Jan. 28. Writ de intendendo for Thomas Stace, whom Walter Waldeshef, king's serjeant, the chief butler, has appointed to be his deputy, during his pleasure, in the ports of the towns of Ipswich, Dunwich, Orforde, Erewelle, and in the other ports to the head of the Thames.

Membrane 4.

Jan. 24. Restitution to the abbot and convent of St. Mary, York, of 2 tofts and 8½ acres of land in Suth Elmham and Wysete, which are of the fee of that house and are worth 3s. a year, as appears by an inquisition made by John Abel, escheator on this side Trent. Simon, sometime abbot of St. Mary's, had acquired the same to him and his house in fee, after the publication of the statute of mortmain, without licence from king Edward I., for which trespass the said tofts and land were taken into the hands of the present king. The abbot and convent are to hold the lands in part satisfaction of a licence to acquire lands to the value of 200l. a year, which king Edward I. granted to them in the Parliament held at Lincoln upon their petition exhibited before him and the Council, and also at the request of queen Margaret his consort, as appears by the indorsement upon the petition.

Jan. 25. Licence for the alienation in mortmain to the abbot and convent of Seleby Westminster, by Thomas de Acastre of 5 acres of wood in Acastre, held of the abbot, which are worth in all issues, according to their true value, 2s. 6d., as appears by an inquisition made by John de Eure, escheator beyond Trent, in part satisfaction of a licence granted to them to acquire lands, tenements and rents to the value of 28l. a year.

Feb. 1. Inspeximus and confirmation of a writing between Peter Achard of the one part and William son of John de Sperholte of the other, by which the latter covenanted for himself and his heirs that henceforth, once in each year, within 15 days after Michaelmas, at the reasonable summons of the said Peter Achard, or of his heirs, that he with all his men of the age of 12 years who are of the fee of the said Peter Achard, will come to the court of the latter at Sperholte to view of frank-pledge, which view Peter Achard and his heirs will make of the said men, without any occasion touching the king's peace, viz. that neither Peter Achard nor any one of his heirs after him, or of his bailiffs, shall take or extort anything from the men of the said William, but every profit and all amercements which accrue from the said men on that day or on any other day in the year by reason of any trespass shall remain to the said William and his heirs, to be taken at his will without any objection of the said Peter Achard or of his heirs or of his bailiffs, saving nevertheless to him and his heirs 12d. of yearly rent, which the said William and his heirs shall pay every year on the day of the view by reason of the said view. Further the said William son of John de Sperholte granted for himself and his heirs to Peter Achard and his heirs, that if any of his men shall make any default, as in breaches of assize, by which judgment should be made therein, on the day of the view, amends shall be made on this account in the court of Peter Achard; or if a thief shall be taken upon the land of the said William, he or his heirs shall incontinent deliver such thief to Peter Achard or his heirs or bailiffs, who shall receive the prisoner without any objection or delay; nevertheless that, if any profit shall arise out of any of the matters aforesaid, it shall remain to the said William and his heirs in consideration of the said twelve pence. Peter Achard granted that the said William son of John de Sperholte and his heirs should be quit of all manner of suits of his court and of all manner of royalties and foreign services. Witnesses: William de Engleford, Alan de Farnham, William de Sancta Elena, John de Turberville, Robert de Wyleby,