setting forth that by reason of the king's war in the said duchy, and an
invasion of the said town by the French he has lost lands, rents and buildings
to the yearly value of 600 pounds of Bordeaux, and to make him due
satisfaction for his losses. By K.

The king, recalling the services of the merchants of the society of the
Bardi to the crown from times far distant and their generous offer to render
all the aid in their power in the future, although by such service they have
lost capital and credit, some having been imprisoned in places and some
having been called on suddenly for repayment of money lodged with them
in their business through fears as to their solvency, by advice of the prelates
and nobles attending him, has taken the merchants of the said society into
his particular service and special protection, promising full satisfaction for
all moneys and other things trusted to him, and of all assignments made
to them, and binding himself to restore the estate and honour of the society
by his bounty. If he do not fulfil this in his lifetime, he enjoins Edward,
duke of Cornwall, his first-born son, by his paternal benediction, to fulfil his
promise.

John, archbishop of Canterbury, Henry, bishop of Lincoln, Richard,
bishop of Durham, Henry, earl of Derby, William, earl of Northampton,
William, earl of Salisbury, and Robert, earl of Suffolk, promise and give
mainprise that the king will fulfil his promises.

Grant, in view of the homage and fealty which he has done in person to
the king, to John de Aspremont, lord of Forpas, of an annuity of 60l. at
the Exchequer, until the king grant him an equivalent of land and rent.

Aug. 2. Vilvorde.
Grant to Thomas Cerf, king's clerk, of an annuity of 10 marks at the
Exchequer, until the king grant a suitable benefice. By K.

Membrane [16]—cont.

Aug. 3. Brussels.
Grant to John de Sancto Paulo, king's clerk, of the prebend of Langetre
in the church of St. Andrew, Wells, in the king's gift by reason of the
late voidance of the see. By K.

Aug. 10. Vilvorde.
Inspeximus and confirmation of a release [in French], dated at Walton,
6 July, 12 Edward III. by queen Philippa, to William de Kentebury, king's
yeoman, of the rent of 4d. an acre due to her out of 100 acres of lands
newly assarted near Lyveden in the forest of Rokingham, which she holds
for life; and grant as a further grace of the like release for his life, on
condition that after his death his heirs render to the king 4d. an acre for
the said land.

Appointment of the king's clerks, Alan de Kyllum and Henry de
Langeton to raise loans for the king to the sum of 40,000l. sterling.

Bond to the merchants of the society of the Bardi in 9,600 florins of
Florence, lent by the hands of William de Northwell, king's clerk, keeper
of the wardrobe, for discharge of the king's jewels lately pledged at Bruges.
[Fœdera.] By [K.]
The like to the merchants of the society of the Peruzzi in 6,400 florins.
[Fœdera.] By [K.]

Indemnity to the merchants of the society of Bardi with respect to
1,140 florins with the shield (florenis de scuto), for the payment whereof at
Martinmas to Everard Hardfust of Orreum and John de Aureo Capite
the elder, citizens of Cologne, they are bound at the king's request. By K.