

We, ratifying and approving these Gifts and Grants aforesaid, confirm and make strong all the same for Us and our Heirs perpetually ; and by the Tenour of these Presents, do renew the same, Willing and Granting for Us and our Heirs, that this Charter, and all and singular its Articles for ever, shall be stedfastly, firmly and inviolably observed. And if any Article in the same Charter contained, yet hitherto peradventure hath not been kept, We will, and by our Authority Royal, command, from henceforth firmly they be observed. In Witness whereof we have caused these our Letters Patents to be made. *T. Edward* our Son at *Westminster*, the twenty eighth day of *March* in the twenty eighth Year of our Reign.

NOTES.

Escuage, (i. e.) the Service of the Shield: The Tenant holding by this Tenure, was bound to follow the King to the Wars at his own Charge, and if he did not, and provided no other in his place, then he was to pay a Sum of Money, which was called a *reasonable Aid* to the Lord ; and this Sum or Duty being uncertain, therefore the King granted, that no more should be taken, than was wont in the Time of his Grandfather : But this is now taken away by the Statute 12 Car. 2 cap. 24. by which all Tenures by Knights Service, &c. and the *Fruits and Consequences thereof* (of which *Escuage* was one) are discharged.

The CHARTER of the Forest.

THIS Charter was likewise confirmed in the same Year with *Magna Charta*, (viz.) *Anno 9 H. 3.* for before that time the People were grievously oppressed, by making Forests ; for as by