

CHAP. XIV.

NO Forester from henceforth (which is not a Forester in Fee, paying to us Farm for his Bailiwick) shall take Chiminage; But a Forester in Fee, paying us Farm for his Bailiwick, shall take Chiminage, (*viz.*) for Carriage by Cart, the Half-year two pence, and for another Half-year two pence; for an Horse that beareth Loads, for an Half-year; an Half-penny, and for another Half-year an Half-penny, and but of those only who come as Merchants through his Bailiwick by his License, to buy Bushes, Timber, Bark, Coal, and in another place to sell it again where they will, at their pleasure; but for no other Carriage by Cart, Chiminage shall be taken. Those who bear on their Backs, Brush, Bark or Coal to sell, though it be their Living, shall pay no Chiminage to our Foresters, except they take it within our Demesne Woods.

NOTES.

The Foresters, before the making this Charter, did frequently oppress the People passing through the Forests, by exacting Toll from them for Carts or Horses carrying any Burthens, which was called Chiminage; and they likewise exacted another Toll from every Traveller through the Forest, either on foot or horse-back, and this was called Pedage.

This was remedied by this Charter, so that those who were only Foresters during Pleasure, or for Life, could take no such Toll, but only those who were Foresters in Fee, and farmed their Bailiwicks of the King; and they were likewise limited to take but a Half-penny for the Half-year in the Summer, and two pence for the Winter Half-year, and not of all who travelled through the Forests with loaded Carts and Horses, but only of such who come to buy Timber

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