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SUMMARY: The document below is a note, tentatively dated June 1563 (see *CSPD Edward VI, Mary I, Elizabeth I, 1547-1580*, p. 226), stating the need for repairs to Colne House and to the pales of the parks at Castle Hedingham. For accounts for repairs done at Colne House in October 1563 and from January to March 1564 under the supervision of Jasper Jones, then clerk of the kitchen to Lady Margery (d.1568), Countess of Oxford, see TNA SP 12/31/7.

Reparations to be done upon certain of th' Earl of Oxenford's houses and parks

Divers of the houses belonging to Colne House be in great decay, and some of them so ruinous as they were better to be taken down than repaired.

The pale of the castle park of Hedingham and the pale of the little park in Hedingham be in great ruin, and nothing sufficient to keep in the deer without present reparations.

Endorsed: Request for reparation of certain th' Earl of Oxford's houses & parks.