Membrane 12—cont.

Nov. 25. Protection with clause volumus, for one year, with the assent and counsel of some magnates, for James Jacomy, 'Lumbard,' who is bound to the king in divers sums of money and is also pledge to him for divers other debtors; to the end that he be free of his body to labour in England and make the payments due to the king. By p.s.

Dec. 4. Presentation of John Swetomon of Pencrich, chaplain, to the church of St. George, in the diocese of London, void by the resignation of Thomas de Middelton, last rector, and in the king's gift by reason of the priory of Bermondsey being in his hand on account of the war with France.

Dec. 3. Grant to the abbot of Thorneye that he by letters patent may make attorneys in his place to sue and defend all pleas for or against him in the counties of Warwick and Rutland and the hundred of Knyghtelowe, co. Warwick. For ½ mark paid in the hanaper.

Nov. 13. Indenture between the king and John Dauntesey, knight, and Joan, his wife, witnessing that the king has granted to them in tail the whole manor of Merden, co. Wilts, with the homages, services of the free tenants, view of frank-pledge and all other liberties and commodities, they rendering a rose a Midsummer; with this condition, that if they observe all the covenants relating to the manors of Norton Skydemor, Fyfhide, Trowe, Hacchesham, Braundeston and Combes, in the counties of Wilts, Surrey and Suffolk, which the prioress of Dertford holds of the king's grant as parcel of the foundation of the house, contained in an indenture made between the prioress and the said John, at Dertford, on 4 November, 47 Edward III, according to the effect of that indenture, or if the heirs of the body of Joan, if she die in the lifetime of her husband, observe such covenants, then John and Joan and their said heirs shall have the manor for ever, otherwise it shall be lawful for the king and his heirs to seize the manor again into his hands, and John and Joan and the heirs of her body and others who shall hold the manor shall be bound to the king in 21L for each year in which they have had the manor before such re-entry; and the king promises that when the covenants are fulfilled he or his heirs will ratify the estate of John and Joan and their said heirs in the manor without any condition. In witness whereof the king's seal and the seals of John and Joan are appended. Witnesses: S. bishop of London, W. bishop of Winchester, the king's son Edmund, earl of Cambridge, Richard, earl of Arundel, John Knyvet, the chancellor, Richard le Scrope, the treasurer, William de Latymer, the king's chamberlain, Nicholas de Carreu, keeper of the king's privy seal, and others. Dated at Westminster, 13 November.

By K. & C.

And on 6 December the king appointed Michael Skillyng to deliver seisin of the manor in his name to the said John and Joan.