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Feb. 81. Suit of the Master, Wardens, and Assistants of the Trinity House to the Queen, for the better keeping of Wednesday as a fish day only, for the increase of fishing and better maintenance of the navy; and also for the better observance of a branch of the Act for licensing mariners and seafaring men to work wherries on the Thames.

Feb. 82. Rate for the diet of a man for the fish days, and the difference in price for flesh.

Feb. 83. Proviso proposed to be inserted in the Bill for increase of navigation. [*Probably for the Act 23 Eliz., cap. 7, but no such proviso occurs in that nor any subsequent Act relating to navigation.*]

Feb. ? 84. Answers to the pretended Bill for maintenance of the navy; the restraint of importation of foreign herrings and other fish would be injurious.

Feb. ? 85. "Draft of an Act that Her Majesty shall appoint collectors for the Bishoppes Tenths."

86. Bill for maintaining a light on Winterton Steeple for the more safety of such ships as pass by that coast.

Feb. 87. Bill for relief of prisoners confined for debt in the Bench and Fleet prisons, for making composition with their creditors.

Feb. 88. Commission to the Lord Mayor, Recorder, and Sheriffs of London, the Bishop of London, and many others, upwards of sixty in number, to compound with the creditors of poor debtors, prisoners in Newgate and Ludgate, and the two Compters in the city of London.

Feb. ? 89. Petition of William Overton, Bishop of Coventry and Lichfield, to the Council. Prays to be relieved from the injurious effects of certain leases of the manors of Bishops Itchington, Tachebrooke, &c., co. Warwick, granted by former bishops; the rents being factiously withheld by Edward Fisher now in possession.

Feb. ? 90. Particulars of leases of the manors of Tachebrooke, Bishops Itchington, and others, granted to Thomas Fisher, and detained by Edward his son.

Feb. ? 91. Petition of the Gunmakers to the Council; praying for a charter of incorporation for the true making and repairing of callivers, muskets, dags, and other small guns and pieces; the Earl of Warwick, or the Master of the Ordnance for the time being, to be governor of the said company.

Feb. ? 92. Duplicate of the above.

Feb. ? 93. Petition of the same to Sir Fr. Walsyngham; soliciting his furtherance of their petition to the Council, which the Earl of Warwick has read and approved of.