Et inde fuit littere patentes domini regis maiori et balliuis ciuitatis predicte ad elegendum assessores et collectores dictorum x. marcarum, x. solidorum, in forma debita et consueta.

[3] Hec indentura facta testatur quod tam communes comitatus quam ville de Kilkennia, die veneris proxima ante festum sancti Barnabe Apostoli, anno regni regis Henrici quinti octauo, in quodam parlimendo tento apud Dubliniam coram nobilissimo domino, Iacobo le Botiller, comite Ormonie, locum tenente domini regis in terra sua Hibernie, pro diuersis laboribus, misis et expensis, quos predictus locum tenens sustinuit et apposuit circa bonam gubernacionem, saluationem et defensionem terre predicte, concesserunt prefato locum tenenti quoddam subsidium xvij librarum et xvij. solidorum, super communibus predictis assidendum necnon et de eisdem leuantum, colligendum et recipiendum, ita quod exempti et non exempti, necnon gauellarii et catallarii eiusdem comitatus, cum eisdem communibus in soluzione subsidii predicti pro porcione sua, fideliter in hac parte assidenda, concurrant et contribuant, et quod compotus inde coram certo auditore per dictum locum tenentem ad hoc assignando, et non ad scaccarium domini regis Hibernie, fideliter reddatur.

Assessores pro villa de Kilkennia subsidii predicti necnon et pro comitatu Kilkennie etc. : Willelmus Arche iunior, Henricus Forstalle, Robertus Launde, Walterus Purcelle, superior de Callane, Ricardus Eylwarde, Iacobus Graunt, Iohannes Prout, Philippus Quemerford et Thomas Beket.

Collectores subsidii predicti de villa quam comitatu predictis :² prepositus Kilkennie, prepositus de Callan, prepositus de Thomastone, prepositus de Instioke, prepositus de

¹ MS. 'comarentes tento'.

² MS. 'predicti'.

Irystone iuxta Kilkenniam, prepositus de Ieriponde, prepositus de Oldecoyllaghe, prepositus de Balygauerane, Galfridus Graunt McDermot, Iohannes More Andrewe, Iohannes Howelle, Dauid Ossusche, Mauricius Clynge, Stephanus Casse, Henricus Welechane, Iohannes McGillegylle Walshe, Nicholaus fitz Iohan McHenroke, Gilbane OBrodyre, Iohannes Coterelle, Thomas Pemproke seruiens, Bollerbage de Donfarde, Willelmus Whit de Insnake, Willelmus Laghlour, Philippus Dobyne de Balynchy, Thomas Dowdalle.

- [4] Hec indentura testatur quod in parlimento tento apud Dubliniam die veneris proxima ante festum sancti Barnabe Apostoli, anno regni regis Henrici quinti septimo,¹ coram Iacobo le Boteller, comite Ormonie, adtunc locum tenente domini regis in Hibernia, pro laboribus et expensis suis factis in castigando hibernicos inimicos et rebelles anglicos in diuersis partibus Hibernie, prior et conuentus ecclesie cathedralis sancte Trinitatis Dublinensis, decanus et capitulum ecclesie cathedralis sancti Patricii Dublinensis, grataanter concesserunt dicto locum tenenti duodecim libras, tresdecim solidos et quatuor denarios argenti, soluendos eidem dicto locum tenenti ad festa sancti Petri quod dicitur Ad Vincula et Omnium Sanctorum proximo sequentia, equis porcionibus, aut suo certo deputato, et non scaccario domini regis, leuandos de ecclesiis dictorum prioris et conuentus, decani et capituli, iuxta taxam beneficiorum suorum in diocesi Dublinensi iam currentem, ita tamen quod liberi tenentes, firmarii, gauellarii et catallarii dictorum prioris et conuentus, decani et capituli, simul concurrant et contribuant cum dictis priore et conuentu, decano et capitulo, in solucione summe predicte, et quod Willelmus Denys, canonicus dicte ecclesie sancte Trinitatis, et Nicholaus Walleys, vicarius sancti Keuini, collectores dicte summe, non compellantur computare ad scaccarium domini regis set dicto locum tenenti aut suo deputato.

Baronia de Sengylle, collectores et assessores ibidem : Patri-
cius Fyn et Thomas Carraghe Lawles.

Baronie de Clondolgan et Rathcowlle, collectores et assessores
ibidem : Robertus Hendy, Iohannes Dermot, Iohannes Wilput.

¹ Recite octauo.

Baronia de Ballymore, collectores et assesseurs ibidem : Iohannes Purcelle et Nicholaus Austeyn.

Baronia de Fynglas, collectores et assesseurs ibidem : Willelmus Notyngham et Walterus Breksper.

Baronia de Swerdes, collectores et assesseurs ibidem : Willelmus Alger, Willelmus Comyng, Iohannes Barone iunior.

Dominicum de sancto Sepulcro, collectores et assesseurs ibidem : Nicholaus Bernevalle et Iohannes Bayly.

Porcio croceee Dublinie : xxv. li., vj. s., viij. d.

[5] Cest endenture, fait le venderdy proschein devaunt le feste de seynt Barnabé l'apostle, l'an du regne le roy Henry qu'ore est optime, tesmoigne qe Bertholmē Verdoun et Richard Bagot, chivalers esluez pur les communes del counté de Louethe de estre a un parlement tenuz a Dyvelyn jour et an suisditz devaunt le honorable seignur James, count d'Ormonde, lieutenant nostre seignur le roy en Irlande, par protestacioun qe les communez de dit counté ne serrount my liéz en temps a veneer de estre contributories ne de paier nulle subcidi ne tallage aultrement qe ne fuist my usé devaunt cest heours, ount graunté a dit James, count d'Ormonde, lieutenaunt nostre seignur le roy avaunddit, pur lez grauntes labours, travaills et costages q'il ad fait, si bien de par dela la mere come deins la terre en Irlande, q'il en apres ferra pur lez ligeez nostre seignur le roy deins la dite terre, en mayntenaunce de soun estate et les guerres nostre dit seignur le roy encountre les malice et recistence dez enemys nostre dit seignur le roy deins la dit terre, xlj. marcs, apprendre et a paier par les mayns lez collectours a ceo lever assignés, a deux termes, c'est assavoir xx. marcs, vj. s., viij. d. a la fest de seynt Peer, qd dit est Ad Vincula, proschen a veneer, et xx. marcs, vj. s., viij. d. a la fest de Toutz Seynts adonques proschene ensuauntz, a prendre et lever les summes de xlj. marcs avaundditz de toutz les frankes tenauntz et possessours de toutz les terrez et tenementz deins la dit counté, exemptez et non exemptes, et de les terrez queux sount seisiz en lez mayns nostre dit seignur le roy, et ne mye des tenauntz a volonté, par assesioun et taxacioun Bertholmē Verdoun chivaler, Roger Gernoun, Nicholas Taaffe, Johan Clyntoun de Keppoke, Walter Plunket et Richard Bagot, par issint qe les collectours de lez summez avaundditz ne accomptent point a le eschequer nostre seignur le

roy en Irelande ne devaunt nulle officer ne ministre nostre dit seignur le roy, eynes devaunt auditours par le dit James etc. a ceo assignés deins le dit counté, et ne mye ailours hors de la dite counté etc.

Collectores baronie de Ferrarde : Henricus Palmer et Iohannes Olton seruiens.

Collectores baronie de Athirde : Iohannes Houthe de Houthe-stone et Iacobus Osmonde.

Collectores baronie de Dundalke : Thomas Scryne et Iohannes Harolle.

Collectores baronie de Louethe : Robertus Broun de Kilcrony et Willelmus White seruiens ibidem etc.

[6] Hec indentura testatur quod communes comitatus Lymerici, per Dauid Lowys et Willelmum Loue, milites, electos pro communibus eiusdem comitatus in parlimiento domini regis tento apud Dubliniam die veneris proxima ante festum sancti Barnabe Apostoli, anno regni regis Henrici quinti octauo, coram nobilissimo domino Iacobo le Botiller, comite Ermonie, locum tenente domini regis Hibernie, concederunt prefato domino locum tenenti pro immensis laboribus et expensis suis factis circa defensionem fidelis populi domini regis, in nomine subsidii, xiiiij. marcas, vj. solidos, x. denarios, ita quod exempti et non exempti, Hospitales terre¹ infra comitatum predictum, in eodem subsidio contribuant et concurrant, et compotus² inde coram certo auditore et non ad scaccarium domini regis Hibernie reddatur.

Et eligerunt assessores subsidii predicti, Willelmum Lowe et Dauid Lowys, et collectores, Dauid Leshe de Borowry, Henricum Notte et Iohannem Naghtone.

[7] Hec indentura testatur quod procuratores pro decano et capitulo ecclesie Waterfordensis ac procuratores pro clero Waterfordensi necnon milites pro communibus comitatus Waterfordie et ciues pro communibus ciuitatis Waterfordie, comparentes in quodam parlimento domini regis tento apud Dubliniam die veneris proxima ante festum sancti Barnabe Apostoli, anno regni regis Henrici quinti viij., coram nobilissimo domino Iacobo

¹ Sic for 'Hospitales et terre domini regis'.

² MS. 'compotum'.

le Botiller, comite Ermonie, concesserunt eidem locum tenenti pro laudabilibus laboribus et excessiuis¹ expensis suis factis in defensionem et releuamen fidelium ligorum domini regis, xxij. marcas et dimidiam, soluendas inde medietatem ad festum sancti Petri quod dicitur Ad Vincula proximo sequens et aliam medietatem ad festum Omnis Sanctorum tunc proximo sequens, ita quod gauillarii, catalarii, exempti et non exempti, tam comitatus predicti² quam croce eiusdem, in solucionem summe predicte contribuant et concurrant, et quod compotus³ inde reddatur per collectores eiusdem summe per certum auditorem per ipsum locum tenentem assignandum, et non ad scaccarium domini regis.

Assessores et collectores summe predicte, pro communibus comitatus : Bernardus Dexcestre, Henricus Maundewille, Henricus Poer de Balydonowys et Stephanus fitz Philyppe, de aqua de Mahyn vsque ad le Very de Yoghille ; et assessores summe predicte de aqua de Mahyn vsque le Passage, Thomas fitz Henry Eylwarde et Dauid fitz Milonis Herbarde ; collectores, Milo Poer, baro de Donnylle, Petrus fitz Iohan fitz Geffrey Poer, Arnaldus fitz Eustace Oge Power.

Et pro decano et capitulo et clero : Thomas Forstalle, Willelmus Mannynge, Walterus McGilmur, Iohannes Doghe.

Assessores et collectores pro communibus ciuitatis : Dauid fitz Dauy et Mauricius Syndrake.

Assessores et collectores :⁴ Iohannes Sawter et Henricus Trewloue.

Et quod nulla candreda in comitatu predicto in leuacione subsidii predicti pro alia distingatur.

[8] Hec indentura testatur quod communes ciuitatis Lymerici per Iohannem Spafforde et Patricium Lang, ciues, electos pro communibus predictis in parlimendo domini regis tento apud Dubliniam die veneris proxima ante festum sancti Barnabe Apostoli, anno regni regis Henrici viij., coram nobili domino, domino Iacobo le Botiller, comite Ermonie, locum tenente domini regis Hibernie, pro immensis laboribus et expensis suis factis circa defensionem fidelium ligorum domini regis, con-

¹ MS. 'excessiues'.

² MS. 'predicto'.

³ MS. 'compotum'.

⁴ Sic. The two men last named are presumably the collectors for the city.

cesserunt eidem locum tenenti, in nomine subsidii, quinque marcas et quinque solidos, ita quod compotus inde coram certo auditore per ipsum locum tenentem assignato, et non ad scaccarium domini regis Hibernie, reddatur.

[9] Hec indentura testatur quod clerus Dublinensis dioecesis in quodam parliamento domini regis apud Dubliniam die veneris proxima ante festum sancti Barnabe Apostoli, anno regni regis Henrici quinti octauo, tento, et ad diem lune proximam post festum sancti Andree Apostoli ad eundem locum adiornato, de eorum communi assensu grataanter concesserunt nobili domino Iacobo le Botteller, comiti Ermonie, locum tenenti domini regis in Hibernia, xij. libras, xiii. solidos, iiiij. denarios, ad resistendum hibernicis inimicis et pro bona reformacione pacis domini regis in Hibernia, soluendos ad duos anni terminos, videlicet ad festum sancti Petri quod dicitur Ad Vincula et ad festum Omnim Sanctorum tunc proximo sequens datam¹ confecccionis presencium, per equales porciones, ad leuandum de eodem clero, ita quod liberi tenentes, firmarii, gauellarii et catallarii supradicti cleri concurrant et contribuant cum supradicto clero in solucione predictarum xij. librarum, xiii. solidorum, iiiij denariorum, et eciam quod collectores comitatum Dublinie et Kildare supra sepedictum clerum et eorum liberos tenentes, firmarios, gauellarios et catalarios nullo modo se intromittant, et quod compotus inde coram certo auditore per ipsum dominum locum tenentem ad hoc assignando, et non ad scaccarium domini regis in Hibernia, reddatur.

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Assessores pro subsidio et expensis procuratorum cleri : prior Omnim Sanctorum iuxta Dubliniam, prior sancti Thome Martiris, prior sancti Iohannis extra Nouam Portam Dublinie, dominus Iohannes Hothum, rector de Clogheran.

Collectores : decanus christianitatis Dublinie, in ciuitate, vicarius de Balymadone, in decanatu de Swerdes,² vicarius de Lucan, in decanatibus de Tany et Saltu, vicarius de Rathmore, in decanatu de Balymore, rector de Kynneghe, in decanatu de Omurthy.

¹ This date was presumably not earlier than 2 December 1420 : cf. no. 31, which is dated 14 December, the day upon which the parliament was adjourned (above, p. xxv). If so, the dates of payment would be in 1421. See, however, nos. 36 and 40 and the notes thereto.

² MS. inserts 'vicarius de Lucan, in decanatu de Swerdes'. The text is corrupt and incomplete : cf. no. 33 below.

[10] Cest endenture tesmoigne qe mounsire Iohan Bellewe l'eisné, chivaler, esluez pur lez communez del fraunchise de Mithe, et mounsire Robert Tuyt, chivaler, eslieuz pur les communes del croce de Mithe, apparauntz en une parlement tenuz a Dyvelyn le vendyrdy proschein devaunt le fest de seynt Barnabé l'appostle, l'an du regne le roy Henry quynt viij^{me}, devaunt le tresnoble seignur James le Batiller,¹ count d'Ormond, lieutenant nostre seignur le roy en Irlande, ouint grauntés a mesme le lieutenant, pur sez commendables travailles et excessivez expensez faitz en defence et relevacioun dez foialx ligez nostre seignur le roy, viij^{xx} et deux marcs d'argent, a paiers ent la moité al fest de seynt Pier qd est Ad Vincula proschein a venir, et l'autre moité al fest de Toutz Seyntz adonques prochein ensuaunt, a leuers et perceyuers l'avaundite summe de les frankez tenaantz et possessours des terres et tenementz deins lez ditz fraunchise et croce, si bien exempte et noun exempte, come dez terrez et tenementz es mayns le roy esteantz, et nient dez tenaantz a volonté, save qe lez chatellers paient a lour seignurs xij. deniers de chescun livre de lour biens en eайдe du dite summe et qe les burghes paient en eайдe du dit summe a taunt come lez assessours del dite summe sur eaux resonablement assessorount et qe lez collectours du dite summe rendant² accompt a une certeyn auditour par le dit lieutenant assigné, et ne mye a l'eschequer le roy en la dite terre.

Assessoures du dite summe : Iohan Bellew chivaler, Robert Tuyt chivaler, Walter de la Hyde chivaler, et Thomas Cusak chivaler.

Lez collectours³ du dite summe de la barony de Dyueleke : Richard Laundey, Davy fitz Davy ; del barony de Slane : Bartholomewe Heyroun et William Deycetre ; del barony de Scryne : Johan Abbot Belle et Ricardus⁴ Penteney de Caberaghe ; del barony de Rathtouthe : William Carter et Johan Carter ; del barony de Dunboigne : Johan Wysman, William Waryng Bagger ; del barony de Dees : Robert fytz Leuys et William Engleys ; de barony de Moyfyurathe : Philippe Rede et Philippe Sommer ; del barony del Novan : Johan Philpote de Clonaghlevyn et Esmonde Nangle ; del barony de Lune : Thomas White de Newetoun et Johan Graunt de Frayne ; del barony

¹ Sic.

² Sic.

³ MS. 'collectours'.

⁴ Sic.

de Kenlys : Davy Mulsot et Johan Forde : del barony de Mar-gally : William Robert et Thomas Roche ; del barony de Fowere : James Fay et Thomas Goldynge ; dez baronies de Delvyn, Ferbille et Moyeghshire : Johan Comyn le puisné et Johan White de Bellaghe ; dez baronies de Molyngerre, Moygowse et Corkry : Matheu Tyrelle, Iohannes¹ Hendbody et Johan Hoppe.

[11] Hec indentura testatur quod in quodam parliamento domini regis tento apud Dubliniam, die veneris proxima ante festum sancti Barnabe Apostoli, anno regni regis Henrici quinti octauo, coram nobili domino Iacobo le Botteler, comite Ermonie, locum tenente domini regis in Hibernia, communes comitatus Weysfordie ac villarum Weysfordie² et Rosse de eorum vnanimi assensu concesserunt prefato Iacobo, locum tenenti, pro laudabilibus laboribus suis et expensis factis pro salubri gubernacione et defensione ligeorum domini regis in terra sua predicta, xix. libras, iiii. solidos, soluendos medietatem ad festum sancti Petri quod dicitur Ad Vincula proximo sequens et aliam medietatem ad festum Omnim Sanctorum adtunc proximo sequens, ita quod exempti et non exempti dicti³ comitatus ac villarum Weysfordie et Rosse concurrant cum communibus dicti³ comitatus in solucione dicte summe, ita quod collectores inde reddant compotum coram certo auditore per predictum locum tenentem assignando, et non ad scaccarium domini regis terre predicte.

Assessores dicti subsidii ; Iohannes Roche Otteri, Nicholaus Byrtone, Henricus fitz Remoun, Geraldus Furlang, Robertus Scorloc, Nicholaus Frynche.

Collectores dicti subsidii ; Mauricius Waddyng, Iohannes Kyng, Iohannes filius Walteri Broun, Ricardus Peres, Iohannes Boy Meilere, Adam Prendergast.

[12] Hec indentura testatur quod Frater Thomas Scorlag, prior domus sancti Petri Noue Ville iuxta Tryme, et Iohannes Randolffe, rector de Galtry, procuratores per clerum Midensem electi ad comparendum coram domino Iacobo le Botiller, comite Ermonie, locum tenente domini regis in Hibernia, in parliamento dicti domini regis apud Dubliniam die veneris proxima ante festum sancti Barnabe Apostoli, anno regni regis Henrici quinti octauo, tento, concesserunt dicto domino locum tenenti

¹ Sic. ² MS. 'Veys'. ³ MS. 'dicte'.

octoginta marcas argenti, in partem solucionis cuiusdam subsidii septinginta marcarum, ad sustentacionem guerrarum terre predicte, per clerum, magnates et communes terre predicte in dicto parlimendo comparentes electos concessi, leuandas et colligendas de dicto clero ad duos anni terminos, videlicet ad festa sancti Petri quod dicitur Ad Vincula et Omnium Sanctorum proximo sequencia, per equales porciones, ita quod omnes liberi tenentes, gauillarii, et catallarii dicti cleri necnon Hospitalarii, tam exempti quam non exempti, concurrant et contribuant cum dicto clero in solucione dictarum octoginta marcarum, ita quod compotus inde non reddatur ad scaccarium domini regis in Hibernia, set receptoribus per dictum dominum locum tenentem nominandis,¹ assignand', leuand', colligend' et eisdem receptoribus soluend'.

[13] Hec indentura facta testatur quod decanus et capitulum ^{m.2} Fernense et cleris Fernensis diocesis in quodam parlimendo domini nostri regis incepto apud Dubliniam die veneris proxima ante festum sancti Barnabe Apostoli, anno regni regis Henrici quinti octauo, coram nobilissimo domino, domino Iacobo le Botteler, comite de Ormonde, locum tenente domini nostri regis in Hibernia, et continuato ad diem lune tunc proximo sequentem post festum sancti Andree Apostoli ad Dubliniam, concesserunt eidem domino locum tenenti ij. libras, ij. solidos, viij. denarios, pro expensis quas fecit et est facturus pro defensione rei publice dicte terre Hibernie et pro destruccióne² illius nefandissimi vsus qui vocatur 'coygne et leuerey,' ita tamē quod exempti et non exempti, gauellarii et catallarii glebe ecclesiarum dicte Fernensis diocesis concurrant cum dicto clero in solucione dicte summe, et quod collectores dicti subsidii non in scaccario nec coram baronibus scaccarii domini regis terre Hibernie, set coram certo auditore ad hoc specialiter deputato, inde respondeant et compotum reddant.

Assessores dicti subsidii : dominus Henricus Meyler, vicarius sancti Patricii de Weysforde, dominus Thomas Bryddesalle, dominus Iohannes Yonge, vicarius de Kyllage, dominus Iohannes Maddan, rector de Ballyeyngely, dominus Willelmus Redelle, vicarius de Feherde.

¹ From this point the text is defective : the gerundives refer presumably to collectors to be appointed by the clergy : cf. no. 30 below.

² MS. 'districcione'.

Collectores dicti subsidii: dominus Thomas Yoyng, vicarius de Kylmore, Henricus Ounger, prior sancti Saluatoris de Rosse.

- [14] Hec indentura testatur quod decanus et capitulum et clerus ecclesie Leghliensis, per Iohannem Thundre, capellananum, et Willelmum White, clericum, procuratores suos, ac Thomam¹ Byrtone et Stephanum¹ Casse, milites, electos¹ pro communibus comitatus Cathirlaghie, in quodam parlimamento domini regis tento apud Dubliniam die veneris ante festum sancti Barnabe Apostoli, anno regni regis Henrici quinti viij., comparentes coram nobili domino, domino Iacobo le Botiller, comite Ermonie, locum tenente domini regis terre sue Hibernie, de communi assensu suo concederunt eidem locum tenenti, pro laudabilibus laboribus et excessiuis expensis suis factis in defensionem et reueacionem fidelium ligorum domini regis terre sue predicte, vj. marcas et vj. solidos, viij. denarios, soluendos inde medietatem ad festum sancti Petri, dictum Ad Vincula sancti Petri, proximo futurum, et aliam medietatem ad festum Omnium Sanctorum tunc proximo sequens, per assessmentem et collezionem, pro decano, capitulo et clero, Nicholai Clohulle et Thome de Dounleke, capellanorum, ac per assessmentem et collezionem Henrici Veigne, monachi, pro communibus graungie de la Wodde, et per collezionem et assessmentem Iohannis Doun de Balmaclaghtyn, pro terris et tenementis Theobaldi Botiler, et per assessmentem Iohannis McLawyr, Iohannis Claghulle, Walteri Greffelle de Tillaghe, Thome Galrathe, Simonis Vale, et per collectionem Iacobi Crowthour et Patricii OCurry, pro villa de Cathirlaghe et baroniis de Forde, Obargy, et Felmythe: et quod collectores summe predicte reddant compotum inde coram certo auditore per ipsum locum tenentem assignato, et non ad scaccarium domini regis terre predicte, ita quod gauellarii, liberi tenentes, catallarii, exempti et non exempti, concurrant et contribuant cum decano, capitulo, clero et communibus predictis.

- [15] Hec indentura testatur quod communes comitatus Dublinie, per Stephanum Houthe et Richardum Tyrelle, milites, electos per eosdem communes ad comparendum pro eis, consenciendum et dissensiendum in parlimamento domini regis apud Dubliniam

¹ Sic.

tento, die veneris proxima ante festum sancti Barnabe Apostoli, anno regni regis Henrici quinti octauo, coram nobili domino Iacobo le Botiller, comite Ermonie, locum tenente domini regis Hibernie, comparentes, grataanter concesserunt eidem locum tenenti, pro laudabilibus laboribus et excessiuis expensis suis factis in defensionem et reeuamen fidelium ligeorum domini regis Hibernie, iij^{xx} xvj. marcas in nomine subsidii, ita quod gauillarii et catallarii, exempti et non exempti, Hospitalis et terre domini regis infra comitatum predictum in eodem subsidio concurrant et contribuant, et compotus¹ inde coram certo auditore per ipsum locum tenentem deputando, et non ad scaccarium domini regis Hibernie, reddatur, de qua quidem summa communes ciuitatis Dublinie, in eodem parliamento comparentes per Thomam Shorthals et Radulphum Penbroke, ciues, pro communitate² predicta capiunt super se, in exoneracionem de summa predicta comitatus predicti, x. marcas et x. solidos, et sic remanent de claro comitatui predicto iij^{xx} v. marce et xl. denarii, soluendi medietatem inde ad festum sancti Petri, dictum Ad Vincula, proximo sequens et alias medietatem ad festum Omnium Sanctorum tunc proximo sequens.

Nomina assessorum subsidii predicti in comitatu predicto : Iohannes Oweyn, Robertus White, Stephanus Howthe et Ricardus Tyrrelle.

Nomina collectorum eiusdem subsidii : Iohannes Tyrell, Iohannes Walcshe et Robertus Loterelle.

[16] Hec indentura testatur quod in quodam parliamento domini regis tento apud Dubliniam die veneris proxima ante festum sancti Barnabe Apostoli, anno regni regis Henrici quinti octauo, coram nobili domino Iacobo le Botiller, comite Ermonie, locum tenente domini regis Hibernie, communes ville de Kynsale, in eodem consilio³ comparentes per Iohannem Tobyn et Philippum Russelle, burgenses, electos pro villa predicta, de eorum vnanimi assensu concesserunt prefato locum tenenti, pro laudabilibus suis laboribus et excessiuis expensis factis pro salubri gubernacione et defensione ligeorum domini regis in terra sua predicta, xxxvj. solidos, viij. denarios, pro parte sua de illis xxj. marcis, vj. solidos, viij. denariis, quos decanus,

¹ MS. 'compotum'. ² Sic. ³ Sic.

capitulum et clerus ecclesie Corkagensis et communes comitatus Cork concedere debuissent de subsidio DCC. marcarum, concessso dicto locum tenenti in parlimento predicto, soluendos medietatem inde ad festum sancti Petri quod dicitur Ad Vincula proximo sequens et aliam medietatem ad festum Omnim Sanctorum tunc proximo sequens, per assessmentem Willelmi Broun et Philippi Roche et per collectionem prepositi ville predicte, ita quod predictus collector inde reddat compotum suum coram certo auditore per dictum locum tenentem assignando, et non ad scaccarium domini regis terre sue predicte.

- [17] Hec indentura testatur quod in quodam parlimento domini regis tento apud Dubliniam die veneris proxima ante festum sancti Barnabe Apostoli, anno regni regis Henrici quinti octauo, coram nobili domino Iacobo le Botiller, comite Ermonie, locum tenente dicti domini regis in Hibernia, communes comitatus de Drogheada eorum communi assensu concesserunt eidem locum tenenti, pro sustentacione et maumentencia guerrarum domini regis in Hibernia et pro magnis et excessiuis laboribus et expensis, quos dictus locum tenens ante hec tempora fecit et imposterum faciet dictis communibus et aliis ligeis domini regis terre predicte, tam in partibus Anglie, Normannie quam Hibernie, in releuacionem status sui, quoddam subsidium quatuor librarum, vndeclim solidorum et vnius denarii, leuandum et colligendum de communibus comitatus predicti, soluendum, videlicet medietatem inde ad festum sancti Petri quod dicitur Ad Vincula proximo futurum et aliam medietatem ad festum Omnim Sanctorum extunc proximo sequens; per taxacionem et assessmentem Nicholai White et Ricardi Grenane, ita quod collectores inde reddant compotum suum coram certo auditore per ipsum locum tenentem ad hoc assignando, et non ad scaccarium domini regis terre predicte.

Collectores : Rogerus Mallan, Iohannes Whitehede.

- [18] Hec indentura testatur quod clerus Ardmacanus, comparens per dominum Nicholaum Alexander, procuratorem suum, in parlimento domini regis tento apud Dubliniam coram Iacobo le Botiller, comite Ermonie, locum tenente domini regis Hibernie, die veneris proxima ante festum sancti Barnabe Apostoli, anno regni regis Henrici quinti octauo, concessit prefato domino

locum tenenti, pro laudabilibus laboribus suis circa defensionem ligeorum domini regis Hibernie et distructionem et extorcionem que dicuntur 'coignes,' nouem libras, duos solidos et tres denarios, soluendos ei medietatem inde ad festum sancti Petri quod dicitur Ad Vincula et aliam medietatem ad festum Omnim Sanctorum, ita tamen quod Hospitalarii ceterique, exempti et non exempti, liberique tenentes, firmarii et gauillarii eiusdem cleri, adolucionem eiusdem summe in spiritualibus et temporalibus concurrant et contribuant cum dicto clero, et quod collectores nec receptores summe predicte ad scaccarium domini regis, set coram certo auditore per ipsum locum tenentem deputato, ad compotum inde reddendum minime compellantur.

Nomina assessorum : Thomas Burgeys, Iohannes Penkestone, in baronia de Saut ; Thomas Lyarde, Iohannes Whit, in baronia de Naas ; Philippus Gerre, Ricardus Donoghe, in baronia de Oghtryn ; Ricardus Row, Willelmus Birt, in baronia de Okethy ; Thomas Lang de Clane, Thomas Birt, in baronia de Otymy ; Iohannes Nicolle, Iohannes Whit, in baronia de Conale ; Iohannes Drew, Dauid Fraunceys, in baronia de Offaly ; Philippus Rede, in baronia de Kilcolyn ; Philippus Archer, Iohannes Broghale, in baronia de Norraghe ; Bartholomeus de la Bere, in baronia de Mone ; Walterus Bateman, Ricardus fitz Adam, in baronia de Kilca ; Iohannes Creffe, in baronia de Dunlost ; Geraldus seynt Mychelle, in baronia de Ribane.

Nomina collectorum eorundem : Philippus Walshe, Iohannes Waspatrik, in baronia de Saut ; Iohannes Lang de Punchetone, Willelmus Tomyne, in baronia de Naas ; Philippus Clerk, Iohannes Lang, in baronia de Oghtryn ; Iohannes fitz Morice Roche iunior, Thomas Gladyn, in baronia de Okethy ; Robertus Milis, Iohannes Waryne, in baronia de Otymy ; Patricius Loghane, Iohannes Lang, in baronia de Conale ; Dauid Fraunceys, Iohannes Drew, in baronia de Offaly ; Philippus Rede, in baronia de Kilcolyne ; Philippus Walshe, in baronia de Mone ; Thomas Wardale, Iohannes Smythe, in baronia de Kilca ; Willelmus Jeffrey, Iacobus Norraghe, in baronia de Norragh ; Ricardus How, in baronia de Dunlost ; Geraldus seynt Mychelle, in baronia de Ribane : Iohannes OBaghille Goldsmythe, in Carbry, collector et assessor.

[19] Hec indentura testatur quod in quodam parlimendo domini regis tento apud Dubliniam die veneris proxima ante festum sancti Barnabe Apostoli, anno regni regis Henrici quinti octauo, coram nobili domino Iacobo le Botiller, comite Ermonie, locum tenente dicti domini regis in Hibernia, communes comitatus Kildare de eorum communi assensu concesserunt eidem locum tenenti pro immensis laboribus et expensis suis factis circa defensionem fidelis populi domini regis Hibernie, quinquaginta et tres marcas argenti, leuandas et colligendas de communibus comitatus predicti, soluendas, videlicet medietatem inde ad festum sancti Petri quod dicitur Ad Vincula proximo futurum et aliam medietatem ad festum Omnim Sanctorum extunc proximo sequens, ita quod liberi tenentes, gauellarii, catallarii, exempti et non exempti, eiusdem comitatus et temporalia sancti Wolstani concurrant et contribuant cum communibus comitatus predicti, ita quod collectores inde reddant compotum suum coram certo auditore per predictum locum tenentem ad hoc assignando, et non ad scaccarium domini regis terre predicte.

Nomina collectorum et assessorum summe predicte patent in quadam cedula presentibus annexa.¹

[20] Hec indentura testatur quod decanus et capitulum et clerus Ossoriensis in quodam parlimendo domini nostri regis incepto apud Dubliniam die veneris proxima ante festum sancti Barnabe Apostoli, anno regni regis Henrici quinti viij^o, coram nobilissimo domino, domino Iacobo le Bottiller, comite de Ormonde, locum tenente dicti domini nostri regis in terra Hibernie, et continuato ad diem lune proximam post festum sancti Andree Apostoli tunc proximo sequens ad Dubliniam, concesserunt eidem locum tenenti xlivij. solidos pro expensis quas fecit et est facturus pro defensione rei publice dicte terre Hibernie et pro destruccione detestabilis vsus, videlicet 'quenyes,' ita tamen quod exempti et non exempti, gauillarii et catallarii glebe dicte diocesis concurrant cum dicto clero in solucione prefate summe, et quod collectores supradictorum xlivii. solidorum non in scaccario nec coram baronibus scaccarii, set coram certo auditore ad hoc specialiter deputato, inde respondeant et compotum reddant.

¹ No schedule is annexed to the roll and there are no needle-marks.

Nomina assessorum : dominus Patricius Dowle, vicarius de Balaghe, dominus Walterus , rector de

Nomina collectorum: Dominus Thomas Broun, vicarius de Rosbargone, dominus Nicholaus Nougylle, vicarius de Callan, dominus Remundus Bernan, vicarius de Castridogh, dominus Iohannes White, vicarius de Kylmaborh.

[21] Hec indentura testatur quod decani, capitula et cleris Corkagensis et Clonensis in quodam parlimendo domini nostri regis incepto apud Dubliniam die veneris proxima ante festum sancti Barnabe Apostoli, anno regni regis Henrici quinti viij^o, coram nobilissimo domino Iacobo le Botiller, comite de Ormonde, locum tenente dicti domini nostri regis in terra Hibernie, et continuato ad diem lune proximam post festum sancti Andree Apostoli tunc proximo sequens ad Dubliniam, concesserunt eidem domino locum tenenti duas marcas et duos solidos pro expensis quas fecit et est facturus pro defensione rei publice dicte terre Hibernie, ita tamen quod exempti et non exempti, gauillarii et catallarii glebe dictorum diocesum concurrant cum dicto clero in solucione prefate summe, et quod collectores supradictarum duarum marcarum et duorum solidorum, non in scaccario nec coram baronibus scaccarii, set coram certo auditore ad hoc specialiter deputato, inde respondeant et compotum reddant.

Nomina assessorum pro clero Corkagensi : dominus Robertus Pellyn, dominus Nicholaus Roche.

Collectores eiusdem subsidii in diocesi Corkagensi : dominus Thomas OhNolachan, dominus Willelmus OHogan.

Assessores in diocesi Clonensi : dominus Thomas Sawage, dominus Thomas Blake.

Collectores eiusdem in diocesi Clonensi : dominus Bernardus fitz Hwe, dominus Thomas OLeghe.

[22] Hec indentura facta testatur quod communes comitatus Thyperarie, de eorum vñanimi assensu, cum capitulo et clero eiusdem comitatus in parlimendo domini nostri regis Anglie tento apud Dubliniam die veneris proxima ante festum sancti Barnabe Apostoli, anno regni regis Henrici quinti post conquestum Anglie octauo, coram potenti domino, domino Iacobo le Botyller, comite Ormonde, locum tenente domini regis in Hibernia,

gratanter concesserunt xxⁱⁱ iiiij. marcas argenti, nomine subsidii, ita quod in scaccario domini regis de dicto subsidio non computare debeant, set coram certo auditore in hac parte deputato teneantur computare, et sub hac forma quod clerus et capitulum, exempti et non exempti, cum eisdem communibus in eodem subsidio simul concurrant et respondeant, de quibus quidem xxⁱⁱ iiiij. marcis clerus predictus assumpsit super se duas marcas, quinque solidos, quatuor denarios, in auxilium solucionis eiusdem subsidii.

Nomina assessorum ex parte cleri sunt hec : magister Ricardus Cantwelle, Robertus How capellanus, Patricius OBerger capellanus, et Simon White capellanus.

Nomina collectorum ex parte cleri sunt hec : dominus Thomas OKarwylle, vicarius de Kylmanynan, Dionicius, vicarius de Thalachmaan, Ricardus White, vicarius de Kylmure, Iohannes Walsche, vicarius de Rathronan.

Assessores pro communibus : Edmundus Hay, prepositus de Carryg, superior de Clomelle, Iohannes Walsche de Rathronan, prepositus de Lisrorce, Walterus filius Theobaldi de Burgo, prepositus de Fytharde, Meylerus Roch Bryman, Iacobus Marreys, Ricardus Roch Synsoun, Iohannes Walle, Robertus filius Roberti Wodlog, Nicholaus Barry, Gyllepadryg More OCahylle, Donaldus More ODarmyd, Willelmus Bolek, Gylle-galde Mares, Nicholaus Cantwelle.

Collectores eiusdem : prepositus de Clomelle, prepositus de Carryg, Laurencius ONeylle, Iohannes filius Andree Power et Robertus filius Iohannis Prendyrgast, prepositus de Fytharde, Remundus Ven, Martinus fitz Remown, Robertus filius Dauid Wodlog, Loglyn OCamayn, abbas de sancta Cruce, Dauid Archer, Iohannes filius Galfridi Roch Purselle, Philippus McDowynlle Roch, I. Broych, Ricardus Faber de Sclewardach.

- [23] Hec indentura facta testatur quod decanus et capitulum ecclesie cathedralis Darensis et clerus diocesis Darensis supra-illustri et preexcellenti domino, domino Iacobo le Botteler, comiti Ermonie, locum tenenti domini nostri regis Anglie in Hibernia, in parliamento magno eiusdem domini regis Henrici quinti, anno regni sui octauo, die veneris proxima ante festum sancti Barnabe Apostoli, Dublinie inchoato, ac ad eundem locum et diem lune proximam post festum sancti Andree Apostoli

proximo deinceps sequens continuato, decem marcas argenti, nomine subsidii, pro destruccióne detestandi vsus 'conyes et lyuerys,' hactenus in Hibernia vsitati, nunc autem per eiusdem domini locum tenentis industriam atque bonitatem penitus sedati, eciam pro expensis quas idem dominus locum tenens pro rei publice defensione fecit ac est imposterum facturus, gratanter concesserunt, ita quod omnes et singuli vasalli liberique tenentes, catallarii et gauillarii eiusdem cleri, ac temporalia episcopatus Daren sis, in solucionē prefate summe cum prescriptis decano, capitulo et clero concurrant et contribuant, quodque collectores ipsius subsidii non in scaccario domini regis in Hibernia set coram certo auditore, extra idem scaccarium deputando, rationem reddere aut de huiusmodi subsidio respondere teneantur.

Nomine assessorum huiusmodi subsidii sunt hec : Iohannes Worgan, Iohannes Broun, Robertus Norraghe, Ricardus Rosselle, Iohannes Leyns, Willelmus Elyot, dominus Thomas Elyot capellanus, dominus Hugo Feroryr capellanus.

Collectores autem huiusmodi subsidii hii sunt : dominus Ricardus Lynham capellanus, dominus Ricardus Roche capellanus, dominus Iohannes Garde¹ capellanus, Robertus Howlott, Iacobus Byrsalle.

Endorsed :

Primum subsidium concessum comiti Ermonie, anno viii^o etc., DCC. marcarum etc.

Pro exoneracione Hugonis Bauent, nuper thesaurarii Hibernie regis Henrici sexti.

¹ The reading is doubtful.

K.3. m.1. TENORES INDENTURARUM CUIUSDAM SUBSIDII IACOBO LE BOTILER, COMITI DORMONDE, NUPER LOCUM TENENTI DOMINI REGIS IN HIBERNIA, IN QUODAM PARLIAMENTO, VNDE INFERIUS SIT MENCIO, CONCESSI ETC.

[24] Hec indentura testatur quod communes comitatus Kildare per Walranum Eustace et Ricardum Barby, milites, pro eisdem communibus electos, comparentes in quodam parlimuento domini regis coram nobili domino, domino Iacobo le Botiller, comite Ermonie, apud Dubliniam, die veneris proxima ante festum sancti Barnabe Apostoli, anno regni regis Henrici quinti octauo, summonito et tento, et adiornato ad locum predictum die lune proxima post festum sancti Andree Apostoli tunc proximo sequens, grataanter concesserunt¹ prefato nobili domino, pro immensis laboribus et expensis suis habitis et appositis circa defensionem et gubernacionem ligeorum domini regis in comitatu predicto, viginti et quinque marcas in nomine subsidii, ita quod liberi tenentes, gauillarii, catallarii eiusdem comitatus et temporalia domus sancti Wolstani in comitatu predicto cum communibus predictis in solucione summe predicte contribuant et concurrant, et quod inde compotus coram certo auditore per ipsum locum tenentem ad hoc assignato, et non ad scaccarium domini regis assignato, reddatur.

Nomina assessorum : Thomas Burgeys et Willelmus Martyn, in baronia de Saut ; Rogerus Roche et Ricardus Row, in baronia de Okethy ; Ricardus Donoghe et Philippus Gerre, in baronia de Oghtryn ; Thomas Longe et Iohannes Lytelle, in baronia de Otymy ; Iohannes Whit et Thomas Lyarde, in baronia de Naas ; Willelmus Henry et Iohannes Nicholle, in baronia de Conale ; Dauid Fraunceys et Walterus Creffe, in baronia de Offaly ; Iohannes Shyrtone, in baronia de Norraghe ; Walterus Bateman, in baronia de Kylka ; Bartholomeus de la Bere, in baronia de Mone ; Richardus How, in baronia de Donlost ; Geraldus seyt Mychelle, in baronia de Rybane ; Philippus Rede, in baronia de Kilcolyn.

Nomina collectorum : Willelmus fitz Roger et Willelmus fitz Iohan, in baronia de Saut ; Iohannes Richukessoun, in baronia de Okethy ; Philippus Lange, in baronia de Oghtryn ;

¹ MS. 'concesserint.'

Iohannes Lange, in baronia de Naas ; Robertus Milis, in baronia de Otymy ; Patricius Loghan, in baronia de Conale ; Iohannes Broun de Carne, in baronia de Offaly ; Philippus Rede, in baronia de Kilkoly ; Willelmus Whit, in baronia de Kilka ; Willelmus Frenshe, in baronia de Mone ; Geraldus seynt Mychelle, in baronia de Ribane ; Henricus Crieff, in baronia de Donlost ; Philippus Archere, in baronia de Norraghe ; Iohannes Baghille Golsmythe, in Carbry.

[25] Hec indentura testatur quod communes comitatus Typerarie, de eorum vnanimi assensu, cum clero et capitulo eiusdem comitatus in quodam parliamento domini regis Anglie tento apud Dubliniam die veneris proxima ante [festum] sancti Barnabe Apostoli, anno regni regis Henrici quinti post conquestum Anglie octauo, coram potenti domino, domino Iacobo le Botiller, comite¹ Ormonde et locum tenente domini regis in Hibernia, et adiornato ibidem vsque ad diem lune proximam post festum sancti Andree Apostoli, anno eiusdem regis octauo, grataanter concesserunt septem libras argenti, nomine subsidii, ita quod in scaccario domini regis de dicto subsidio nemini debeant computare, set coram certo auditore in hac parte deputato teneantur computare, sub hac forma quod cleruſ et capitulum, exempti et non exempti, cum eidem communibus in eodem subsidio simul concurrant et respondeant, de quibus predictus cleruſ assumpsit super se quinquedecem solidos et iiiij. denarios in auxilium solucionis dicti subsidii.

Nomina assessorum et collectorum eiusdem subsidii sunt hec, videlicet :

Assessores pro clero : dominus Walterus Flemynge, vicarius de Fytherde, dominus Ricardus Laweles, vicarius de Clomelle.

Nomina collectorum pro clero : dominus Philippus OMurryth, vicarius de Kilsillane, et dominus Thomas Crosshe, vicarius de Sirbestone.

Nomina assessorum eiusdem comitatus : Thomas seynt Iohan, Robertus Poer, Iohannes Brittoun, Iohannes filius Henrici Laffan, Nicholaus Barry, Shane Rewaghe Stapiltoun, Nicholaus filius Simonis Cantewelle, Thomas Fanynge, superior de Clonmelle, Walterus filius Theobaldi de Burgo, Iohannes Walshe de Rathronane et Walterus Tobyn.

¹ MS. 'comiti'.

Collectores pro communitate eiusdem subsidii : Dauid Archer, Iohannes filius Galfridi Roche Purcelle, Ricardus Smythe, Gillerewaghe Offelans, abbas de sancta Cruce, prepositus de Casselle, Robertus filius Dauid Woddeloke, Willelmus Euyas, prepositus de Fytherde, Patricius White de Moganere, Iohannes Molwarre, Iacobus Marreys, Fyne ODowlynge, Thomas filius Nicholai OShethe, prepositus de Kiltene, prepositus de Clomelle, prepositus de Lysroragh, Edmundus filius Iurdani Marreys, prepositus de Carryge et Laurencius ONeylle, etc.

[26] Cest endenture, fait le lundy proscheyn apres le fest de seynt Andrewe appostelle, l'an du regne nostre seignur le roy Henry qu'or'est viij^e, tesmoigne qe come a un parlement tenuz a Dublin le dit lundy devaunt le honourable seignur James le Botiller, count d'Ormonde, lieutenant nostre dit seignur le roy en Irelande, qe come Barthelmeu de Verdoun et Richard Bagot, eslues chivalers par commune assent de lez communes de counté de Louthe d'estre al dit parlement pur assenter et dissasentier en le dit parlement, solonqe ceo qe le bref nostre dit seignur le roy, direct al vicount du dit countée, voet et demande, par force de quele les ditz Barthelmeu et Richard ount graunté al dit treshonourable seignur James le Botiller, count d'Ormonde suisditz, pur lez grauntz labours et travailles qe le dit James ad ewe et ferra en temps a venir pur les poveres communes de la dit terre d'Irlande, en defence et recistaunce dez enemyes et rebelles nostre dit seignur le roy deins la dit terre, xix^e marc d'argent, de prendre et receyver lez ditz xix^e marc de fraunc tenaantz et possessours du dit counté, et ne mye de poveres gaoulers ne tenaantz a volontee, solonque le taxacioun, discrioun et cessioun de cessours du dit summe, issint qe lez terres seisés en les maynes nostre seignur le roy et lez fraunc tenaantz de seynt esglise deinz le dit counté soient contributories ovesque les ditz communes come ils soleient et furent devaunt cestes hures, et auxi qe les collectours ne resseivours ne nulle d'eux soient ne soit accountables en l'escheker nostre dit seignur le roy en Irelande de summe avaunditz ne rien d'y celle.

Lez cessours ; Bartholm^e Verdoun chivaler, Roger Gernoun, Richard Bagot et Walter Plunket.

Lez collectours : del baronie de Ferarde; Henry Palmer et Johan Altoun ; et de baronie de Athirde, James Osmonde et

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Johan Houthe de Houhestoun ; et de baronie de Louethe,
 William White et Robert Broun de Kilcrony ; et de baronie de
 Dundalk, Johan Harolle et Thomas Scryne.

- [27] Hec indentura, facta die lune proxima post festum sancti
 2 December Andree Apostoli, anno regni regis Henrici quinti octauo, testatur
 1420 quod Robertus Sextoun et Iohannes Heyne, milites, electi per
 communes comitatus de Drogheada ad consenciendum et dis-
 cenciendum in parlimuento domini regis tento apud Dubliniam
 coram Iacobo le Botiler, comite Ermonie, locum tenente domini
 regis terre sue Hibernie, die et anno supradictis, concesserunt
 eidem locum tenenti domini regis in manutenenciam guerrarum
 dicti domini regis terre sue predicte xlij. solidos, ij. denarios,
 obolum, leuandos de communibus predictis et soluendos eidem
 locum tenenti inmediate post festum Purificacionis beate Marie
 Virginis proximo futurum.

Assessores dicti subsidii : Nicholaus Whyt et Ricardus
 Grenan.

Collectores inde : Rogerus Mallan et Iohannes Whythede.

- [28] Hec indentura testatur quod maior et communitas ciuitatis
 Lymerici per Iohannem Spafforde et Patricium Lange, ciues,
 pro eisdem maiore et communibus electos, comparentes in
 quodam parlimuento domini regis coram nobili domino, domino
 Iacobo le Botiller, comite Ormonie, apud Dubliniam die veneris
 proxima ante festum sancti Barnabe Apostoli, anno regni regis
 Henrici quinti viij., summonito et tento, ac adiornato ad locum
 predictum die lune proxima post festum sancti Andree Apostoli
 tunc proximo sequens, grataanter concesserunt prefato nobili
 domino pro immensis laboribus et expensis suis habitis et
 appositis circa defensionem et gubernacionem ligeorum domini
 regis, triginta tres solidos et quatuor denarios, ita quod compo-
 tus inde coram certo auditore per ipsum locum tenentem assig-
 nando, et non ad scaccarium domini regis, reddatur.

- [29] Hec indentura facta testatur quod superior et communes ville
 de Rosse de eorum vnanimi assensu in quodam parlimuento
 domini regis Anglie, tento apud Dubliniam die veneris proxima
 ante festum sancti Barnabe Apostoli, anno regni regis Henrici

quinti octauo, coram potenti domino, domino Iacobo le Botiller, comite Ormonde, locum tenente domini regis Hibernie, adiornato vsque diem lune proximam post festum sancti Andree Apostoli, anno eiusdem domini regis octauo, assumpserunt super eos soluere quinque solidos et septem denarios in auxilium solucionis nouem librarum et decem solidorum argenti per communes comitatus Weysfordie et clerum eiusdem, tam exemptos quam non exemptos, de eorum vnanimi assensu, nomine cuiusdam subsidii, gratanter concessorum, ita quod dicti superior et communes dicte ville de Rosse in scaccario domini regis Hibernie de dicto subsidio nemini debeant computare, set coram certo auditore in hac parte deputato computare teneantur.

Nomina assessorum dicti subsidii: Thomas Synothe et Iohannes Gayn.

Nomina collectorum eiusdem subsidii: Iohannes Frere et Iohannes Holme.

[30] Hec indentura testatur quod Nicholaus Elisandre, rector de Clomore, canonicus ecclesie Ardmacane, procurator per clerum Ardmacanum predictum electus ad comparandum coram domino Iacobo le Botiller, comite Ermonie, locum tenente domini regis in Hibernia, in parlimento dicti domini regis apud Dubliniam die veneris proxima ante festum sancti Barnabe Apostoli, anno regni regis Henrici quinti octauo, et ad diem lune proximam post festum sancti Andree Apostoli tunc proximo sequens ad predictum locum adiornato, concessit dicto domino locum tenenti quatuor libras et quatuor solidos et sex denarios ad sustentacionem guerrarum dicte terre, ita quod omnes liberi tenentes, gauallarii et catallarii dicti cleri, necnon exempti et non exempti, concurrant et contribuant cum dicto clero in solucione predictorum quatuor librarum, quatuor solidorum et sex denariorum, ita quod compotus inde non reddatur ad scaccarium domini regis in Hibernia set receptoribus per ipsum dominum locum tenentem nominandis, et quod commissio domini regis fiat Iohanni archiepiscopo Ardmacano, Hibernie primati, ad ordinandum assessores et collectores pro eadem summa assidenda, levanda, colligenda et receptoribus per dictum dominum [locum] tenentem [nominandis] soluenda.

[31] Hec indentura, facta in crastino sancte Lucie Virginis,¹ testatur
 14 December 1420 quod decanus, capitulum et clerus Ossorienses in parlimendo
 domini nostri regis summonito, tento et inchoato apud Dubliniam,
 die veneris proxima ante festum sancti Barnabe Apostoli,
 anno regni regis Henrici quinti octauo, coram strenuissimo
 domino, domino Iacobo le Botiller, comite Ermonie, locum
 tenente domini nostri regis in terra Hybernie, adiornato ad
 diem lune proximam post festum sancti Andree Apostoli, anno
 supradicto, ad predictam ciuitatem Dublinie, grataanter con-
 cesserunt predicto domino, domino Iacobo le Botiller, nomine
 subsidii, viginti solidos pro expensis quas fecit in defensionem
 et resistenciam inimicorum dicte terre Hybernie, ita tamen
 quod assessores et collectores dicti subsidii non reddant compotum
 coram scaccario domini nostri regis set coram certo
 auditore ad hoc specialiter deputato, et quod exempti et non
 exempti atque gauillarii et tenentes glebe concurrant et respon-
 deant in predicto subsidio.

Assessores: dominus Philippus Prout, vicarius de Thomas-
 toun, dominus Willelmus Cantewelle, presbiter parochialis
 ecclesie beate Marie de Kylkennia, dominus Iohannes Fyntan,
 presbiter parochialis de Inchewolhan.

Collectores: dominus Iohannes Wyle, rector de Glascro,
 dominus Iohannes Broun, vicarius de Dounfert, dominus
 Willelmus Lorcan, vicarius de Blaunchvyleystoun, dominus
 Walterus Fylle, rector de Kyltacan.

[32] Hec indentura testatur quod decanus, capitulum et clerus
 ecclesie Leghlynensis per Iohannem Thoundre, capellatum,
 procuratorem suum, ac Thomam² Burtoun et Stephanum²
 Casse, milites, electos² pro communibus comitatus Cathirlaghie
 in quodam parlimendo domini regis tento apud Dubliniam die
 veneris proxima ante festum sancti Barnabe Apostoli, anno regni
 regis Henrici quinti octauo, et ad diem lune proximam post
 festum sancti Andree Apostoli tunc proximo sequens ad pre-
 dictum locum adiornato, comparentes coram nobili domino,
 domino Iacobo le Botiller, comite Ermonie, locum tenente domini
 regis terre sue Hibernie, de communi assensu suo concesserunt
 dicto locum tenenti pro laudabilibus laboribus et expensis

¹ The day upon which the parliament was adjourned (above p. xxv).
² Sic.

excessiuis suis factis in defensionem et reueacionem fidelium
 ligeorum domini regis terre sue predicte, quadraginta solidos
 soluendos ad festum Purificacionis beate Marie Virginis proximo 2 February
 futurum per assessmentem et colleccionem, pro decano, capitulo
 et clero, Thome Coynge, capellani de Dounlek, ac per assess-
 ionem et colleccionem Henrici Veyn, monachi, pro communibus
 graungie de la Wode, et per colleccionem et assessmentem Iohannis
 Donne de Balmalaghtyn pro terris et tenementis Theobaldi
 Botiller, et per assessmentem McLawir Aunley Cam, Walteri
 Greffelde de Tyllaghe, Iohannis fitz Dauy, Thome Marchos, et
 per colleccionem Philippi Lange et Patricii OCurry pro villa
 de Cathirlaghe et baroniis de Ferde, Obargy et Felemythe, et
 per colleccionem Thome Marchos predicti pro terris et tene-
 mentis infra eundem comitatum; et per colleccionem Thome
 Coynge pro terris et tenementis abbatis de Balkyglass, ita
 tamen quod omnes liberi tenentes, gauillarii, catallarii et tam
 exempti quam non exempti concurrant et contribuant cum
 dictis clero et communibus in solucione summe predicte, ita
 quod compotum inde non reddant ad scaccarium domini regis
 in Hibernia, set auditoribus per ipsum locum tenentem
 assignandis.

[33] Hec indentura testatur quod clerus Dublinensis diocesis in
 quodam parlimento domini regis apud Dubliniam die veneris
 proxima ante festum sancti Barnabe Apostoli, anno regni regis
 Henrici quinti octauo, tento, et ad diem lune proximam post
 festum sancti Andree Apostoli ad eundem locum adiornato,
 ac deinde ad diem lune proximam post festum sancti Ambrosii 7 April
 Episcopi tunc sequens ad eundem locum iterum adiornato, de
 eorum communi assensu grataanter concesserunt nobili ac
 potenti domino, domino Iacobo le Boteler, comiti Ermonie,
 locum tenenti domini regis in Hibernia, sex libras et quinque
 solidos, soluendos ad festum Purificacionis beate Marie Vir-
 ginis proximo sequens datam¹ confecccionis presencium, ad
 leuandum de eodem clero pro inmensis laboribus et expensis
 quos in resistenciam inimicorum et rebellium dicti domini
 regis in diuersis partibus strenuissime fecit, ita quod liberi
 tenentes, firmarii, gauellarii et catallarii supradicti cleri con-

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¹ Presumably subsequent to 7 April: see notes to nos. 9 and 40, and compare no. 41.

currant et contribuant cum supradicto clero in solucione predictarum sex librarum et quinque solidorum, et eciam quod collectores comitatuum Dublinie et Kildarie supra sepedictum clerum et eorum liberos tenentes, firmarios, gauellarios et catallarios nullo modo se intromittant, et quod compotus inde coram certo auditore per ipsum dominum locum tenentem ad hoc assignando, et non ad scaccarium domini regis, reddatur.

Assessores: prior Omnium Sanctorum iuxta Dubliniam, prior sancti Wolstani.

Collectores: Iohannes White, vicarius de Balmadon, pro decanatu de Swerdes; Helias Herforde, vicarius de Leucan, pro decanatibus de Tany et Saltu; Ricardus Riche, vicarius de Trystydermot, pro decanatu de Omurthy; vicarius de Ramore, pro decanatu de Ballymore; vicarius de Bree, pro decanatu de Bree.

- [34] Hec indentura testatur quod Frater Thomas Scurlage, prior domus sancti Petri iuxta Trym, Midensis diocesis, et Iohannes Randolffe, rector de Galtrym, eiusdem diocesis, procuratores cleri Midensis, in quodam parlimiento domini regis apud Dubliniam coram nobili ac potenti domino, domino Iacobo le Botiller, comite Ermonie, locum tenente domini regis in Hibernia, die veneris proxima post festum sancti Barnabe Apostoli, anno regni regis Henrici quinti octauo, tento, et ad diem lune proximam post festum sancti Andree Apostoli proximo tunc sequens ad eundem locum adiornato, ac deinde ad diem lune proximam post festum sancti Ambrosii proximo tunc sequens ad eundem locum iterum adiornato, per eundem clerum specialiter deputati, nomine eiusdem cleri dicto domino locum tenenti, pro inmensis laboribus et expensis quas in resistenciam inimicorum et rebellium dicti domini regis diuersis partibus strenuissime fecit, viginti libras argenti, nomine subsidii, grataanter concesserunt, soluendas ad festum Purificacionis beate Marie proximo nunc sequens¹, ita quod liberi tenentes, firmarii, gauellarii et catallarii supradicti cleri, et eciam quod exempti et non exempti² precipue, concurrant et contribuant cum supradicto clero in solucione predictarum viginti librarum, et quod compotus inde non ad scaccarium

¹ See preceding note.

² MS. inserts 'et'.

domini regis in Hibernia, set coram certo auditore per ipsum dominum locum tenentem ad hoc specialiter assignando, reddatur, et quod per episcopum et clerum Midensem dictum subsidium assedatur et collectores eiusdem per eosdem nominentur et assignentur.

- [35] Hec indentura testatur quod decanus, capitulum et clerus diocesis Fernensis in quodam parlimento regio apud Dubliniam die veneris proxima ante festum sancti Barnabe Apostoli, anno regni regis Henrici quinti octauo, coram nobilissimo domino, Iacobo le Botiler, comite de Ormonde, locum tenente domini regis terre sue Hibernie, incepto et inchoato, ac abinde usque ad diem lune proximam post festum sancti Andree Apostoli, eodem anno, ad locum predictum adiornato, et ibidem in eodem loco usque ad diem lune proximam post festum sancti Ambrosii Episcopi, anno regni regis supradicti nono, iterum secundo adiornato et continuato, concesserunt prefato domino locum tenenti xix. solidos, nomine subsidii, pro nimiis laboribus et expensis suis pro defensione terre predicte in diuersis partibus eiusdem terre factis, ita quod exempti et non exempti, catallarii et gauellarii glebe ecclesiarum dicte Fernensis diocesis concurrent cum dicto clero in solucione summe predicte, et quod collectores dicti subsidii compotum inde ad scaccarium domini regis in Hibernia minime reddere teneantur set coram certo auditore ad compotum inde assignandum¹ specialiter assignato.

Assessores dicti subsidii : dominus Henricus Meyler, Thomas Bridsale, dominus Robertus Heruy, dominus Ricardus Tirrelle, dominus Willelmus Rendelle, dominus Willelmus Doffe.

Collectores dicti subsidii : dominus Willelmus Corrynge, vicarius de Rathaspoke, dominus Iohannes Yonge, vicarius de Killage, dominus Iohannes Maddan, rector de Balyengly, dominus Milo Porter, vicarius de Hoke.

- [36] Hec indentura testatur quod Iohannes Euer et Willelmus Hay, burgenses, pro communibus ville de Weysforde electi ad comparendum coram nobili domino, domino Iacobo le Botiller, comite Ermonie, locum tenente domini regis in Hibernia, in parlimento ipsius domini regis apud Dubliniam die veneris

¹ Sic, for 'audiendum' : see no. 42.

proxima ante festum sancti Barnabe Appostoli, anno regni regis Henrici quinti octauo, tento, et ad diem lune proximam post festum sancti Andree Apostoli tunc proximo sequens ad eundem locum adiornato, concesserunt predicto locum tenenti decem solidos argenti soluendos eidem locum tenenti ad festum Purificacionis beate Marie Virginis proximo sequens datam¹ confecccionis presencium, per assessmentem Mauricii fitz Waddyn et Walteri Morne et per colleccionem Iohannis Moroune Tornour et Willelmi White de Selsker, ita quod compotus inde non reddatur ad scaccarium domini regis in Hibernia set coram certo auditore per ipsum locum tenentem assignando.

[37] Hec indentura testatur quod communes comitatus Dublinie per Stephanum Houthe et Ricardum Tyrrelle, milites, electos per eosdem communes ad comparendum² pro eis, consenciendum et dissensiendum³ in parlimendo domini regis apud Dubliniam die veneris proxima ante festum sancti Barnabe Apostoli, anno regni regis Henrici quinti octauo, coram nobili domino Iacobo le Botiller, comite Ermonie, locum tenente domini regis Hibernie, tento, et ad diem lune proximam post festum sancti Andree Apostoli tunc proximo sequens adiornato, comparentes, concesserunt eidem locum tenenti, pro laudabilibus laboribus et excessiuis expensis suis factis in defensionem et reueamen fidelium ligorum domini regis Hibernie, viginti et quinque libras argenti in nomine subsidii, ita quod gauillarii et catallarии, exempti et non exempti, et terre domini regis infra comitatum predictum in eodem subsidio concurrant et contribuant, et compotus inde coram certo auditore per ipsum locum tenentem deputando, et non ad scaccarium domini regis Hibernie, reddatur. De qua quidem summa communes ciuitatis Dublinie, in eodem parlimendo comparentes per Thomam Shorthals et Radulphum Penroke, ciues, pro ciuitate predicta, capiunt super se in exoneracionem comitatus predicti de summa predicta tres libras et decem solidos, et sic remanet de claro comitatui predicto xxij. libre et x. solidi, soluendi ad festum Purificacionis beate Marie Virginis proximo futurum.

¹ Presumably between 2 and 14 December, for nothing is said of the further adjournment to 7 April 1421. The date of payment is then at Candlemas immediately following.

² MS. 'comparandum'.

³ Sic.

Nomina assessorum predicti subsidii in comitatu predicto : Robertus White de Kyllestre, Iohannes Oweyn, Stephanus Houthe, Ricardus Tyrrelle.

Nomina collectorum ; Robertus Lotrelle, Iohannes Broune de Luske.

[38] Hec indentura testatur quod decani et capitula ecclesiarum Waterfordensis et Lismorensis, communes croceae earum ecclesiarum, communes comitatus Waterfordensis, exempti et non exempti, ac communes ciuitatis Waterfordensis, comparentes in quodam parliamento domini regis apud Dubliniam coram nobili domino Iacobo le Botiller, comite Ermonie, locum tenente Hibernie, die veneris proxima ante festum sancti Barnabe Apostoli, anno regni regis Henrici quinti viii., summonito et tento, ac ad eundem locum ad diem lune proximam post festum sancti Andree Apostoli proximo tunc sequens, adiornato, grataanter concesserunt prefato domino locum tenenti pro laudabilibus laboribus, misis et expensis suis habitis et factis circa gubernacionem et defensionem fidelium ligeorum domini terre sue predicte, septem libras et decem solidos soluendos ad festum Purificacionis beate Marie proximo futurum.

Assessores et collectores pro decano et capitulo ecclesie Waterfordensis : Iohannes Doghe capellanus, magister Thomas Forstalle et Thomas McGilmur capellanus.

Pro decano et capitulo Lismorensi assessores et collectores : vicarius de Dungarvan et vicarius de Ardmore Deglane.

Pro communibus comitatus assessores et collectores ab aqua de Mayn vsque Veriam de Yoghille : Henricus Maundeville, Bernardus Dexcestre et Stephanus fitz Philippe ; et ab eadem aqua de Mayne vsque ad Veriam de Passage : assessores, Thomas fitz Henry, Eylwardus et Dauid fitz Milys Herbert ; collectores, Milo Power, baro de Donnulle, Petrus fitz Iohan, Geoffrey Power et Arlandus Eustace Ogesoun Power.

Assessores et collectores pro communitate Waterfordie : Iohannes Sawter et Willelmus Loundres.

Ita quod collectores subsidii predicti coram certo auditore per ipsum locum tenentem, et non ad scaccarium domini regis, assignando inde compotum reddant, et quod nulla candreda comitatus predicti pro alia distringatur.

[39] Hec indentura testatur quod ciues, electi pro ciuitate Cork ad ^{m.2} presens parliamentum, concesserunt domino Iacobo le Botiller, comiti Ormonde, locum tenenti domini regis in Hibernia, de vltimo subsidio eidem domino in eodem parliamento concessso, xvij. solidos et v. denarios, ita quod crocea et cleru eiusdem ciuitatis, exempti et non exempti, sint contributarii etc., et quod assessores nec collectores non compellantur inde computare ad scaccarium domini regis, set quod soluant alicui per commissionem domini locum tenentis in patria¹ ad hoc specialiter assignato, qui inde faciat eisdem acquietanciam sub sigillo suo, que sufficiat ad exoneracionem ipsorum.

Sessores²: Henricus Walsh, Nicholaus Fyngane.

Collectores: Iohannes Heyne et Iohannes Hyne.

[40] Hec indentura, facta die lune proxima post festum sancti Andree
 2 December 1420 Apostoli,³ anno regni regis Henrici quinti octauo, testatur quod communes comitatus Kilkennie et ville Kilkennie in quodam-parliamento apud Dubliniam coram nobilissimo domino Iacobo le Botiller, comite Ermonie, locum tenente dicti regis in Hibernia, tento, et ad diem lune proximam post festum sancti Ambrosii Episcopi adjornato, concesserunt predicto Iacobo le Botyller, pro grandibus⁴ laboribus et expensis suis quas habuit circa saluationem populi domini regis et specialiter in comitatu antedicto, subsidium ix. librarum, ita quod gauellarii omnes et catallarii et alii, exempti et non exempti, sint in solucione predicti subsidii contributarii, et quod collectores seu receptores prefati subsidii non artentur reddere compotum inde coram baronibus scaccarii domini regis in Hibernia seu coram aliis ministris dicti regis quibuscumque, set coram certo auditore per ipsum antedictum Iacobum assignato etc.

Assessores dicti subsidii: Iohannes Gras, baro, Robertus Shorthals, Gilbertus Blauncheville, Willelmus Brounfedyr, Nicholaus Dobbyne, Ricardus Gylwarde, Nicholaus fitz Iohan, Walterus fitz Willam, Iacobus Graunt, Iohannes Datoun,

¹ Cf. no. 45, 'in dicto comitatu'; no. 46, 'nec . . . extra ciuitatem'; and no. 58, 'in dicta diocesi.'

² Sic.

³ It is difficult to reconcile this date with the mention of the adjournment, since no decision regarding the date of re-assembley would be likely to be made until the end of the session on 14 December.

⁴ MS. 'grandis'.

Iohannes Prout, Andreas Godyn, Iohannes Tobyne, superior Kilkennie, superior de Callan, Willelmus Hethyn et Thomas Arlonde.

Collectores inde : Odoghe, Shane O'Malone et Thomas More ; Schilleloghir¹, Iohannes Forstalle et Thomas Comerford Talour ; Oscalle, Iohannes fitz Iohan et Willelmus Blundelle ; Ogenty, Thomas Caunton et Willelmus Blundel seriaunt ; baronia de Instyoke, Dauid Owelyn et prepositus ibidem ; Obarcone, Robertus Broune ; Odaa, Robertus Beg McShan ; Ocroyn, Gilboy Iakissoun ; Inferior de Ouerk, Willelmus filius Iohannis filii Philippi Walsh ; libertas Datoun, Patricius McMychelle ; Datoun Quinque Valettorum, Eustacius Howlyne ; baronia Cnoktofir, Eustacius Howlyne et Nicholaus Howlyne seriaunt ; baronia de Kenlys, Eustacius Tybot et Iohannes Walshe seriaunt ; baronia Erley, Ricardus Bryt et Thomas Pembroke seriaunt ; terra abbatis de Ieriponte, Dauid Willaghe et seruiens ibidem ; terra abbatis de Dowsky, Willelmus Fossarde ; crocea, Philippus Dobyne, prepositus Kylkennie, prepositus de Callane, prepositus de Ballygauerane, prepositus de Thomasstone, prepositus de Rossebarcoun, prepositus de Coyllaghe, prepositus de Iristone iuxta Kilkenniam, prepositus de Ieriponte ; Oldetone, Ricardus Walshe ; betagii² comitis Ermonie : collectores, Walterus Brenane seriaunt, Willelmus Flemmyng seruaunt et Gylbane O'Brodyr.

[41] Hec indentura testatur quod in parlimento tento apud Dubliniam die lune proxima post festum sancti Andree³ Apostoli, anno regni regis Henrici quinti octauo, coram nobili viro Iacobo le Boteller, comite Ermonie, locum tenente domini regis in Hibernia, et certis de causis ad diem lune post festum sancti Ambrosii tunc proximo sequens adiornato, pro diuersis laboribus et expensis suis factis in castigando hibernicos inimicos et rebelles anglicos in diuersis partibus Hibernie, prior et conuentus ecclesie cathedralis sancte Trinitatis Dublinensis et decanus et capitulum ecclesie cathedralis sancti Patricii Dublinensis grataanter concesserunt dicto locum tenenti sex libras et quinque solidos argenti, soluendos dicto locum tenenti vel eius certo deputato, et non scaccario domini regis, ad festum Purificacionis beate Marie Virginis proximo sequens, ita tamen

¹ MS. 'Schill'r.'

² MS. 'betag'.

³ MS. 'Andre'.

quod libere tenentes, firmarii, gauellarii et catallarii dictorum prioris et conuentus, decani et capituli, concurrant et contribuant cum dictis priore et conuentu, decano et capitulo, in solucione predicte summe, et quod frater Willelmus Denys, dicte ecclesie sancte Trinitatis canonicus, et dominus Nicholaus Walleys, vicarius sancti Keuyni, collectores dicte pecunie, non compellantur computare scaccario domini regis, set dicto locum tenenti vel eius certo deputato.

¹ Nomina collectorum et assessorum croceae Dublinie: Patricius Fyn, Thomas Carraghe, in baronia de Senkylle; Robertus Hendy, Iohannes Dermot, Iohannes Wyput, in baroniis de Clondolkan et Rathcoulle; Iohannes Purcelle, Nicholaus Austeyn, in baronia de Ballymore; Willelmus Notyngham et Walterus Breksper, in baronia de Fynglas; Willelmus Alger, Willelmus Comynege, in baronia de Swerdes; Nicholaus Bernevalle et Iohannes Baylly, in dominico de sancto Sepulcro.

Porcio croceae Dubline, xij. li., x. s.

[42] Hec indentura testatur quod communes comitatus Weysfordie, vna [cum] clero eiusdem comitatus necnon communitatibus villarum Weysfordie et Rosse, in quodam parlimiento regis apud Dubliniam die veneris proxima ante festum sancti Barnabe Apostoli, anno regni regis Henrici quinti octauo, coram nobilissimo domino Iacobo le Botiler, comite de Ormonde, locum tenente domini regis in Hibernia, sumonito et tento, ac abinde vsque ad diem lune proximam post festum sancti Andree Apostoli eodem anno ad locum predictum adiornato, et abinde vsque ad diem lune proximam post festum sancti Ambrosii Episcopi iterum ad eundem locum adiornato et continuato, concesserunt prefato locum tenenti, nomine subsidii, pro suis nimiis laboribus et expensis in defensionem terre predicte in diuersis partibus eiusdem terre ante hec tempora diuersimode factis, ix. libras et x. solidos, ita quod exempti et non exempti concurrant cum communib[us], clero et communitatibus predictis in solucione summe predicte, cuius quidem summe communes dicti comitatus soluere debent vij. libras, xv. solidos, v.

¹ This addendum to no. 41 was copied by the scribe after no. 44. The misplacement indicates that such addenda formed no part of the indentures to which they relate and that they were probably written on separate slips which might, as in this case, become detached.

denarios, ac cleris predictus eiusdem summe soluere debet xix. solidos, necnon communitas ville Weysfordie x. solidos, et communas ville de Rosse v. solidos et viij. denarios, ita quod collectores eiusdem subsidii ad scaccarium domini regis compotum inde minime reddere teneantur, set coram certo auditore ad compotum inde audiendum specialiter assignato.

Assessores eiusdem subsidii : Ricardus Perys, Robertus Scurlage, Willelmus Snarponde, Thomas Suttoun de Aclare.

Collectores eiusdem subsidii : Dauid Estmonde de Skemolane, Patricius Ambros, Iohannes Boy Meyler et Adam Prendirgast.

[43] Cest endenture tesmoigne qe mounsire Iohan Bellewe l'esné, chivalier, esluez pur lez communes del fraanchise de Mithe, Robert Tuyt, chivaler, esluez pur lez communes del croce de Mithe, apparantz en un parlement tenuz a Dyvelyn, le lundy apres la fest de seynt Andrewe l'appostelle l'an du regne nostre seignur le roy Henry quint viij^e, devaunt le treshonourable seignur James le Botiller, count d'Ormonde, ount graunté a mesme le lieutenaunt, pur sez commendables travalles et excessives expenses faitz en defence et relevacione dez foiaux lieges nostre seignur le roy, xlji. livres et del clergy xx. livres, a levers et perceyvers l'avauntdit summe de lez frank tenauntz et possessours dez terres et tenementz deins lez ditz fraanchise et croce, si bien exempt et non exempt, come dez terres et tenementz es maynes le roy estiantz, et nient dez tenauntz a volonté, save ceo qe lez chatellers paient a lour seignurs xij. deniers de chescun livre de lour biens en aide du dit summe, et qe lez burgeys paient en aide du dit summe a taunt com les assesseurs del dit summe sur eaux resonablement assesserunt, et qe les collectours du dit summe rient acompte a une certayne auditoure par le dit lieutenaunt assigné, et ne mye a l'eschequer le roy en la dit terre d'Irlande.

Thomas de la Pylle et Lucas Hamlyn, collectores baronie de Dyueleke ; Michaelis Fylpot et Ricardus Notyngham, collectores baronie de Scryne ; Iohannes Pace et Nicholaus Hosse, collectores baronie de Dunboigne ; Willelmus Englyshe et Ricardus Wodrowe, collectores baronie de Dees ; Willelmus Carpenter et Patricius Bysset, collectores baronie de Rathe ; Willelmus Dilloun et Willelmus Roche, collectores baronie de Moyfyurathe ; Thomas White et Iohannes Graunt, collectores

baronie de Luyne ; Iohannes Moynaghe et Iohannes Lyttone, collectores baronie de Nouan ; Iohannes Cruys et Robertus Broun, collectores baronie de Kenles ; Willelmus Robert et Iohannes Water, collectores baronie de Morgalyn ; Robertus Gowry et Willelmus Fybaryn, collectores baronie de Slane ; Iacobus Fay et Iohannes McKean, collectores de Fawre ; Iohannes Comyn et Thomas Golding, collectores baroniis Delvyn, Ferbille et Moyesshelle ; Simon Darditz et Walshe¹ de Killanewre, collectores baroniis de Corkery Moygoyshe et Maghryternan.

[44] Hec indentura facta testatur quod decanus et capitulum ecclesie cathedralis Darensis et cleris Darensis, de eorum vnamini assensu in parlimendo domini nostri regis Anglie, anno regni sui septimo,² die veneris proxima post festum Corporis Christi Dublinie incepto, ac demum ad diem lune proximam post festum sancti Andree Apostoli immediate deinceps sequens necnon postmodum ad diem lune proximam post festum sancti Ambrosii proximo deinde futurum Dublinie continuato, nobili domino, domino Iacobo Botiller, comiti Ormonie, ac eiusdem domini regis locum tenenti in Hibernia, pro expensis suis et laboribus quos propter defensionem terre Hibernie laudabiliter contra inimicos dicti domini regis fecit, iiiij^{or} marcas vj. solidos et viij. denarios argenti, nomine subsidii, concesserunt, ita quod temporalia episcopatus Darensis, vasalli, liberi tenentes,³ gauillarii et catallarii dicti cleri in solucione huiusmodi subsidii cum eisdem decano, capitulo et clero contribuant et concurrant, quodque collectores memorati subsidii⁴ non ad scaccarium domini regis in Hibernia, set coram auditore ad hoc deputando de huiusmodi subsidio respondere teneantur.

Nomina vero assessorum huiusmodi subsidii hec sunt : Thomas Wastone presbiter, Thomas⁵ Elyot presbiter, Willelmus Elyot, Iohannes Worgan, Ricardus Rosselle, Iohannes Broun.

Collectorum nomina sunt hec : Iohannes Cantoun presbiter, Robertus Lawleys presbiter, Ricardus Lynham presbiter, Willelmus Donaldssoun, Thomas⁵ Benette, Philippus Bulve de Kyldare.⁶

¹ No Christian name is supplied. ² *Recte octauo.*

³ 'ten' repeated in error. ⁴ MS. inserts 'et'. ⁵ MS. 'Thoma'.

⁶ In the manuscript a paragraph follows which belongs to no. 41 where it will be found.

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[45] Hec indentura testatur quod communes Cork' per Iohannem Mithe et Thomam Halle, milites, comparentes pro predictis communibus in quodam parlimento domini regis coram nobili domino Iacobo le Botiller, comite de Ormonde, locum tenente domini regis in Hibernia, apud Dubliniam die veneris proxima ante festum sancti Barnabe Apostoli, anno regni regis Henrici quinti octauo, tento, concesserunt dicto domino locum tenenti, in auxilium ad sustentacionem guerrarum domini regis in Hibernia, quatuordecem libras, sex solidos et octo denarios, et, ad diem lune proximam post festum sancti Andree Apostoli adiornato, eciam concesserunt eidem domino locum tenenti, in auxilium sustentacionis guerrarum predictarum, adtunc septem libras, ita quod clerus et populus ciuitatis Cork', villarum de Yoghille et Kynsalle, infra libertates et extra, et exempti et non exempti, sint ad solutionem dicte summe contributarii, et quod compotus dicte summe reddatur per collectores coram certo auditore et receptore, sub sigillo priuato dicti domini locum tenentis ad hoc specialiter in dicto comitatu assignato, et non ad scaccarium domini regis nec alibi in Hibernia, et quod receptores dicte peccunie acquietanciam sufficientem facere teneantur¹ soluentibus etc.

Assessores et collectores : Mauricius Roche, dominus de Fermoy, Nicholaus filius Iohannis Barry de Castellethan, Robertus Cogan, dominus de Kerycorthe, Odo filius domini Philippi Barry, dominus de Kynalethe, Iacobus Magnelle de Casteltone Magnelle, Thomas Fynne Barry, Simon Flemynge de Belegole, Mauricius filius Iacobi Roche.

[46] Hec indentura testatur quod maior et communitas ciuitatis Cork' per Galfridum Galvy et Iohannem Mithe, comparentes pro eisdem maiore et communitate in quodam parlimento domini regis in Hibernia apud Dubliniam die veneris proxima ante festum sancti Barnabe Apostoli, anno regni regis Henrici quinti octauo, tento, concesserunt eidem domino Iacobo le Botiller, locum tenenti etc., in auxilium guerrarum domini regis etc., triginta vnum solidos, octo denarios de summa eisdem contingente de septingintis² marcis eidem domino locum tenenti in auxilium guerrarum etc. per communes Hibernie adtunc concessis, ita quod de dictis denariis non teneantur

¹ MS. 'tenantur'.

² Sic.

computare nec compotum reddere extra ciuitatem Cork', set quod soluant et computent coram certo auditore, ibidem ad hoc sub sigillo priuato dicti domini locum tenentis specialiter assignato, qui eciam acquietanciam sufficientem de receptis teneatur facere soluentibus, et non teneantur inde computare ad scaccarium domini regis in Hibernia nec alibi etc.

Assessores : Philippus Tyrry et Iohannes Walshe.

Iohannes Conylle, Willelmus Fraunceys, collectores inde.

Endorsed :

Secundum subsidium, concessum comiti Ermonie, anno viij^o etc., ccc. marcarum.

K.2, m.1. TENORES QUARUNDAM INDENTURARUM CUIUSDAM SUBSIDII
 IACOBO LE BOTILER, COMITE ERMONIE, NUPER LOCUM TENENTI
 DOMINI REGIS TERRE HIBERNIE, ANNO REGNI REGIS HENRICI
 QUINTI NONO, PROUT INFERIUS IN ISTO ROTULO SPECIFICATUR,
 CONCESSI ETC.

[47] Hec indentura testatur quod communes comitatus Weysfordie
 vna cum decano, capitulo et clero eiusdem comitatus, necnon
 villis Weysfordie et Rosse in quodam consilio regis coram Iacobo
 le Botiler, comite de Ormonde, locum tenente domini regis in
 Hibernia, apud Dubliniam die veneris proxima ante festum 10 October
 sancti Kalixti Pape, anno regni regis Henrici quinti nono,
 summonito et inchoato, concesserunt eidem comiti pro nimiis¹
 laboribus et expensis suis quos sustinuit et apposuit circa
 defensionem terre Hibernie, xix. marcas, xij. solidos et quatuor
 denarios, nomine subsidii, ita quod exempti et non exempti
 in comitatu et villis predictis comorantes concurrant et con-
 tribuant cum dictis communibus, clero et villis in soluzione
 subsidii predicti, et ita quod dicti communes, clerus ac ville
 de summa predicta ad scaccarium domini regis compotum inde
 reddere minime teneantur set coram certis auditoribus per
 ipsum comitem ad hoc specialiter assignatis siue deputatis, de
 qua quidem summa cleris predictis assumpsit super se in
 auxilium solutionis subsidii predicti ij. marcas, villa vero de
 Weysforde xv. solidos, ac villa de Rosse viij. solidos et vj.
 denarios, et residuum subsidii predicti super communibus
 comitatus predicti remanet soluendum et leuandum, quod se
 extendit ad xvij. marcas, ix. solidos et x. denarios.

Nomina assessorum pro communibus comitatus predicti :
 Iohannes Esmonde, Robertus filius Willelmi Boscher senioris,
 Iohannes Boy Meiler et Iohannes Villers.

Nomina collectorum pro communibus predictis : Iohannes
 filius Iacobi Codde, Robertus Scurlage, Willelmus Marchalle de
 Coulecloffe, Willelmus Porter et Iohannes Yonge alias Notesche.

Assessores pro clero : Robertus Gorniegane capellanus,
 Ricardus Tirrelle, vicarius de Molrancan, Iohannes O'Doynge,
 persona ecclesie de Hortone, Willelmus Barret, persona de
 Kilscowran.

¹ MS. 'nimis'.

Collectores pro clero : Iacobus OKenedy, Iohannes White capellanus, Robertus Rede capellanus, Iohannes O'Madane capellanus.

Assessores pro villa Weysfordie : Edmundus White, Iohannes Eylwarde et Thomas Roche.

Collectores eiusdem subsidii pro villa predicta : Thomas Mowroun, Walterus Boy Coluercock, Iohannes Kimor alias Latir et Dauid seint Iohan.

Assessores pro villa de Rosse : Henricus Smythe et Iohannes Eylwarde.

Collectores ville de Rosse : Willelmus Lange et Iohannes Fyscher.

[48] Soit une comissioun fait a Nicholas fitz Johan Hay et Hughe Estmonde pur la baronie de Fothirde, a Johan Ketynge et Nicolas fitz Henry pur la baronie de Bargy, a Johan Boy Meiller et Davy Roche pur la baronie de Shiremalire, a Henry fitz Remonde et Johan Barry pur la baronie de Shirebryn en la counté de Weisforde, a ordeiner et purveier pur blées, c'est assaver frument et aveignez, pur l'ostuelle James le Botiler, conte de Ormonde, lieutenant nostre seignur le roi en Irlande, quant il viendra en le dit counté, issint qe lez avauntnomméz eiant¹ sufficient et resonable garnisment del venu du dit lieutaunt en le dite counté.

[49] Hec indentura facta testatur quod communes comitatus Kildare in quodam consilio domini nostri regis, de anno regni eiusdem Henrici quinti nono, die veneris proxima ante festum sancti Kalixti Pape Dublinie celebrato, coram nobili et potenti viro, domino² Iacobo le Botiler, comite Ermonie, locum tenente eiusdem domini regis in Hibernia, comparentes, eidem domino Iacobo comiti tantum pro diuersis expensis et laboribus suis, quos propter defensionem terre Hibernie fecit, xxxiiij. marcas, x. solidos, v. denarios argenti gratanter, nomine subsidii, concesserunt, ita quod exempti et non exempti ac temporalia monasterii sancti Wlstani cum dictis communibus in soluzione huiusmodi subsidii concurrant et contribuant, quodque collectores eiusdem subsidii non in scaccario domini regis in Hibernia, set coram certis auditoribus per ipsum dominum locum tenentem deputandis, respondere de antedicto subsidio aut compotum reddere teneantur.

¹ Sic.

² MS. repeats ' domino '.

Nomina assessorum huiusmodi subsidii : Philippus Rede, baronie de Kilcolyne ; Iohannes Schurtone, Iohannes Cornelwalshe, Norraghe ; Bartholomeus de la Bere, baronie Mone ; Iohannes Rocheforde, Robertus Tauerner, Otymy ; Clemens White, Nicholaus Cassam, Naas ; Willelmus Martyne, Willelmus Duffe, Saut ; Willelmus Hanry, Iohannes Nicolle, Conalle ; Ricardus fitz Adam, Ricardus Ballymor, Kilca ; Ricardus Howe, Donlost ; Geraldus saint Michelle, Reban ; Iohannes Rewache Bosse, Carbria ; Patricius Ley, Philippus Gere, Otrynne ; Willelmus Birte, Ricardus Rowe, Okethy ; Iohannes Drwe, Dauid Fraunceys, Offaly.

Nomina collectorum sunt hec : Willelmus Fynne, baronie de Kilcolyne ; Philippus Archer, Norraghe ; Philippus Walshe, Mone ; Robertus Milys, Ricardus Holwey, Otymy ; Nicholaus Adoke, Willelmus Norreys, Naas ; Robertus Gerode, Thomas Penkestone de Kille, Saut ; Iohannes Lange, Iohannes Mery, Conalle ; Thomas Walyntone, Iohannes Rewaghe de Bertoun, Kilca ; Thomas Wolffe, Geraldus saint Michelle, Reban ; Shane OBachille, Iohannes Rewaghe Boisse, Carbria ; Ricardus Lange, Iohannes Rote de Clomore, Othtryne ; Morietaghe McConge, Iohannes de Balreyne, Okety ; Willelmus Hynossre, Dauid Cadwoly, Offaly.

[50] Hec indentura facta testatur quod decanus et capitulum et clerus Darensis in quodam consilio domini nostri regis, de anno regni eiusdem domini nostri regis Henrici quinti nono, die veneris proxima ante festum sancti Kalixti Dublinie tento comparentes, nobili et preexcellentibus domino, domino Iacobo le Botiler, comiti Ermonie, tantum pro laboribus suis et expensis, quos propter defensionem terre Hibernie fecit, nomine subsidii concesserunt vj. marcas, ij. solidos, x. denarios, ita quod temporalia episcopatus Darensis liberique tenentes, catallarii, gauillarii et vasalli dictorum decani, capituli et cleri in solucione huiusmodi subsidii cum eis contribuant et concurrant, quodque collectores non in scaccario domini regis, set coram certis auditoribus ad hoc deputandis, de dicto subsidio responderent teneantur.

Nomina assessorum huiusmodi subsidii : dominus Thomas Wastoun, dominus Nicholaus Walshe, dominus Philippus,

vicarius de Donada, Willelmus Eliot, Iohannes Broun, Philippus Cornewalshe, Ricardus Russelle.

Collectores: dominus Ricardus Notte, Robertus Howlet, dominus Ricardus Lynham, dominus Ricardus Brailes, Willelmus Donaldssoun, Thomas Benet.

[51] Hec indentura testatur quod communes comitatus Typerarie, tam crocea quam libertas, comparentes in quadam magno consilio domini regis in Hibernia apud Dubliniam coram nobili domino Iacobo le Botiler, comite de Ormonde, locum tenente ipsius domini regis, tento apud Dubliniam die veneris proxima ante festum sancti Kalixti Pape et Martiris, anno regni regis Henrici quinti nono, concesserunt ipso domino comiti pro laboribus et expensis suis factis circa defensionem ligeorum dicti domini regis in Hibernia, octo libras, vndecim solidos et quatuor denarios argenti, nomine subsidii, ita quod exempti et non exempti, gauillarii, catallarii et liberi tenentes quorumcunque infra predictum comitatum, tam in crocea quam in libertate, commorantes in solucionem predicti subsidii cum communibus predictis concurrant et contribuant, et quod dicti collectores dicti subsidii compotum inde reddant coram certo auditore per ipsum dominum comitem specialiter assignato, et non coram baronibus de scaccario Hibernie aliquo modo debeant computare.

Nomina assessorum et collectorum sunt hec, videlicet: assessores pro communibus eiusdem comitatus, superior de Clomelle, Iohannes Walshe de Rathronane, Walterus filius Theobaldi de Burgo, Walterus Tobyne, Willelmus Dreytoun, Iohannes filius Henrici Loffane, Robertus Poer de Rathgole, Thomas saint Iohan, Iohannes Brittoun, Walterus filius Ricardi Cantewelle, Thomas Fanynge, Nicholaus Barry; collectores pro communibus comitatus predicti, prepositus de Clomelle, prepositus de Lysroraghe, Iohannes filius Andree Poer, Iacobus Corre de Ardfynans, prepositus de Carrige, Iohannes Rokelle, prepositus de Fytherde, prepositus de Casshelle, abbas de sancta Cruce, Robertus filius Dauid Wodloke, Willelmus Ven, Willelmus Fyn, Dowy Fyn ODolyng, Edmundus filius Gilberti Bremgham,¹ Robertus Goer, Nicholaus Cantewelle, Iohannes Myaghe, prepositus de Thurlys et Dauid Archer.

¹ Sic.

[52] Hec indentura testatur quod decanus Cassellensis cum capitulo et clero comparentes in quodam magno consilio domini nostri regis tento apud Dubliniam, die veneris proxima ante festum sancti Kalixti Pape, coram nobili domino Iacobo le Botiler, comite Ermonie, locum tenente domini nostri regis in Hibernia, anno regni regis Henrici quinti nono, concesserunt ipso domino comiti, pro laboribus et expensis suis factis pro defensione fidelium ligeorum dicti domini nostri regis in Hibernia xix. solidos, iiiij. denarios, obolum argenti, nomine subsidii, ita quod gauillarii, catallarii et liberi tenentes dicti cleri concurrant et contribuant in solucione dicti subsidii cum dicto capitulo et clero, et quod collectores dicti subsidii compotum inde reddant coram certo auditore per ipsum dominum comitem specialiter assignato, et non coram baronibus de scaccario domini regis minime debeant computare.

Assessores dicti subsidii : Frater Iacobus Coityse, prior domus hospitalis sancti Iohannis Baptiste extra Nouam Portam Dublinie, et dominus Walterus Flemmynge, vicarius de Federard ; collectores dicti subsidii, dominus Dionisius O'Lynaghane, vicarius de Mouloghynnone, dominus Thomas OCarrule, vicarius de Kilmannionane.

[53] Hec indentura testatur [quod] communes libertatis Midie per Thomam Bacoun, militem, pro eisdem communibus electum, comparentes in quodam magno consilio domini regis apud Dubliniam coram nobili domino Iacobo le Botiler, comite de Ormonde, locum tenente ipsius domini regis Hibernie, die veneris proxima ante festum sancti Kalixti Pape et Martiris, anno regni regis Henrici quinti nono, summonito et tento, concesserunt ipso domino comiti, pro laboribus et expensis suis factis in defensionem ligeorum domini regis, octoginta et tres marcas, nomine subsidii, leuandas et colligendas de communibus predictis de qualibet carucata terre iuxta extentam Roberti Lutteburghe secundum assessionem Cristofori de Prestoun militis, Cristofori Plunket et aliorum assessorum, tam de terris in manu domini regis existentibus quam de aliis terris eiusdem libertatis, et quod catallarii dicte libertatis soluant xij. denarios de qualibet libra bonorum suorum in supportacione solucionis dicte summe cum communibus vbi catallarii illi inhabitant, et quod burge¹ dicte libertatis soluant in sup-

¹ Sic.

portacione solucionis ipsius summe tantum quantum assessores eiusdem summe super eos racionabiliter assesserint, et quod generales receptores et collectores dictae summe ad certum auditorem per prefatum dominum comitem assignatum compotum inde reddant, et non ad scaccarium domini regis, et quod summa predicta soluatur receptoribus per ipsos communes assignatis.

Nomina collectorum in comitatu Midie : Dauid fitz Davy et Robertus Prestoun, in baronia de Dyueleke ; Ricardus Notyngham et Michael Philpot, in Scryn ; Petrus Wysman iunior de Lucianestoun, Henricus West, in baronia de Rathtouthe ; Walterus Hancock et Radulphus White, in Dunboigne ; Ricardus Wodrowe et Galfridus Penteney, in Dees ; Willelmus Dilloun et Dauid Briane, in Moyfyurathe ; Thomas Fourche et Iohannes Reynolde, in Nouan ; Thomas Palmer de Kenlys et Willelmus Leche, in Kenlys ; Iohannes Naas et Iohannes Watyr de Kilbery, in Margallyn¹ ; Henricus Calsteyne et Ricardus Fot, in Slane ; Iohannes Edwarde et Iohannes Graunt de Frayn, in Luyn ; Iohannes Comyn iunior et Iohannes McKeane, in baroniis de Deluyn, Foure, Ferbille et Moyeshelle ; Robertus de la Mare, Willelmus Vrielle et Ricardus filius Iacobi Petyt, in baroniis de Corkry, Moygoshe et Maghreternan.

Nomina assessorum : Ricardus Lynham, Iohannes Kerdyffe, Iohannes Dilloun, Willelmus Saresfelde, Walterus Deycestre, Willelmus Stakebolle.

[54] Hec indentura testatur quod clerus Midensis per Philippum Blake, vicarium de Stamolyn, et Iohannem Novane, vicarium de Rathtouthe, procuratores suos, pro ipso clero electos, et communes croceee Midie per Ricardum Lynham, militem, electum per eosdem communes ad comparendum, tractandum et concordandum pro ipsis in consilio domini regis apud Dubliniam die veneris proxima ante festum sancti Kalixti Pape et Martiris, anno regni regis Henrici quinti nono, coram nobili domino Iacobo le Botiler, comite de Ormonde, locum tenente domini regis Hibernie, summonito et tento, concesserunt prefato domino comiti, pro laboribus, misis et expensis suis factis in defensionem fidelium ligeorum domini regis in eadem terra, xl. marcas, ita quod exempti et non exempti, Hospitel-

¹ MS. 'Marg.'

arii,¹ libere tenentes, gauillarii et catallarii cleri et crocees
 predicte in solucione summe predicte cum clero et communibus
 predictis contribuant et concurrant, et quod collectores eiusdem
 summe ad certum auditorem per predictum dominum comitem
 assignandum, et non ad scaccarium domini regis, compotum
 inde reddant, protestando quod ista concessio nec tres vltimes
 concessiones in parliamentis et magnis consiliis domini regis
 Hibernie non fiant nec capiantur pro recordo, set sicut anti-
 quitus fieri consuevit, videlicet quod cleris et communes
 crocees et communes comitatus siue libertatis Midie, ac capi-
 tulum, cleris, communes crocees et communes comitatus et
 ciuitatis Dubline in subsidiis et tallagiis, alicui concessis per
 totam terram Hibernie in parliamentis et magnis consiliis
 domini regis in eadem terra, medietatem huiusmodi subsi-
 diorum super se capere et soluere consueuerunt, de qua quidem
 medietate predicti cleris, communes crocees et communes
 comitatus siue libertatis Midie duas partes super se capere et
 soluere consueuerunt, tertiam vero partem illius medietatis
 predictum capitulum, cleris, communes crocees, communes
 comitatus et ciuitatis Dublinie super se capere et soluere
 consueuerunt.

Et petunt predicti cleris et communes crocees Midie quod
 ista protestacio in cancellaria domini regis fiat de recordo.

- [55] Hec indentura testatur quod cleris Dublinensis diocesis in
 quodam consilio domini regis apud Dubliniam, die veneris
 proxima ante festum sancti Kalixti Pape, anno regni regis
 Henrici quinti nono, de eorum vñanimi assensu grataanter
 concesserunt nobili domino Iacobo le Botiler, comiti Ormonie,
 locum tenenti domini regis in Hibernia, xj. marcas, xj. solidos,
 viij. denarios, ad resistendum hibernicis inimicis et pro bona
 reformacione pacis domini regis in Hibernia, ad leuandum de
 eodem clero, ita quod liberi tenentes, firmarii, gauillarii et
 catallarii supradicti cleri concurrant et contribuant cum
 supradicto clero in solucione summe predicte, et eciam quod
 collectores comitatum Dublinie et Kildarie supra sepedictum
 clerum et eorum liberos tenentes, firmarios, gauillarios et
 catallarios nullo modo se intromittant, protestando quod ista
 concessio nec vltimes tres concessiones in parliamentis et magnis

¹ Sic.

consiliis domini regis Hibernie non fiant nec capiantur pro recordo, set sicut antiquitus fieri consuevit; videlicet quod cleris et communes crocees et communes comitatus siue libertatis Midie ac capitulum, cleris, communes crocees et communes comitatus et ciuitatis Dublinie in subsidiis et tallagiis, alicui concessis per totam terram Hibernie in parliamentis et magnis consiliis domini regis in eadem terra, medietatem huiusmodi subsidiorum super se capere et soluere consueverunt, de qua quidem medietate predicti cleris, communes crocees et communes comitatus siue libertatis Midie duas partes super se capere et soluere consueverunt, terciam vero partem illius medietatis predictum capitulum, cleris, communes crocees, communes comitatus et ciuitatis Dublinie super se capere et soluere consueverunt.

Et petunt predicti cleris et communes crocees Dublinensis diocesis quod ista protestacio in cancellaria domini regis fiat de recordo, et quod compotus inde coram certo auditore per ipsum dominum locum tenentem ad hoc assignando, et non ad scaccarium domini regis in Hibernia, reddatur.

Assessores: prior Omnim Sanctorum iuxta Dubliniam, prior sancti Thome Martiris iuxta Dubliniam, Thomas Core, vicarius de Gariestoun.

Collectores: vicarius de Balmadone, pro decanatu de Swerdes; vicarius de Cowloke, pro decanatu de Tany; vicarius de Kildrogh, pro decanatu de Saltu; vicarius de Rathmore, pro decanatu de Balymore; vicarius de Bree, pro decanatu de Bree; vicarius de Norraghe, pro decanatu de Omurthy.

[56] Ceste endenture testmoigne qe lez communes del counté de Drogheda par Richard White et Richard Bagot, chivalers, par mesmes lez communes eslieuz, apparaantz en un graunde conseil nostre seignur le roi a Dyvelyn devaunt le tresnoble seignur James le Botiler, count de Ormonde, lieutenaunt nostre seignur le roi d'Irlande, a Dyvelyn, le vendirdy proschein devaunt le fest de saint Kalixt le Pape et Martire, l'an du regne nostre seignur le roi Henry quint ix^{me}, summoné et tenuz, ount grauntés al dit count pur sez commendables labours et expenses et mises par luy faitz en defense dez foiales liges nostre seignur le roy du dite terre, quatre marcq et treis soldes, en noun de

regarde, issint qe lez¹ collectours du dite somme ent soient accomptables a un certain auditour par le dit count assigné deins mesme le counté, et noun pas a l'eschequer d'Irlande, et qe la dite somme soit paié as vitteillours du dit count deinz mesme le counté, as quex il est endetté pur lez vittailles de soun hostiel.

Assessours : Johan Brent, Richard Grenan.

Collectours : Johan Ryggeley, Thomas Palmer.

Receptores : Ricardus Bagot, Iohannes Heyne.

[57] Hec indentura testatur quod clerus, decanus et capitulum ac communes croceee ecclesie Leghlinensis necnon communes comitatus Cathirlaghie, comparentes in quodam magno consilio domini regis apud Dubliniam coram nobili domino Iacobo le Botiler, comite de Ormonde, locum tenente ipsius domini regis, tento apud Dubliniam die veneris proxima ante festum sancti Kalixti Pape et Martiris, anno regni regis Henrici quinti nono, concesserunt ipso domino comiti pro laboribus et expensis suis factis pro defensione fidelium ligeorum domini regis Hibernie, quatuor marcas, xvij. denarios, ita quod exempti et non exempti, gauillarii, catallarii et liberi tenentes quorumcumque infra comitatuum predictum commorantes in solucione summe predicte cum dictis clero, capitulo et communibus concurrent et contribuant, et quod collectores dicti subsidii ad compotum inde reddendum coram certo auditore per ipsum dominum comitem specialiter assignato, et non coram baronibus de scaccario Hibernie, compellantur.

Pro clero, capitulo et communibus croceee, assessores : dominus Iohannes Scaffyn et dominus Iohannes Thundre ; collectores : Donaldus OLenegane, archidiaconus Leghlinensis, et dominus Thomas OMolmoy, vicarius de Dunleke.

Et pro communibus comitatus predicti, assessores : Thomas Galrathe et Iohannes Clahulle ; collectores : Iohannes Spynelle et Patricius OCorrynge.

[58] Hec indentura testatur quod decanus et capitulum ecclesie cathedralis Ossoriensis et clerus diocesis Ossoriensis per suos procuratores in quodam consilio domini regis apud Dubliniam die veneris proxima ante festum sancti Kalixti Pape et Martiris

¹ MS. 'le'.

coram nobilissimo domino, domino Iacobo le Botiler, comite Ermonie, locum tenente domini nostri regis Hibernie, anno eiusdem domini regis nono tento et ordinato,¹ eidem domino comiti concesserunt, pro defensione fidelium ligeorum terre domini nostri regis Hibernie, duas marcas, xij. denarios, ita tamen quod exempti et non exempti, gauillarii et liberi tenentes glebe dicte diocesis cum eisdem decano, capitulo et clero in solucione summe supradicte concurrant, et quod collectores dicti subsidii compotum inde non reddant coram baronibus de scaccario domini regis in Hibernia, set coram certo auditore in dicta diocesi ad hoc specialiter deputando.

Nomina assessorum dicti subsidii sunt hec : dominus Walterus Clynge, rector de sancto Martino, et dominus Thomas fitz Richard, vicarius de Tylghanbroge.

Collectores pro decano et capitulo ac clero supradictis : dominus Mauricius Offolan, vicarius de Kildreynaghe, dominus Willelmus Lorkan, vicarius de Blaunchevilestone, dominus Walterus Fyw, rector de Kiltakane, et dominus Thomas Peryne, vicarius de Barnchurche.

[59] Hec indentura testatur quod communes comitatus et ville Kilkennie per Robertum Folyng et Walterum fitz William, milites, pro eodem comitatu, Iohannem Stone, Robertum filium Roberti Folyng, burgenses, pro eadem villa, comparentes in quodam magno consilio domini regis apud Dubliniam coram nobili domino Iacobo le Botiller, comite de Ormonde, locum tenente ipsius domini regis Hibernie, apud Dubliniam die veneris proxima ante festum sancti Kalixti Pape et Martiris, anno regni regis Henrici quinti nono, summonito et tento, concesserunt ipso domino comiti, pro laboribus et expensis suis factis in defensione ligeorum domini regis, xviiiij. marcas, v. solidos, xij. denarios, ita quod terra Hospitalis sancti Iohannis Ierusalem in Hibernia ac exempti et non exempti, gauillarii et catallarii comitatus predicti cum communibus predictis in solucione predicte summe contribuant et concurrant, et quod collectores dicte summe ad certum auditorem per prefatum dominum comitem assignatum, et non ad scaccarium domini regis, compotum inde reddant.

Collectores comitatus et ville Kilkennie : Philippus Dobyn

¹ MS. inserts 'ac.'

de Insnake, Philippus Brenane seruiens, Gilboy Deyerissoun, Iohannes Carroke, Iohannes Howelle de Derneynche, Nicholaus Howlyn, Robertus Arsedeken de Killerne, Willelmus Blundelle seruiens, Ricardus Casse, Philippus More, prepositus de Ballygauerane, prepositus de Thomastoun, Eustasius Howlyn, Robertus Dobyn, Robertus Hore, Iohannes Godyn, Norreis de Kellys, Iac Flemmynge, Iohannes Tobyn, Petrus Cauntwelle, Iohannes Meynte, Willelmus Flemmynge, Kilbane O'Brodire, Walterus O'Brenan, Thomas Bullirbache, prepositus de Ieriponte, Ianyng Datoun, Dauid Graunt MacDermyt, Nicholaus fitz Iohan, Galfridus Graunt, Shane OMallone, Iohannes Kely, prepositus de Callane, prepositus de Kilkenny, Robertus Oghe Frenyn, prepositus de Olecolaghe, prepositus de Rosbargoun, Oliuerus Roche, Robertus Beghe McShane, Thomas Hanroke, Willelmus Gilleyne, prepositus de Instioke.

Assessores comitatus Kilkennie et ville : Robertus Shorthals, baro Grace, Willelmus Comerford, Patricius saint Leger, Thomas McShane, Iacobus Graunt, Remundus Datoun, Nicholaus Dobyn McCade, Ricardus Geffronessoun Walshe, Gilbertus Blaunchevile, superior ville Kilkennie, Ianyng Swetmane, prepositus de Callane, prepositus de Thomastoun, prepositus de Ieriponte, prepositus de Olecolaghe, prepositus de Instioke, Iohannes Codyn, prepositus de Ballygaueran, prepositus de Rossebargoun.

- m.2 [60] Hec indentura testatur quod communes comitatus Louethe per Ricardum Dromgolde et Thomam Penbroke, milites, per ipsos communes electos ad comparendum et concordandum pro eis in quodam magno consilio domini regis apud Dubliniam die veneris proxima ante festum sancti Kalixti Pape et Martiris, anno regni regis Henrici quinti nono, coram nobili domino Iacobo le Botiller, comite de Ormonde, locum tenente domini regis Hibernie, summonito et tento, concesserunt prefato comiti, pro laboribus, misis et expensis suis factis in defensione fidelium ligorum domini regis in eadem terra, viginti et quinque marcas, duodecim solidos et quinque denarios argenti, ita quod exempti et non exempti, terre Hospitaliorum ac terre in manu domini regis, gauillarii et catallarii in comitatu predicto in soluzione summe predicte cum communibus predictis concurrant et contribuant, et quod collectores eiusdem summe ad certum

auditorem per predictum dominum comitem assignandum, et non ad scaccarium domini regis, compotum inde reddant.

Assessores : Ricardus Bagot, Nicholaus Taafe, Ricardus Dromgolde, Thomas Penroke.

Collectores baronie de Athirde : Iohannes Houthe de Houthestoun et Iacobus Ossemonde seruiens,

Collectores baronie de Ferrarde : Willelmus Gutter et Iohannes Altoun seruiens.

Collectores baronie de Louthe : Rogerus Abrey et Iohannes Altoun seruiens.

Collectores baronie de Dundalke : Thomas Scryne et Iohannes Harolde seruiens.

Receptores : Ricardus Bagot et Iohannes Heyne.

[61] Hec indentura testatur quod clerus Ardmacanus inter Anglicos per Patricium O'Coynge, vicarium de Kilmadymoke, procuratorem suum, comparens¹ pro eodem clero in magno consilio domini regis apud Dubliniam coram nobili domino Iacobo le Botiller, comite de Ormonde, locum tenente ipsius domini regis Hibernie, die veneris proxima ante festum sancti Kalixti Pape et Martiris, anno regni regis Henrici quinti nono, summonito et tento, concesserunt² ipso domino comiti, pro laboribus et expensis suis factis in defensionem fidelium ligeorum domini regis, viij. marcas, viij. solidos, ix. denarios, ita quod exempti et non exempti, et liberi tenentes dicti cleri, gauillarii et catalarii, cum eodem clero in solucione summe predice concurrant et contribuant, et quod collectores eiusdem summe ad certum auditorem per predictum dominum comitem assignandum, et non ad scaccarium domini regis, compotum inde reddant.

[62] Hec indentura testatur quod maior et communitas ciuitatis Lymerici per Thomam Comyn et Willelmum Harolde, ciues, electos pro eisdem maiore et communitate ad comparendum, tractandum et concordandum pro ipsis maiore et communitate in consilio domini regis apud Dubliniam die veneris proxima ante festum sancti Kalixti Pape et Martiris, anno regni regis Henrici quinti nono, coram nobili domino Iacobo le Botiller, comite de Ormonde, locum tenente domini regis Hibernie, summonito et tento,² concesserunt predicto domino comiti, pro

¹ Sic.

² MS. inserts 'et.'

laboribus, misis et expensis suis factis in defensionem fidelium
ligeorum domini regis, xljj. solidos, ita quod collectores
eiusdem summe ad certum auditorem per ipsum dominum
comitem assignandum, et non ad scaccarium domini regis,
compotum inde reddant.

Collectores in hac parte: Galfridus Harolle et Iohannes
Moriaghe.

- [63] Hec indentura testatur quod communes comitatus Dublinie, per
Iohannem Walshe de Surgotestoun et Iohannem Wodloke,
milites, electos per eosdem communes ad comparendum, trac-
tandum et concordandum pro eisdem communibus in vno
consilio domini regis apud Dubliniam die veneris proxima
ante festum sancti Kalixti Pape et Martiris, anno regni regis
Henrici quinti nono, coram nobili domino Iacobo le Botiller,
comite de Ormonde, locum tenente domini regis Hibernie,
summonito et tento, concesserunt prefato domino comiti, pro
laboribus, misis et expensis suis factis in defensionem fidelium
ligeorum domini regis in eadem terra, quadraginta marcas et
decem solidos argenti, ita quod terre et tenementa prioris
Hospitalis sancti Iohannis Ierusalem et terre domini regis,
gauillarii et catallarii in comitatu predicto concurrant et con-
tribuant in solucione summe predicte cum predictis communibus,
et quod collectores eiusdem summe ad certum auditorem per
predictum dominum comitem assignandum, et non ad scac-
carium domini regis, compotum inde reddant, protestando
quod ista concessio nec tres vltime concessiones in parliamentis
et magnis consiliis domini regis Hibernie non fiant nec cap-
iantur pro exemplo, set sicut antiquitus fieri consueuerit,¹
videlicet quod clerus et communes croce et communes comi-
tatus siue libertatis Midie ac capitulum, clerus, communes croce
et communes comitatus et ciuitatis Dublinie in subsidiis et
tallagiis alicui concessis per totam terram Hibernie in
parliamentis et magnis consiliis domini regis in eadem terra,
mediatatem huiusmodi subsidiorum super se capere et soluere
consueuerunt, de qua quidem medietate predicti clerus, com-
munes croce et communes comitatus siue libertatis Midie
duas partes super se capere et soluere consueuerunt, terciam

¹ MS. 'consueuerunt.'

vero partem illius medietatis predictum capitulum, clerus, communes crocees, communes comitatus et ciuitatis Dublinie super se capere et soluere consueuerunt.

Et petunt predicti communes quod predicta protestacio fiat de recordo in cancellaria domini regis¹ Hibernie.

Nomina assessorum summe predicte: Ricardus Bermyngham, Iohannes Oweyne, Iohannes Wodloke et Iohannes Walshe de Surgotestoun.

Collectores: Robertus Lutterelle, Iohannes Lutterelle, Ricardus Talloun.

Receptores: Willelmus Crompe et Walterus de la Felde.

[64] Hec indentura testatur quod maior et communes ciuitatis Dublinie per Willelmum Heyforde et Iohannem Barret, ciues, electos ad comparendum pro maiore et communibus in uno consilio domini regis apud Dubliniam die veneris proxima ante festum sancti Kalixti Pape, anno regni regis Henrici quinti nono, coram nobili domino Iacobo le Botiler, comite de Ormonde, locum tenente domini regis in terra sua Hibernie, summonito et tento, grataanter concesserunt prefato domino comiti, pro laboribus, misis et expensis suis factis in defensionem fidelium ligorum domini regis in terra predicta, sex marcas et x. solidos argenti, ita² quod collectores summe ad certum auditorem dicti domini comitis assignandum, et non ad scaccarium domini regis, compotum reddant.

Et inde fiant littere patentes domini regis maior et communibus facte in forma consueta.

[65] Hec indentura testatur quod decanus, capitulum et clerus Lymericensis comparentes par Adam Taillour, rectorem de Ballygaddy, et Willelmum Archedeken, rectorem de Cromothe, procuratores suos, electos ad tractandum pro ipsis in uno magno consilio domini regis apud Dubliniam coram nobili domino Iacobo le Botiller, comite de Ormonde, locum tenente domini regis Hibernie, summonito et tento, pro laboribus et expensis suis factis in eadem terra in defensionem fidelium ligorum predicti regis, concesserunt predicto comiti decem et octo solidos, denarium et obolum, ita² quod collectores predicte

¹ MS. repeats 'regis.'

² MS. 'et.'

summe ad aliquem certum auditorem per ipsum dominum comitem assignandum, et non ad scaccarium domini regis, compotum inde reddant.

Assessores : vicarius de Cromothe et vicarius de Dromon.

Collectores : vicarius de Bronry et vicarius de Ardpatrik.

- [66] Hec indentura testatur quod prior et conuentus ecclesie cathedralis sancte Trinitatis Dublinensis, decanus et capitulum ecclesie cathedralis sancti Patricii Dublinensis, in consilio domini regis apud Dubliniam die veneris proxima ante festum sancti Kalixti Pape, anno regni regis Henrici quinti nono, tento, de eorum communi assensu grataanter concesserunt nobili domino Iacobo le Botiller, comiti Ormonie, locum tenenti domini regis in Hibernia, vndeclim marcas, vndeclim solidos et octo denarios argenti ad resistendum hibernicis inimicis et pro bona reformacione pacis domini regis in Hibernia, leuandos de eisdem priore et conuentu, decano et capitulo, ita quod liberi tenentes, firmarii, gauillarii et catallarii dictorum prioris et conuentus, decani et capituli, concurrant et contribuant cum dictis priore et conuentu, decano et capitulo, et eciam quod collectores predicti argenti non teneantur soluere nec computare nisi dicto locum tenenti vel certo deputato, et non ad scaccarium domini regis, et eciam quod ista concessio nec vltime tres concessiones in parliamentis et magnis consiliis domini regis Hibernie non fiant nec capiantur pro recordo, set sicut antiquitus fieri consuevit, videlicet quod clerus et communes croceae et communes comitatus siue libertatis Midie ac capitulum, clerus et communes croceae et communes comitatus et ciuitatis Dublinie in subsidiis et tallagiis alicui concessis¹ per totam terram Hibernie in parliamentis et magnis consiliis domini regis in terra predicta, medietatem huiusmodi subsidiorum super se capere et soluere consueuerunt, de qua quidem medietate predicti clerus, communes croceae et communes comitatus siue libertatis Midie duas partes super se capere et soluere consueuerunt, terciam vero partem illius medietatis predicta capitula², clerus, communes croceae et communes ciuitatis Dublinie super se capere et soluere consueuerunt.

¹ MS. 'concessit.'

² Sic.

Et petunt predicti prior et conuentus, decanus et capitulum, clerus, communes croceae et communes ciuitatis Dublinensis diocesis quod ista protestacio in cancellaria domini regis fiat de recordo, et quod compotus inde coram certo auditore, per ipsum dominum locum tenentem ad hoc assignando, et non ad scaccarium domini regis in Hibernia, reddatur.

Collectores : Nicholaus Walleys, vicarius sancti Keuini, Walterus Hille, vicarius de Luske.

Assessores : Iohannes Balynge, precentor, et Ricardus Durant, thesaurarius ecclesie sancti Patricii.

Crocea Dublinie : baronia de Swerdes : Walterus Francum, Iohannes Puddyng, Iohannes Baily de Luske, collectores et assessores ibidem ; baronia de Fynglas : Thomas Chanberleyn de Ferdromyn, Hugo More, Iohannes Haws, collectores et assessores ibidem ; baronia de Ballymore : Iacobus Lowpyn, prepositus de Ballymore, Nicholaus Austeyn, prepositus de Dunlovane, collectores et assessores ibidem ; baronia de Clondolkán : Iohannes Wilput, Edwardus Shillynford, Iohannes Dermot, Robertus Hendy, collectores et assessores ibidem ; dominium de sancto Sepulcro : Iohannes Max, Iohannes Rabo, Iohannes OMaille ; baronia de Senkille : Thomas Reban, Thomas Carraghe Laweles, Willelmus Rede, collectores et assessores ibidem.

Porcio croceae Dublinie : xv. li., xvij. s., viij. d.

Endorsed :

Tercium subsidium concessum comiti Ermonie etc., cccc. marcarum.

K.1. m.1. TENORES CUIUSDAM WARANTI DE CONCESSIONE X. SOLIDORUM
ETC. AC ALIARUM PETICIONUM ETC. INFERIUS CON-
TENTARUM ETC.

[67] Iacobus le Botiller, comes Ermonie, locum tenens domini regis in Hibernia, dilecto sibi Hugoni Bauent, clero, deputato Laurencii Merbury, militis, cancellarii domini regis in Hibernia, salutem. Cum communes libertatis Midie coram nobis apud Rathegirdille die iouis, decimo die Iulii ultimo preterito, pre-textu breuis domini nostri regis comparentes, de eorum unanimi assensu concesserunt nobis, in auxilium et manutenenciam guerrarum dicti domini regis, decem solidos de qualibet carucata terre infra libertatem predictam, leuandos de communibus predictis et nobis ex causis predictis soluendos, et elegerint¹ collectores summe predicte, quorum nomina patent in quadam cedula presentibus interclusa, volumus et vobis mandamus quod litteras patentes domini nostri regis sub sigillo regio² in custodia vestra² existente prefatis collectoribus ad summam predictam de eisdem communibus leuandam et colligendam in forma debita faciatis indilate, cum clausulis in eisdem litteris necessariis de attendendo³ et distringendo omnes et singulos qui dictis collectoribus in solucione, leuacione et colleccione summe predicte contrarii fuerint seu rebelles.

10 July
1421

Data sub priuato sigillo nostro apud Drogheda, vndeclimo¹¹ July
die Iulii, anno regni regis Henrici quinti nono.¹⁴²¹

Deueleke. Collectores ibidem : Ricardus Cadelle et Willelmus Plunkete.

Rathtouthe. Collectores ibidem : Robertus Meones, Will-
elmus fitz Leones, Robertus Burtooun.

Dumboigne. Collectores ibidem¹ : Thomas Petite de Pierstoun,
Philippus Pheypo, Robertus Felde.

Scryne. Collectores ibidem : Iohannes Dilloun, Willelmus Asshe, Ricardus Notyngham, Thomas Prestoun, Iohannes Bernwale, Barnabas Cusake et Iohannes Penteney de Tawraghe.

Dees. Nomina collectorum ibidem : Walterus de la Hyde,
miles, Iohannes fitz Richer et Willelmus Arrote.

¹ Sic.

² 'sub sigillo regio' interlined and marked to follow 'vestra'

³ MS. 'attendent.'

Moyffenrath.¹ Collectores ibidem : Thomas Bacoun, Walterus Leyns et Philippus Rede.

Luyn. Collectores ibidem : Walterus Balfe, Thomas Talbote et Henricus Duffe.

Nouane. Collectores ibidem : Ricardus Petite, Willelmus Sarisfeld et Thomas Allyne de Skerowane.

Slane. Collectores ibidem : Cristoforus Flemmyng, Walterus Dexeestre, Cristoforus Flemmyng de Killary.

Margalion.² Collectores ibidem : Willelmus Talloun, Iohannes Stocke de Stephynestoun, Georgius Drake.

Kenlys. Collectores ibidem : Iohannes Dertitz, Willelmus Betaghe et Ricardus Ins.

Deluyne. Collectores ibidem : Thomas Goldynge, Philippus Mole et Iohannes de Bellaghe.

Foure. Collectores ibidem : Iacobus Fay, Iohannes Cristore et Willelmus Fynlaghe.

Forbille. Collectores ibidem : Thomas Cosynge, Ricardus Hardestoun et Willelmus Dongane.

Moyesshylle. Collectores ibidem : Andreas Tuyt, Iohannes Berry.

Maghriternan, Moygoishe, Loghsewdy, Korker. Collectores istarum predictarum quatuor baroniarum :³ Herbertus de la Mare, Ricardus Petite, Iohannes Moppe, Iohannes Mauerlyn, Matheus Tirrelle.

- [68] Rex dilectis sibi Ricardo Cadelle et Willelmo Plunkete in baronia de Deueleke etc. vt supra, salutem. Sciatis quod, cum communes libertatis Midie coram carissimo consanguineo nostro Iacobo le Botiler, comite de Ormonde, locum nostrum tenente in terra nostra Hibernie, apud Rathegirdille die iouis, decimo die Iulii vltimo preterito, pretextu breuis nostri comparentes, de eorum unanimi assensu concederint prefato locum nostrum tenenti, in auxilium et manutenenciam guerrarum nostrarum, decem solidos de qualibet carucata terre infra libertatem predictam leuandos de communibus predictis et prefato locum nostrum tenenti ex causis predictis soluendos, et elegerint vos collectores summe predicte in baroniis predictis, et ideo vobis et cuilibet vestrum mandamus quod summam

¹ MS. 'Moyff.'

² MS. 'Marg.'

³ MS. 'boron'.

predictam de communibus predictis iuxta concessionem predictam leuetis et colligatis, et denarios inde prouenientes prefato locum nostrum tenenti aut eius in hac parte receptori per indenturam inde debite conficiendam, dantes vobis et cuilibet vestrum plenam potestatem distringendi omnes et singulos qui vobis in solucione, leuacione et colleccione summe predicte contrarii fuerint seu rebelles, et districciones capiendi etc., necnon ipsos amerciandi etc. Damus autem etc. In cuius etc. Teste prefato locum tenente apud Drogheda, xj.
die Iulii, anno regni nostri nono.

11 July
1421

Per litteram ipsius locum tenentis de priuato sigillo.¹

[69] Iacobus le Botiler, comes de Ormonde, locum tenens domini nostri regis terre sue Hibernie, reuerende discretionis viro Fratri Willelmo fitz Thomas, priori Hospitalis sancti Iohannis Ierusalem in Hibernia, cancellario eiusdem domini regis terre sue predicte, salutem. Cum idem dominus noster rex, considerans grata et laudabilia seruicia, que Iacobus Cornewalshe, capitalis baro scaccarii domini regis eiusdem terre, eidem domino regi, tam in terra predicta quam in transeundo versus eundem dominum regem in Angliam ad declarandum sibi statum et gubernacionem terre predicte, impendit, pro decem libris argenti, quas idem Iacobus soluet eidem domino regi ad receptam scaccarii predicti, per sufficientem securitatem inde in cancellaria eiusdem domini regis Hibernie inueniendam, de assensu et ausamento tocius consilii eiusdem domini regis in Hibernia, idem dominus rex concederit et pro dicta summa prefato Iacobo vendiderit custodiam duarum parcium omnium terrarum, tenementorum, reddituum, seruiciorum et proficuorum quorumque, que fuerunt Iacobi fitz William, defuncti, in Mirryonge et Thornecastelle, cum pertinenciis, et alibi in comitatu Dublinie, in manu domini regis per mortem ipsius Iacobi fitz William, qui de eodem domino rege tenuit in capite, et ratione minoris etatis Philippi, filii et heredis eiusdem Iacobi fitz William, infra etatem et in custodia domini regis existentis, existencium, habendum et tenendum predictas duas partes omnium terrarum, tenementorum, reddituum, seruiciorum et proficuorum predictorum cum pertinenciis, vna cum reuer-

¹ This commission is not in the *Cal. Patent and Close Rolls*: it may have been entered on the Patent Roll and become illegible.

sionibus quibuscumque, tam tenencium in dotem quam aliter, eisdem terris, tenementis, redditibus, seruiciis et proficuis predictis pertinentibus, cum acciderint, prefato Iacobo Cornewalshe, heredibus et assignatis suis, vsque ad plenam etatem heredis predicti, vna cum custodia ac maritagio eiusdem heredis, absque disparagacione; et, si de ipso humanitus contingat antequam ad plenam etatem suam peruerterit, herede suo infra etatem existente, tunc dictus Iacobus Cornewalshe habeat custodiam dictarum duarum parcium omnium terrarum, tenementorum, reddituum, seruiciorum et proficuorum predictorum cum pertinenciis sibi, heredibus et assignatis suis predictis, simul cum reuersionibus predictis, cum acciderint, vsque ad plenam etatem heredis predicti Philippi, sic infra etatem existentis, vna cum custodia et maritagio heredis eiusdem Philippi, sic infra etatem existentis, absque disparagacione, et sic de herede in heredem quoisque aliquis dictorum heredum ad plenam etatem suam peruerterit, et liberacionem terrarum et tenementorum predictorum extra manus domini regis vel heredum suorum habuerit, et quoisque idem Iacobus, heredes vel assignati sui predicti, effectum maritagii heredum predictorum seu eorum alicuius plenarie fuerit assecutus vel fuerint assecuti; prouiso semper quod ipse vel ipsi huiusmodi heredibus competentem sustentacionem, prout ad ipsos pertinet in hac parte, inueniat vel inueniant, durante minori etate sua predicta, et quod sustineat et sustentet vel sustineant et sustentent dictas duas partes omnium terrarum, tenementorum, reddituum, seruiciorum et proficuorum predictorum cum pertinenciis, vna cum reuersionibus predictis, cum acciderint, durante tempore predicto, absque vasto seu destructione aliqualiter faciendis, et omnia alia onera eisdem incumbencia supportabit vel supportabunt. Ideo vobis mandamus quod litteras domini nostri regis in ea parte necessarias, cum breuibus indigentibus, sub magno sigillo regio terre predicte in vestra custodia existente, patentes fieri et demandari facias in forma debita et consueta.

11 September
1421

Data sub priuato sigillo nostro apud Drogheda, xj. die Septembris anno regni regis Henrici quinti post conquestum Anglie nono.¹

¹ For the resulting grant, see *Cal. Patent and Close Rolls*, p. 220, no. 88.

m.2 [70] A treshonouré et tresgraciouse seignur James le Botiler, count de Ormonde, lieutenant nostre seignur le roy en Irlaunde, supplie humblement James Cornewalshe, esquier, qe vous please, de grace nostre seignur le roy especialle, doner et grauntier a luy les deux partiez de toutz les terres et tenementz ové lour appurtenauntz en Rathfernane en le counté de Develynge es mayns nostre seignur le roy pur certains causes esteauntz, ovesque toutz maners des reverciouns d'ycelle, auxi bien des tenauntz en dower qe des autres qeconques, come escheieront, a aver et tenir al dit suppliaunt tanqe come les ditz terres et tenements ové lour appurtenauntz, ovesque les reverciouns avaunditz; es mayns nostre ditz seignur le roy demurgent, rendant ent a nostre dit seignur le roy as deux termes de l'ane, c'est assavoyr de saint Michelle et Pasche, par owelle porciouns l'extent darreynement fait ou prochien affaire.

Plegii pro extenta : Iacobus Nevile de Dublinia et Iohannes Golde.

[71] A nostre chier et bien amée Lauerence Merbury, chivaler, chaunceller d'Irlaunde.¹ Accordé est² par moun seignur le lieutenaunt³ et le counsaille qe le suppliaunt deinz nomé eit les deux parties de toutz les terres et tenementz ové lour appurtenauntz en Rathfernane en le counté de Dyvelyng, solonc l'effect et la purport de ceste peticioun, et qe sur ceo lettres patentz nostre seignur le roy soient a luy faitz en due fourme pur l'extent darreyn fait ou prochien affaire. Doné a Develynge, le primer jour de Maii, l'ane de regne le roy Henry 1 May 1420
quynt viij.

[72] A treshonouré et tresgracious seignur James le Botiler, count de Ormonde, lieutenaunt nostre seignur le roy en la terre d'Irlaunde, supplie humblement Robert Harbryge, esquier, qe vous please, de grace nostre seignur le roy especialle, doner et graunter a luy la garde de lez deux parties de toutz lez terres et tenementez ové lour appurtenauntz queux furent al seignur

¹ The rest of the warrant is written on a schedule sewn to the membrane: it was presumably endorsed on the petition (the address being on the face) and so overlooked by the scribe, who repaired his omission in this fashion.

² MS. 'Accordeste.'

³ MS. 'lieutenauntz.'

de Darcy en Dunmowe en la counté de Mithe deinz la terre d'Irlande es maynes nostre seignur le roy pur certeynes causes esteauntz, ovesque toutz maners reversions d'icelle, auxi bien des tenauntez en dower qe dez autrez qecunque, come escheierent, a aver et tenir al dit suppliant tanqe come lez ditz terrez et tenementz ové lour appurtenauntz, ové lez reversions avaunditz, demurgent es maynes nostre seignur le roy, rendant ent a nostre seignur le roy as deux termes de l'an, c'est assaver de saint Michelle et Pasche, par owelle porcions l'extent en darrein fait ou procheinment affaire.

Iohannes filius Ricardi Chamerleyne et Nicholaus White-churche, manucaptore.

- [73] A nostre chier et bien amé Laurence Merbury, chivaler, chaunceller d'Irlande.¹ Accordé est par moun seignur le lieutenaunt et le consaille qe le suppliant deinz nomé eyt la garde de lez deux parties de toutz les terres et tenementz ové lour appurtenauntz queux furent al seignur de Darcy en Dunmowe solonc la fait purport² de cest peticiooun, et qe sur ceo lettres patentz nostre seignur le roy soyent a luy faitz en due fourme par l'extent fait oue procheinment affaire. Doné al Naas, le iiiij. jour de Maii, l'an de regne le roy Henry quint viij^{me}.

4 May
1420

- [74] A treshonuré et tresgracious seignur James le Botiler, count de Ormonde, lieutenant nostre seignur le roy en sa terre d'Irlande, suppliant humblement James Cornewalshe et Robert Harbrige, esquyers, qe vous please, de grace nostre seignur le roy especialle, doner et graunter as ditz suppliauntz le garde de lez deux parties de tous lez maners, terres et tenementz, rentz, services, profitz et commoditese,³ ové lour appurtenauntz, queux fuerent a Johan Serjaunt, chivaler, et a Johan Loundres, chivaler, en lez countées de Develynge et Mithe en la terre d'Irlande es maynez nostre seignur le roy pur certeynez causes esteauntz, ovesque toutz maners reversions d'icelle auxi bien dez tenauntz en dower qe dez autres qecumqe, come escheierent, a aver et tenir as ditz suppliauntz tanque come lez ditz terres et tenementez, rentez, servicez,

¹ The rest of this warrant is written on a schedule: see note to no. 71.

² Sic: for 'solonc l'effect et la purporte'.

³ Sic.

profitez et commoditez avaunditz, ové luyr appurtenauntes, ové lez reversions avaunditz,¹ demurgent es maynes nostre dite seignur le roy, rendaunt ent a nostre seignur le roy as deux termes de l'an, c'est assaver de saint Michelle et Pasche, par oweille porcions l'extent procheinment affaire.

Plegii pro firma : Walterus fitz Rowe et Nicholaus de la Hyde.

[75] A nostre chier et bien amé Lauerence Merbury, chivaler, chaunceller d'Irlande.² Accordé³ est per moun seignur le lieutenaunt et le consaille qe lez suppliantz deinz només eyent la garde de lez deux parties de tous lez maners, terres, tenementz, rentz, servicez, profitez⁴ et comoditez, ové lour appurtenauntes et reversiouuns, come escheieront, solonc la fourme et l'efecte de ceste peticionne, et qe sur ceo lettres patentz nostre seignur le roy soient a eux⁵ faitz en du fourme par l'extent procheinment affaire. Doné al Naas, le tierce jour de Maii, l'an de regne le roy quynt viij^{me}.

3 May
1420

[76] A tres gracious seignur James le Botiller, count de Ormonde, lieutenant nostre seignur le roy en Irlande, suplie humblement Johan Chever qe vous please, de grace nostre seignur le roy especialle, doner et graunter a luy lez deux parties de toutz lez manoiris, terres, tenementz, rentz et services ové lour appurtenaunce en le counté de Weysforde es mayns nostre seignur le roy pur certeyns causes esteantz, des queux manoiris, terres, tenementz et services ové lour appurtenaunce Gilbert Talbot, jaditz seignur de Weysforde, murust seisie, ovesque toutz maneres dez reversiones d'icelle, auxi bien dez tenauntz en dower qe dez autrez qeconques, come eschierount, a aver et tenir al dit suppliant tanqé come lez ditz manoiris, terres, tenementz, rentz et services ové lour appurtenaunce, ovesque lez reversiouuns avaunditz, es mayns nostre seignur le roy demurgent, rendant ent a nostre seignur le roy as deux termes de l'an, c'est assaver as festes de saint Michelle et Pasche, par oweille porciones l'extent darraynement fait ou proscheyn a faire. Et ceo pur Dieu et en oepre de charité.

¹ MS. 'auntditz'.

² The rest of the warrant is written on a schedule : see note to no. 71.

³ MS. 'Accord'.

⁴ MS. 'profitees'.

⁵ MS. 'aux'.

Plegii : Nicholaus Aunger de Rosse et Nicholaus fitz Henry
de comitatu Weysfordie.

[77] A nostre chier et bien amé Laurence Merbury, chivaler, chaunceller d'Irlande.¹ Accordé² est par moun seignur le lieutenant qe le suppliant deins nomé eit doun et graunt de les deux parties de toutz les manoiris, terres, tenementz, rentz et services ové leur appurtenaantz deins especifiéz, ovesqe toutz maneres reversiouns d'icelles, auxibien des tenaantz en dowere come dez autres qeconqes, come escheierount, a aver solonqe l'effecte et le purport d'iceste peticione, come toutz ceste peticione demande, et sur ceo soient lettres patentz nostre seignur le roy a luy ent faitz en duhe fourme. Donée a Dyvelyn, le xxij. jour de Juyne, l'an du reigne nostre seignur le roy Henry quynt septisime³.

23 June
1420

[78] A treshonuré et tresgracious seignur James le Botiller, count de Ormonde, lieutenaunt nostre seignur le roy en sa terre d'Irlande, supplie humblement James Cornewalshe qe vous please, de grace nostre seignur le roy especialle, doner et graunter a luy la garde de lez deux parties de tous lez terres et tenementz ové leur apportenauncez queux furent al seignur de Darcy en Gariestoun en la terre d'Irlande es maynes nostre seignur le roy esteaantz pur certeynez causez, ovesque touz maneres reversiones d'icelle, auxi bien dez tenauntez en dowere qe dez autres qecumqes, come escheieront, aver et tenir al dit suppliaunt tanque come lez ditz terres et tenementes ové leur apportenauncez, ové lez reversions avaunditz, demurgent es maynes nostre dit seignur le roy, rendant ent a nostre seignur le roy as deux termez de l'an, c'est assaver de seyt Michelle et Pasche, par owelle porcions l'extent darrein fait ou procheinement affaire.

Iacobus Neville de Dublinia et Nicholaus de la Hide, plegii.

[79] A nostre chier et bien amé Lauerence Merbury, chivaler, chaunceller d'Irlande.⁴ Accordé est⁵ par moun seignur le lieutenaunt

¹ The rest of the warrant is written on a schedule : see note to no. 71.

² MS. "Accord".

³ Sic : for 'vijj^{me}'.

⁴ The rest of the warrant is written on a schedule : see note to no. 71.

⁵ MS. 'este'.

et le consaille qe le suppliant deinz nomé eyt la garde de lez deux parties de toutz lez terres et tenementz ové lour appurten-auntz queux fuerent al seignour de Darcy en Gariestoun, solonc la feite¹ et la purporte de cest peticion, et qe sur ceo lettres patentz nostre seignur le roy soyent a luy faitz en due fourme par l'extent darrein fait ou procheinment affaire. Doné al Naas, le tierce jour de Maii, l'an de regne le roy Henry quynt viij^{me}.

3 May
1420

¹ *Sic*: for 'l'effect'.

APPENDIX

A. TAXATION IN 1291-92

In 1290 Edward I was in great need of money. Already deeply in debt, he had advanced 10,000 marks for the ransom of his cousin, Charles of Salerno, who, while imprisoned by the king of Aragon, had succeeded to the throne of Naples.¹ In his necessity, Edward obtained the grant of a lay subsidy of a fifteenth and a clerical subsidy of a tenth from England, and he sought contributions from other parts of his dominions.² He therefore opened negotiations for like grants from the Irish magnates and clergy. So far as the fifteenth is concerned, the story is brief. By October, 1291, Edward had obtained the assent of the archbishop of Dublin, the earls of Pembroke, Gloucester and Norfolk and many other barons and magnates holding lands in Ireland, and felt in a position to appeal to all his subjects there for a general grant.³ Writs dated 26 October were taken to Ireland by the newly appointed chancellor, Thomas Cantok, whose mission it was to carry the negotiations through to a successful issue.⁴ He arrived in Dublin about mid-December⁵ and arranged for an assembly of the barons, magnates and 'fidelis communitas' of Ireland at Dublin on 28 January, when, after some difficulty, he obtained the requisite grant on terms which the king subsequently approved.⁶ This meeting is not termed a parliament in Cantok's letter to Robert Burnell, which alone describes it,⁷ and it is doubtful whether it had this status, since it appears to have been called for the one specific purpose of obtaining a subsidy.

The negotiations for the grant of a clerical tenth were more involved. Early in 1291 Cantok had been sent to Ireland⁸ with the mission of persuading the Irish clergy to assent to the grant. A preliminary

¹ *Foedera*, I. ii. 694, 893; *Cal. Patent Rolls*, 1292-1301, p. 345.

² J. F. Willard, *Parliamentary Taxes on Personal Property*, pp. 26-8.

³ W. Prynne, *Exact Chronological Vindication*; III. 443: calendared in *Cal. Patent Rolls*, 1281-92, pp. 448-9, and Sweetman, *Cal. Documents Ireland*, III. no. 974.

⁴ There can be no doubt of the identity of the writer of the letter dated at Dublin on Monday after the Feast of St. Lucia, printed by Prynne, p. 483.

⁵ This must be inferred from the date (17 December) of his letter: his appointment and protection, which are dated 28 October, accord (*Cal. Patent Rolls*, loc. cit., and Sweetman, nos. 977-979).

⁶ *Cal. Patent Rolls*, 1281-92, p. 486; Sweetman, no. 1090.

⁷ Below, no. III.

⁸ Sweetman, no. 859.

meeting of all the Irish prelates and representatives of the diocesan clergy was held, apparently at Dublin, on 13 May 1291,¹ when Cantok must have presented the letters he brought from the king.² In these letters the archbishops were asked to convene provincial convocations and to undertake to persuade the clergy there to accede to the king's request. The archbishop of Cashel was successful in persuading his suffragans to agree, but the inferior clergy of the province refused. Apparently in the Dublin province the result was very much the same as in the province of Cashel;³ and when the bishop of Kildare, who had agreed to contribute, endeavoured to persuade his own clergy to the same end, he was met with a refusal.⁴ The archbishop of Tuam was not only given a refusal by his suffragans, after they had consulted apart with their clergy, but was told that the clergy had lodged an appeal to the pope, and, when he assembled the clergy of his own diocese, they formally joined in the appeal to Rome: pleading extreme poverty, the archbishop reluctantly joined in the refusal of his suffragans and clergy.⁵ What happened in the province of Armagh is uncertain, but there seems no doubt that the king again met with a refusal. It is evident that the archbishop of Armagh and his suffragans took the leading part in a meeting of Irish prelates at Trim on 23 September 1291, when they bound themselves to mutual support in defence of their rights, jurisdictions, liberties and customs against any lay power or jurisdiction,⁶ and the object of this sworn confederacy may have been, as Bishop Reeves suggested, resistance to Edward's demands.⁷ Be that as it may, the king named specifically only the archbishops of Dublin and Cashel as having granted a tenth of their spiritualities when, at the end of October, he made a fresh appeal to the Irish clergy.⁸ This appeal was taken to Ireland

¹ The text of the letter from the bishop of Kildare, as printed by Prynne, p. 442, is evidently corrupt and imperfect, but this seems to be the meaning of the opening words. We have not traced the original, which seems to have disappeared.

² The substance of these letters can be deduced from the replies of the archbishops of Cashel and Tuam: below, nos. i and ii. Cantok is mentioned only in the bishop of Kildare's letter.

³ As indicated by the grants by the archbishop of Dublin and the bishop of Kildare.

⁴ Prynne, p. 442.

⁵ Of the archbishop's poverty there is other evidence: see the letters of Nicholas IV. of 5 August 1289 in A. Theiner, *Vetera Monumenta Hibernorum Historiam illustrantia*, p. 145; *Cal. Papal Letters*, i. 500.

⁶ Register of John Swarne, pp. 3-4.

⁷ W. Reeves, *Ecclesiastical Antiquities of Down, Connor and Dromore*, p. x. It is not clear that all of the prelates named actually pledged themselves, and, although the liberties of the Church and the grant of a subsidy had certainly been linked as early as 8 June, the date of the archbishop of Tuam's letter, the bishops were far from presenting a united front to the king's demand.

⁸ *Cal. Patent Rolls*, 1281-92, p. 449; Sweetman, no. 980. The bishop of Kildare and other suffragans who had promised to pay must be included among the 'other clerks in Ireland' mentioned.

by Cantok,¹ who had in the meantime returned to England and had been made chancellor of Ireland. What success Cantok had with the clergy on his second mission is not known, but his letter to Burnell, written about the end of January 1292, does not sound very optimistic. This was, however, no longer his first interest, for he took with him at the same time the pope's bulls granting the king a sexennial tenth,² which could not be resisted.

In the present connexion the importance of the negotiations for the fifteenth and the tenth does not lie in their success or failure. On one earlier occasion, the imposition of the 'new custom' of 1275, Edward I had sought the assent of his Irish subjects to taxation,³ but, for previous attempts to obtain a clerical subsidy, we must go back to the reign of Henry III, and the procedure then adopted is obscure. It is noteworthy that in 1291 provincial convocations, as well as diocesan synods, were assembled to discuss the king's request, and that the clergy were assembled also on a national basis. In the fourteenth century the organisation of the Irish church and the Irish system of parliaments and councils will be correlated, but in 1291 there seems to be no thought of this: the fifteenth and the tenth are discussed at unrelated assemblies.

The story of the negotiations for these subsidies is to be reconstructed in large part from five letters which, in the seventeenth century, were preserved on the chancery files for 19 and 20 Edward I in the Tower of London, where William Prynne found them. He printed them, with some omissions, in the vast third volume of his *Exact Chronological Vindication and Historical Demonstration of the Supreme Ecclesiastical Jurisdiction of our . . . Kings*. This book is rarely accessible outside great libraries and the documents have escaped notice.⁴ This is sufficient justification for printing three of them here from the originals which we have been able to identify.

¹ Prynne, p. 483: Cantok states that he had left at Bristol, to follow after him, 'quamplurima brevia decimam et quintam decimam tangentia,' and feared that they might have been lost: but they had evidently come to hand in time for his meeting to discuss the fifteenth on 28 January.

² The bulls Cantok took with him when 'fere solus et nudus . . . cum festinatione omnimoda versus Hiberniam properavi' (*loc. cit.*). They were dated 18 March 1291 (*Foedera*, i. ii. 747-8, 751-2; *Cal. Papal Letters*, i. 551-3), but were presumably not published until his arrival in Ireland. They had not been published in England until 1 September (W. E. Lunt, *Financial Relations of the Papacy with England to 1327*, pp. 346-7).

³ The procedure was closely parallel. A parliamentary grant was first obtained in England and the earl of Pembroke and other Irish magnates agreed to its extension to Ireland so far as their interests were concerned. The justiciar was then required to induce the magnates, ecclesiastical and lay, the commons and the merchants of Ireland to agree (*Parliamentary Writs*, i. 1-2).

⁴ First published 1668, the sheets were re-issued with different title pages in 1670 and 1672. Bishop Reeves, it is true, was acquainted with the book, but clearly he did not study the letters closely and confused their date and meaning. Since then they do not seem to have been used by Irish historians. Sweetman calendared (no. 899) only the letter of the archbishop of Tuam. We overlooked Prynne's publication of Cantok's letter to Burnell when we printed it in part in *Proc. R. Irish Acad.*, xxxviii, C: pp. 144-5.

I.

THE ARCHBISHOP OF CASHEL TO EDWARD I.

Anc. Cor., xix. 177. ¹

Domino suo reuerentissimo, domino Edwardo Dei gracia regi Anglie illustri, domino Hibernie ac duci Acquitanie, suus humilis ac deuotus Stephanus eadem gratia ecclesie Casselensis minister, salutem et gloriosum de hostibus semper reportare triumphum. Litteras vestre regie maiestatis recepimus, continentis quod fratres nostros et coepiscopos induceremus ut vobis de suis spiritualibus decimam vnius anni liberaliter concederent, ad releuamen immensarum expensarum circa principis de la Morrey² deliberacionem et pacis inter reges diuersos reformacionem per vos factarum. Nos autem, fratrū nostrorum, capitulorum et cleri facta congregacione generali, negocium vestrum predictum eisdem plenissime, prout possilitas nostra permittebat, exposuimus raciones efficaces, per quas eorum animos ad decimam concedendam alliceremus, adducentes intimas eis supplicationes infundendo et crebris monitionibus eos salubriter exhortando ut huic vestre graciōe peticioni annuerent. Qui demum, super hoc cum clero suo habito diligenti tractatu, vnamiter nobis finale dederunt responsum quod, cum omnes sui parochiani sint variis guerrarum concussionibus et aliis indebitis extorsionibus depauperati, clerū ad tantam deuenit inopiam quod vnde viuere omnino non habent ³ et, licet cleri ad hoc voluntas inclinet, potentia tamen repungat. Et licet nos et confratres nostri animo beniuolo vestre peticioni condecenderemus, concensum tamen cleri ob causas predictas allicere non possimus. Et quia nos de alieno sine iuris iniuria largiri non valemus, vestre regie maiestati deuote supplicamus quatinus, caritatis intuitu et ob Creatoris vestri reuerenciam, istud nobis non inpingatis, quia nouit Ille qui nichil ignorat quod nos corpus nostrum et omnia que habemus pro vobis exponere sumus parati, et circa dictum negocium, licet illud ad finem non perduximus optatum, omnem quam potuimus adhibuimus diligenciam.

Conseruet vos Altissimus per tempora longiora.

Endorsed :

Domino Edwardo Dei gracia illustri regi Anglie, domino Hibernie et duci Acquitanie, per Casselensem archiepiscopum.

¹ W. Prynne, *Exact Chronological Vindication*, III. 441-2.

² That is ' prince of the Morea ' or Achaia. It is odd to find this title given to Charles of Salerno, especially since he had dropped the title of prince of Achaia on the marriage of Florent d'Avesnes to Isabelle de Villehardouin, ' the lady of the Morea '. See W. Miller, *The Latins in the Levant*, pp. 168-71; L. de Mas Latrie, ' Les Princes de Morée ou d'Achaïe ' in *Miscellanea publicata dalla R. Deputazione Veneta di Storia Patria*, II, no. 3.

³ Sic.

II.

THE ARCHBISHOP OF TUAM TO EDWARD I.

Anc. Cor., xv. 67¹.

Excellentissimo principi ac domino suo reuerentissimo, domino Edwardo Dei gracia illustri regi Anglie, domino Hibernie et duci Aquitanie, Willelmus permissione diuina Tuamensis ecclesie minister humilis, salutem in Eo qui regibus dat salutem. Serenitatis vestre litteras affecione qua decuit nuper recepimus, quibus intime nos rogasti quod, ad certos diem et locum, nostros suffraganeos et clerum nostre prouincie coram nobis faceremus specialiter conuocari, quodque ipsos ex parte vestra induceremus efficaciter quod vna nobiscum decimam spiritualium ipsos contingencium vobis concederent gracie, ad exoneracionem debitorum, quibus estis impliciti propter misas graues et expensas necessarias quas nuper moram trahendo fecistis in partibus transmarinis circa deliberacionem magnifici principis vestri consanguinei, domini Karcli regis Sicilie, faciendam. Super quibus regie vestre celsitudini tenore presencium respondemus quod, iuxta litterarum vestrarum tenorem, suffraganeos et clerum nostre prouincie ad certos diem et locum fecimus conuocari, ipsosque diligencia et instancia quibus potuimus, nouit Altissimus, induximus et feruentissime rogauiimus quod peticionem tanti principis tam exilem recuarent nullatenus vel tardarent, set eam pocius grataanter concederent et votiue. Qui quidem suffraganei singuli cum suo clero ad deliberandum secesserunt ad partem, eorumque cleris, deliberato consilio, respondit vnanimiter quod, propter guerram, paupertatem et ecclesie libertates in statu debito conseruandas, peticionem vestram predictam nullo modo concedere poterat nec volebat. A cuius responsione idem suffraganei, vt asseruerunt, rationibus antedictis, ac propter appellationem per ipsum clerum ad sedem apostolicam interiectam, discedere non valebant, et sic cum eo partem duxerunt eligere negatiuam.

Nos ceterum immediatum nostrum clerum, ad certos diem et locum per nos similiter conuocatum, efficaciter induximus et feruenter quod concessioni peticionis prefate minime supersederent, intimantes eidem ac nostris suffraganeis eorumque clero quod, licet per concessionem huiusmodi modice crederent pregrauari, per eam tamen possent vestram et vestrorum beneuelenciam ministrorum et vberiorem graciam indubitanter captare, ac vos ipsi per hoc induci ad grauamina hibernicane ecclesie et personis ecclesiasticis ibidem illata hactenus reuocanda et fortassis ad eandem ecclesiam restituendam in solidum pristine libertati. Quibus auditis, super hiis deliberauit, in hunc modum respondens quod, cum sua beneficia exilia nimis existant ipsique per satellites hibernicos et per guerram depauperati sunt et admichilati, adeo quod victus tocius anni eis non sufficit commode

¹ W. Prynne, *Exact Chronological Vindication*, III. 440-1.

per sex menses, quod est planius omni plano, dicte petitioni in aliquo condescendere, non voluntate sed impotencia repugnante, penitus denegabat, sedem apostolicam, ne nos contra ipsum hac occasione procederemus inconsulto Romano pontifice, cuius licentia specialis, iuxta statuta canonica, est necessario in talibus optinenda, vna cum clero prouincie concorditer in scriptis appellans.

Nos siquidem qui voluntati regie sitimus, vt condecet, pro viribus complacere, sponsam duximus mole debitorum adeo pregrauatam, tempestate guerrarum tam continue perturbatam et tam tenuem in facultatibus, licet erubescamus hoc dicere, quod ex ea non possumus iuxta dignitatis nostre decenciam commode sustentari set extra nostram diocesim, in qua nulla penitus victualia possidemus, nos vrget ad presens necessitas commorari et, in fide qua Creatori, Romane ecclesie vobisque tenemur astricti, omnia nostra bona mobilia et se mouencia pro exoneracione nostre ecclesie debitorum per triennium concederemus et amplius cum accione multiplicitum graciarum, licet hoc aliquibus incredibile videatur. Vnde ad premissa, cum nostris suffraganeis atque clero, contra nostram voluntatem nunc compellimur concordare. Quapropter regiam vestram magnificenciam deuotis precibus exoramus quatinus, intuitu pietatis diuine, nostre compacientes impotencie, excusacionem nostram iustissimam et verissimam in premissis gratam habere dignemini pariter et acceptam.

Valeat et vigeat vestra regia celsitudo [*nobis grata per longi*ora Datum apud Athnery octauo die Iunii a natuitate Domini M^o CC^o nonagesimo primo anno.

Endorsed :

Reuerentissimo domino suo, domino Edwardo, Dei gracia illustr regi Anglie.

Per archiepiscopum Tuamensem.

III.

THOMAS CANTOK, CHANCELLOR OF IRELAND, TO ROBERT BURNELL,
CHANCELLOR OF ENGLAND.

Anc. Cor., xxxi. 166¹.

Reuerendo in Christo patri suoque amantissimo domino sua creatura salutem et se cum quanto poterit obsequio et honore in continua seruitute. Die lune in quindena sancti Hillarii² ad quem barones et magnates Hibernie necnon fidelis communitas eiusdem, ipsis duntaxat qui sunt de libertatibus certis ex causis exceptis, apud Dubliniam euocati extiterant, ipsorum maiorum animis ad optemperandum in omnibus voluntati domini nostri regis prius inductis, eisdem baronibus et magnatibus, necnon ceteris de communitate Hibernie tunc ibidem presentibus nuncium exposui de quintaadecima michi iniunctum. Quo exposito, omnes Hibernie fere maiores ipsam quintam decimam concesserunt in forma subscripta, videlicet quod a presta-

¹ W. Prynne, *Exact Chronological Vindication*, III. 483-4.

² The quinzaire of Hilary fell on Sunday 27 January 1292, and, although the method of dating is unusual, Monday the 28th is doubtless meant.

cione et taxacione eiusdem deducantur eorum arma, equitatura, generis cuiuscumque vtensilia, necnon eorum thesaurus et gardroba. Ceteri vero de vulgo et plures magnates, post immensas altercaciones habitas inter ipsos, asseruerunt se guerris cotidianis grauari et ex eo quamplurimum ere alieno. Propter quod nisi et ipsorum debita que debent similiter deducantur, vel in tantum exonerentur versus suos credidores quantum soluent de debitibus illis quintadecime nomine, ipsam nullo modo prestabunt, grataanter eciam et vnanimiter concedentes quod quintadecimam de debitibus que eis debentur personluerent. Quocirca paternitati vestre placeat reuerende istius concessione formam exponere domino nostro regi ut sue excellencie michi libeat demandare quid de premissis duxerit ordinandum, de eo maxime vtrum sibi placeat quod de istius anni nunc bonis apparentibus quinta-decima persoluatur an ipsius actio vsque in annum futurum proximo differatur, quod magis videtur meo iudicio expedire, enim uero presentis anni bona sunt fere consumpta. Dignetur eciam dominus noster rex terminos ordinare quibus quinta-decima debet solui: asseruerunt enim predicti Hibernie incole in concessionem eiusdem quinta-decime quod ipsam nisi diffusis terminis aliqualiter possunt [minime] soluere propter duo, vnum quia pauperes, aliud si, ex prematura et celeri exaccione eiusdem, pauperiores efficiantur, cicius sui inimici infideles Hibernici eis assidue machinantes subdolis incursibus ipsos forsan inuadent, depriment et confundent.

Pie pater, negocia me plura tangencia magister Henricus de Ragele lator presencium vobis, si placet, refert viua voce, in quorum aliquibus dignemini manus correcccionis apponere et aliis vestra benignitate auxilium impartiri. Scit vobis idem magister referre qualiter et quomodo negocium de decima clericorum prestanda incoauit et quibus vigiliis et diligencia tam predictum negocium quam istud studeo et insisto ad effectum felicem perducere et optatum. Pro certo, reuerende pater, asserere poteris domino nostro regi quod dominus Dauid de Offingtone bonus et fidus amicus hactenus a tempore aduentus mei in Hibernia extitit in premissis necnon ceteris omnibus que sibi iniunxi ex parte predicti nostri domini facienda. Set, vltra omnes quos in Hibernia sum expertus, archiepiscopus Cassellensis, ex immensis fidelitate et affectione quas gerit erga dominum nostrum regem, est merito commendandus. Que, si placet, eidem nostro domino referatis ut predictus dominus Dauid ab indignacione, quam adhuc ignorat incurrisse, . . . ndetur, et predictus archiepiscopus grates ex suis benemeritis valeat reportare.

Vos in prosperitate Altissimus semper saluct.

B. THE EARLIEST REFERENCE TO PARLIAMENT ROLLS

No reference to the rolls of an Irish Parliament is known of earlier date than that of the following record from the Trinity term of 25 Edward I, relating to the parliament held at Kilkenny on the morrow of Hilary, 1296. The language used would not appear to admit of doubt that the 'recordum rotulorum eiusdem parlamenti regis' was something different from an entry on a plea roll, although at this period the Justiciary Rolls not infrequently contain entries relating to parliamentary business. In England, during the same period, entries relating to parliamentary business are found on plea rolls, particularly those of the king's bench, although at the same time there are special series of 'parliament rolls,' which but rarely contain entries to be found elsewhere. Presumably the same practice obtained in Ireland.

THE EARL OF ULSTER IS REQUIRED TO BRING BEFORE THE JUSTICIAR WALTER SON OF JOHN DE BURGH AND HENRY DE BURGH WHO HAVE BEEN DELIVERED TO HIM, UPON MAINPRISE, IN OPEN PARLIAMENT.

Justiciary Roll, 25 Edward I, m. 32d.¹

Preceptum fuit vicecomiti quod—cum Iohannes filius Thome nuper tenuisset Walterum filium Iohannis de Burgo et Henricum de Burgo et quosdam alios Anglicos, de affinitate dilecti et fidelis regis Ricardi de Burgo, comitis Vltonie, in custodia sua tanquam obsides seu vadia, et [postea],² certis de causis, per breue regis venire fecisset prefatos Walterum et Henricum ad parliamentum regis coram Iohanne Wogan et consilio regis apud Kilkenniam in crastino sancti Hillarii, anno regis nunc xxiiij^{to}, vt eis ibi fieret quod iustum esset, et tandem ad rogatum ipsius comitis, et pro bono pacis regis meliorando, prefatus iusticiarius regis in pleno parlimendo illo corpora predictorum Walteri et Henrici eidem comiti liberavit, returnanda coram ipso iusticiario cum idem comes fuisse inde premunitus, et ipse comes illud facere gratis manucepit, prout per recordum rotulorum eiusdem parliamenti regis constat euidenter, et iam postea, sicut rex intellexit, diuerse roborie et homicidia et alia malefacta per eosdem Walterum et Henricum in partibus Momonie et alibi perpetrata sunt, in perturbacione pacis regis, vnde graue periculum possit euenire nisi festinum remedium ad hoc apponi faceret, idem rex misit [vicecomiti predicto]³ quoddam breue domini regis eidem comiti dirigendum, per quod

¹ Addl. 4790, fo. 143b-144. This entry is summarised in *Cal. Justiciary Rolls, 23-31 Edward I*, pp. 131-2, where it is headed 'Yet of the Morrow of Holy Trinity.'

² MS. 'nos'.

³ MS. has two unintelligible abbreviations, apparently 'dnn's R.'

14 January
1296

dictus rex mandauit¹ quod haberet corpora eorum coram capitali iusticiario regis Hibernie in crastino Ascensionis Domini etc. vltimo 3 June preterito etc., ad standum recto de predictis malefactis—sub testimonio fide dignorum, quos ad hoc idoneos esse videret, breue illud sibi liberari faceret, et per eosdem ipsum comitem premuniret quod ipsos haberet coram prefato iusticiario regis ad prefatum terminum, sicut superius est expressum. Mandauit eciam idem rex predicto comiti quod predictus vicecomes predictum breue suum ei liberaret et ipsum comitem premuniret in forma predicta, et quid etc., et de nominibus eorum per quos eum premuniret scire faceret prefato iusticiario regis ad prefatum terminum distincte et aperte. Et vicecomes mandat quod liberauit Ricardo de Burgo, comiti Ultonie, breue regis apud le Grene Castle, sub testimonio Nigelli le Brun [et] Galfridi de Wycombe, et per eosdem premunire fecit eundem Ricardum comitem quod haberet ad diem in breui contentum Walterum filium Iohannis de Burgo et Henricum de Burgo.

1297

¹ MS. 'mandat'.

C. COMPURGATION IN PARLIAMENT

The following letter purports to recount an incident in a parliament held at Kilkenny before Thomas fitz John, second earl of Kildare. The earl had two periods of office. The first period was as lieutenant to the justiciar, and subsequently as justiciar, from 30 September 1320 to 27 August 1321;¹ but this cannot be in question, since none of the bishops named had yet been appointed. The second period was as justiciar, from 12 May 1327 until 5 April 1328, when he died,² and it was between these dates, therefore, that we must place the parliament : this points to the parliament held at Kilkenny some time after Candlemas 1328, of which some account is given by the annalists.³

Now the dean and chapter of Ossory, who write the letter, assert that in this parliament they, with a number of bishops, earls, magnates and others, solemnly swore upon the gospels to the innocence of their bishop of charges made against him arising out of his quarrel with Arnold le Poer. They therefore claim an intimate personal knowledge of this incident, which happened, if they are to be believed, just over four years previously. However, of the three earls who, they assert, were among the compurgators, two did not possess this title when the parliament was held, or, indeed, until after Thomas fitz John was dead : for James Butler was not created earl of Ormond until 2 November 1328, and Maurice fitz Thomas was not created earl of Desmond until 27 August 1329. It is possible that the letter innocently gives them titles which they subsequently acquired, but it is odd that they should be given precedence over John Bermingham, who was, in fact, earl of Louth at the time. By itself, too, it would be a trivial mistake to call the bishop of Cork Walter when his name was William ; but a series of mistakes leads to a suspicion that the truth of the letter is not unimpeachable. And then the purpose of the letter is to accuse the justiciar of 1322 and other royal ministers in Ireland of refusing improperly to restore the bishop's temporalities to him, on the ground that they had been seized into the king's hands on account of the felonies and other trespasses with which he was charged. Of these charges, the writers say, the bishop has been

¹ E. 101/237/14 ; 238/6. He was formally appointed justiciar on 23 April 1321 (*Cal. Patent Rolls*, 1317-21, p. 578), but his patent did not reach him until the latter part of June (H. Wood, 'Office of Chief Governor of Ireland,' *Proc. R. Irish Acad.*, xxxvi, C, p. 224). The Issue Rolls treat the whole period of office as continuous.

² E. 101/239/5 ; 239/7 ; E. 372/176, m. 46. His formal appointment was on 12 March 1327 (*Cal. Patent Rolls*, 1327-30, p. 29), though it had already been announced a month earlier (*Foedera*, II. ii. 688-9).

³ *Chartularies of St. Mary's Abbey, Dublin*, II. 365 ; Grace, *Annales Hiberniae* (Irish Archaeological Soc.), pp. 104-6. Nothing is said here of the compurgation of the bishop of Ossory, although the other enemies of Arnold le Poer are stated to have offered to purge themselves, but apparently were put off.

purged. But if there had been a process of compurgation in parliament and the compurgators had included so many distinguished people, not only would the facts be too notorious for the king's ministers to deny, but assuredly there would have been a record of it. We can point to the kind of record we should expect to have been made; such a one, for example, as the memorandum of the admission of the earl of Desmond to mainprise in 1333.¹

But while the truth of the letter may be questionable, there is no reason to doubt that compurgation in parliament to clear the bishop of suspicion might be feasible; and, if the dean and chapter were writing of something that did not happen exactly as they recounted, they were not speaking of a happening altogether unlikely. While no similar incident in the fourteenth century has come to light, it is to be remarked that in 1465 the archbishop of Dublin cleared himself by compurgation in parliament, and that in 1477 the same course was made available to his successor, should the proceedings against him not be dropped.²

THE DEAN AND CHAPTER OF OSSORY TO EDWARD III.

Anc. Pet., 13526.

Excellentissimo principi ac domino suo, domino Edwardo Dei gracia regi Anglie illustri, domino Hibernie et duci Aquitanie, sui humiles et deuoti decanus et capitulum ecclesie Osoriensis in Hibernia, reuerenciam et obedienciam tanto principi et domino debitas cum honore. Mandatum vestrum nobis nuper et pluries directum pro restitucione temporalium domini episcopi Ossoriensis vna cum exitibus inde perceptis eidem domino faciendo, prout in breui vestro³ presentibus inclusio plenius continetur, vt decuit, recepimus reuerenter. Cum quidem huiusmodi mandato vestro parere fuerimus parati, iusticiarius et alii ministri vestri in Hibernia ne temporalia predicta restitueremus eidem nobis inhibuerunt, expresse dicentes quod non tantum ex causa in breui contenta temporalia predicta in manus vestras fuerunt capta, set etiam pro feloniis et aliis transgressionibus. Nos tamen in hiis scriptis testimonium perhibemus veritati, quod venerabiles patres domini Walterus tunc Corcagensis, Iohannes Lismorensis, Nicholaus Waterfordensis, episcopi, domini Mauricius⁴ filius Thome Desmonie, Iacobus Pincerna Vurmonie, Iohannes de Brymgham⁵ Louthe, comites, Thomas le Botiller, Willelmus de Brymgham,⁵

¹ Above, part I, no. 12.

² *Statute Rolls of the Parliaments of Ireland, 1-12 Edward IV.*, pp. 346-50, 12-22 Edward IV., pp. 500-4. When, however, the bishop of Meath was accused in 1427, he asked in parliament, not that he might clear himself there, but that the case might be remitted to the archbishop of Armagh to proceed to his compurgation (*Register of John Swayne*, pp. 66-8).

³ *Foedera*, II. ii. 818 (10 May 1331).

⁴ MS. 'Mauricii'.

⁵ *Sic*.

Remundus Lercedecon, Willelmus Lercedecon, Dauid Beket, Iohannes le Blancheule et Rogerus de Pembrochia, milites, et quamplures, abbates, priores et solempniores communitatis Kilkennie et multi alii nobiles vna nobiscum predictum reuerendum patrem Ossoriensem episcopum, tactis sacrosanctis euangeliis, purgarunt in pleno parlimento Kilkennie celebrato coram domino Thoma comite Kildare, tunc iusticiario Hibernie, et purgauimus, quem eciam adhuc purgamus, quod ipse nunquam verbo vel facto seu quoquismodo inuit seu informauit vel animauit seu eciam induxit quoscumque ad insurgendum vel aliquod aliud faciendum contra pacem vestram vel honorem, nec ad depredandum dominum Arnaldum le Poer militem nec quemcumque de suis vel ad conburendum castra seu maneria predicti Arnaldi seu quorumque suorum vel aliorum, nec ad interficiendum quemcumque seu ad retinendum vel manutendum quemcumque felonem vel felonies contra pacem vestram insurgentes vel insurgere volentes. Set quia idem dominus episcopus Ossoriensis contra dictum Arnaldum le Poer militem processit, iusticia compellente, amici predicti Arnaldi et quamplures alii, propter prosecucionem cause fidei et ecclesie dicto domino episcopo emuli, sinistra predicta minus veraciter predicarunt de eodem, et eundem, vt accepimus, indictari procurarunt maliciose coram Fratre Rogero Outlawe priore Hospitalis sancti Iohannis Ierusalem in Hibernia, tunc iusticiario Hibernie.¹ Vnde excellencie regie dignitatis humiliiter supplicamus et deuote quod, ob Dei reuerenciam et pontificalis dignitatis honorem, si aliqua talia vel predictis consimilia contra predictum Ossoriensem episcopum sint a quocumque insinuata vel eciam relata, talibus fidem, si placet, non adhibeat regia dignitas reuerenda. In quorum omnium testimonium et fidem pleniorum sigillum nostrum commune presentibus est appositum, Datum Kilkennie secundo die Maii anno Domini M^oC^oC^o tricesimo secundo.

2 May
1332

¹ He acted as lieutenant to the justiciar 1-12 May 1327, again after the death of the earl of Kildare on 5 April 1328 until John Darcy le cosyn assumed office (May-June 1329), and, for a third time, from 17 January 1330 to 2 June 1331 (Wood, *op. cit.*, p. 225, supplemented by E. 101/239/5, 19 and 29, and E. 372/176, m. 46).

D. PROTEST OF THE IRISH CLERGY TO RICHARD II.

The following petition arose out of an ordinance made at a parliament held at Westminster 'in the third year of the present king,' and the particulars given show it to have been the 'Statute of Absentees' of 1380,¹ which required non-resident Irish landowners and holders of Irish benefices to contribute to the defence of the land. The parliament at which the petition was presented is, in all probability, that which met at Westminster on 3 November 1381 and at which, as the petition states, the liberties of the church were confirmed: ² curiously, and for no obvious reason, this formality appears to have been omitted at the previous parliament, which met at Northampton on 5 November 1380.³

The protest is noteworthy for at least one of the grounds of objection, namely, that the Irish prelates and clergy were neither summoned nor assenting parties to legislation which affected their interests. But the petitioners do not fairly represent the effect of the ordinance, which provided that clergy absent from Ireland on the king's service, or as students at universities, or for other reasonable cause, with the king's licence, should be taxed at only one-third the net value of their benefices, although it was true that, if they were absent without licence, they ran the risk of losing two-thirds of their profits. No reply is endorsed on the petition, but clearly it must have been a refusal, for the ordinance continued in force unmodified and was confirmed in 1400.⁴

PETITION TO THE KING IN PARLIAMENT FROM THE PRELATES AND CLERGY OF IRELAND.

Anc. Pet., 5900.

A nostre tresredouté seigneur le roi et as prelatz et seigneurs de cest present parlement moustant les prelatz et clergie de la terre d'Ireland que, come la ou nostre seigneur le roi q'ore est et ses nobles progenitours, rois d'Engleterre et seigneurs d'Ireland,ount de tout temps gracieusement confermez les fraunchises et libertés de seinte esglise, et noiemement nostre seigneur le roi q'ore est en cest present parlement, les ditz prelatz et clergie ount estéz et uncore sont outrageusement grevész et anientéz par une ordinance faite en un parlement tenuz a Westmouster l'an nostre seigneur le roi q'ore est tiercz, c'est assavoir que les deux parties des profitz des benefices de chescun des ditz

¹ *Rotuli Parliamentorum*, III. 85-6 (no. 42): translated in *Early Statutes of Ireland*, pp. 476-7, from Prynne's *Animadversions*, p. 307. For a contemporary manuscript copy, apart from that on the Parliament Roll, see *Parliament and Council Proceedings (Exchequer)*, E. 175/3/4.

² *Rotuli Parliamentorum*, III. 115; *Statutes of the Realm*, II. 17.

³ *Rotuli Parliamentorum*, III. 93.

⁴ *Early Statutes of Ireland*, pp. 500-2.

prelatz et clergie esteant absent hors du dite terre sanz licence nostre seigneur le roi, tout soit il pur cause touchant la defense ou droit de lour dites benefices a la court de Rome ou aillours, pur pelerinage, devocation ou autre cause quiconque, serront seisiez es mains nostre seigneur le roi et emploiez en eide et sustenaunce des guerres illeoques, les ditz prelatz et clergie unques a ceo nient appelliez n'assentuz, a tresgraund prejudice, si bien du franchise de seinte eglise come a anientissement des liges nostre seigneur le roi celles parties, a cause que les benefices illeoques, qui soleient eux soliciter¹ entour lour doctrine a Oxenford, Cantebrige et aillours, parount les liges de la dite terre estoient moult confortez et eidiez encontre les Irrois lour enemys illeoques, sont ore restreignez par la dite ordeneance q'ils ne puissent continuer lour dites escoles, la ou les Irrois enemys de mesme la terre sont frankes d'aler ou que lour plerra sanz impediment, a greindre damage et arrerissement que purra avenir as liges nostre seigneur le roi susditz, a cause du graund conseil et comfort que les ditz enemys en lour faulsete et rebelleion ount par le sotelté et ymaginacion de lour clercz susditz. Que plese a vostre sage descrecion, en oevre de charité, et si bien en salvacion des libertés et franchise de seinte esglise come pur tresgraund profit et eese des liges susditz, repeller l'ordinance avaundite, par quelle la clergie et doctrine du dite terre est en point d'estre anientie et destreint pur touz jours, considerantz que les ditz beneficers absentz ount estez et sont contributories as taxes, subsidies et autres charges, si avaunt come nul esteant resident deinz mesme la terre, chescun solonc l'afferrant de la value de son benefice.

¹ I.e., to maintain them.

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NOTE.—Descriptions have been curtailed and abbreviated. The following may be remarked: ‘parl. repres.’ stands for parliamentary representation; ‘knt.’ stands for knight of the shire, while ‘burgess’ and ‘citizen’ mean representatives returned by boroughs and cities; ‘assessor,’ ‘collector’ and ‘receiver’ imply a subsidy.

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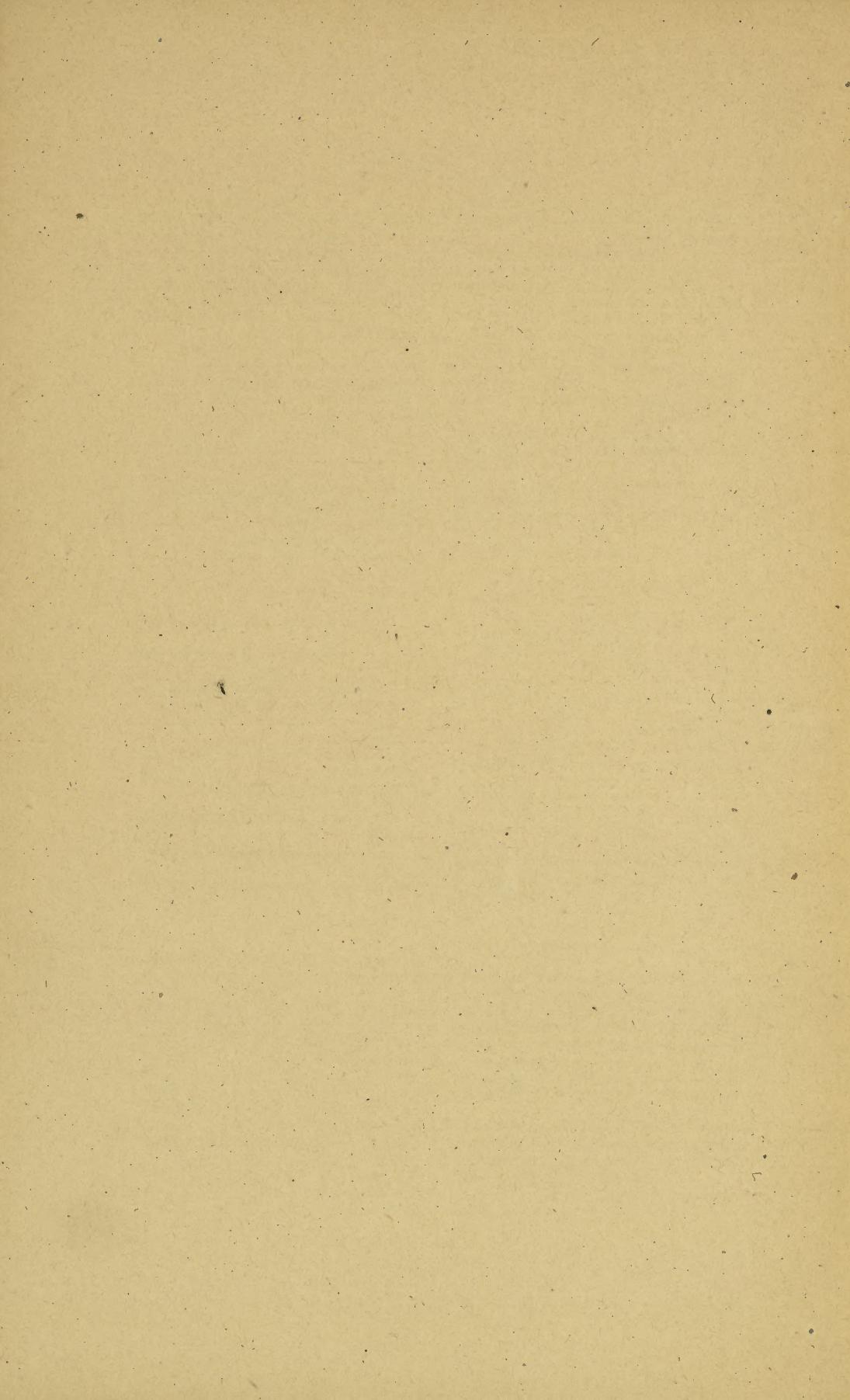
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