Membrane 25—cont.

St. Quiterie, Bone Garde, Sourdes, La Bacud, Petreforade, Poylhon, Huyre, Herbeauer, and to the merchants of Burdeus, who advanced loans to the king in the time of the war of Gascony against the king of France, as appears by letters patent sealed with the great seal, and by letters of the king’s lieutenants in Gascony, and of other clerks there appointed to make payments and audit accounts, which letters have been enrolled and assigned at the Exchequer, that as soon as the escheators or other ministers have raised 5,000 marks, arrears of the assignments made heretofore by letters patent to Margaret, queen of England, the king’s consort, and to Ametz, count of Sauveie, the king’s kinsman, out of the issues of bishoprics, abbey and priories of the realm in time of voidance, they or their proctors shall receive and have the issues thereof that appertain to the king or his heirs in time of voidance throughout the realm of England, as well of those that belong to the king (coles qu’est en leur certain vesige nous) or his heirs, as of others that are or shall come to the hands of the escheators, as entirely and in the same manner as the king or his heirs should receive them, and as the escheators should answer for the same at the Exchequer, without any diminution, until the said commonalities and merchants are fully satisfied of their debts, according to the above letters, the form of every one of which is written in indenture made between them and John de Sandale and Thomas de Cantebrig, king’s clerks, or one of them, who were empowered to make them. And grant that the king will not give or take, or cause to be given or taken, any assignment of the said issues until they are fully satisfied as above. And the escheators are commanded accordingly to pay the said issues to them or their proctors in the town of London as they come in. And to perform this the king has caused to be sworn Walter de Gloucestre, knight, escheator beyond Trent, and Master Richard de Havering, escheator this side Trent, that they will hasten the payment, and granted that two of their proctors shall remain at the king’s costs and expenses, each to receive 6d. a day until the debts are fully paid.

French.

April 28. The like (in the same terms as above) to divers merchants of Byern, to wit, of Oleron, Saubacterre, Morlans and Ourthes, who in like manner advanced loans for the said war, as appears by like letters, that as soon as the escheators or other ministers have raised 4,000 marks, arrears of assignments made heretofore to the said Margaret and Ames out of the issues of wards and marriages, they or their proctors shall receive and have them until they are satisfied of their said debts. French.

Vacated because surrendered and cancelled.

April 28. Pardon to Thomas de Richemund, in the gaol of Durham castle for the death of William Pollard, within the liberty of the bishopric of Durham, granted at the request of Humphrey de Bohun, earl of Hereford and Essex, who has undertaken before the king that the said Thomas shall forthwith go with the king to Scotland and remain there on his service at will.

By K. on the information of J. de Benstede.

Grant, at the petition of Benedict, the abbot, and the prior and convent of St. Mary’s, York, and in consideration of 50l. to be paid by them on demand, that when the abbey falls void by the death or cession of the said Benedict, the prior and convent shall have the custody thereof for three months, so that no escheator or other bailiff or minister shall meddle therein or prevent their free administration of the possessions, profits, and rents there-of, or of the issues arising therefrom; saving to the king, knights’ fees, advowsons of churches, and wards and marriages of the free tenants of the abbey that fall in during that time; with a proviso that if the voidance last longer than three months the king shall then have the custody.

By K. on the information of J. de Benstede.