1340.
April 16. Ratification under the seal now in use of letters patent lately made at Antwerp under date of 19 November, 13 Edward III. to the merchants of the society of the Leopardi. [Patent Roll, 13 Edward III. part 3, m. 1.]
By K. & C.

May 27. Appointment of the king’s son, Edward, duke of Cornwall and earl of Chester, to be keeper of the realm of England and the king’s lieutenant there during his absence beyond the seas. [Federa.]
By K.

May 28. Appointment of William de Clynton, earl of Huntingdon, to attend the duke and assist him with council and aid, for such time as the king shall be absent.
The like of the following:
J. archbishop of Canterbury.
By K.

Shotley.
Thomas Wake of Lydel.
Ralph de Nevill.

June 1. Licence, in enlargement of the late licence for the abbot and convent of Faversham to exchange with John, archbishop of Canterbury, the manor of Treng, co. Hertford, for the advowsons of the churches of Bocston ‘under Blue’ and Preston by Ospringe, co. Kent, for the alienation in frank almain by John de Molyns to the archbishop of the advowson of the church of the town of Treng, said to be held in chief.
By p.s.

May 23. Grant for life to Thomas Wake of Lydel of the constableship of the king’s castle of Somerton with the usual wages and fees. [Federa.]
By p.s. Vacated because surrendered and the said custody was not delivered to him nor did he meddle with it.

May 26. Pardon to the present prior of Haltemprice and the convent of that place for the acquisition in mortmain by Thomas de Overton, sometime prior, from William de Neuland of 5 acres of land in Cotyngham, and by Thomas de Elvele, late prior, from Walter Stel of 4 acres of land in Neuton by Cotyngham, and from Nigel de Neuland of Cotyngham of 3 acres of land, in Neuton, and from John de Meaux, knight, of a rood of land in the same town and Willardby, and the entry into these by the said priors and the present prior, made without licence of any of the king’s progenitors or of the king; and licence for them to retain the same.
By p.s.

June 3. Whereas William de Monte Acuto, earl of Salisbury, is bound for the king to certain merchants in divers sums lent for the king’s service beyond the seas, to wit to Robert de Uppesalle and Robert de Preston of Kyngeston-upon-Hull in 200L to Geoffrey de Yafford in 136L to Alan Cok in 36L to Gilbert Birkyn in 40L and to Roger de Brisele of Kingeston-upon-Hull, in 50L with which sums amounting to 486L William de Northwell, king’s clerk, is charged; and whereas Henry de Tideswell, to discharge the king and earl, has kindly engaged himself to pay the whole amount; the king in consideration of his good will in that behalf, has sold and assigned to the said Henry, in satisfaction of the 486L and of 100L part of money due to him for his wool taken for the king’s use at Durdraght, for such 586L the whole subsidy of the ninth of sheaves, lambs and fleeces, granted to him in the last Parliament, within the deaneries of Peterborough and Oundle, co. Northampton, to wit of the first year. If the amount received should amount to more than the sum required, he shall enter into a recognisance.