1341.

April 26. Protection and writ of aid, until Trinity Sunday, for William Muchet, Westminster. Everard de Alcena, John Hibbeworth and Ralph de Sancto Edmundo, deputed by William, marquess of Juliers, to accelerate the buying and shipping in the port of Ipswich of 100 sacks of wool, which the king has granted the marquess licence to buy within the realm to make his profit of beyond the seas, and take from that port, notwithstanding any ordinance against taking wool without the realm from any ports except London, Southampton, Boston, Kyngeston-upon-Hull and Newcastle-upon-Tyne, provided that the custom and subsidy due be paid before export. By K.

April 28. The king lately requested the prior and convent of St. Andrew's, Norfhampton, to provide for Robert de la Chapele such sustenance from their house as Richard Swyn had had in his lifetime at the request of Edward II, but learning that John Swyn had been admitted to that sustenance by pretext of letters from him to the late keeper of the house and the said convent, he commanded the keeper to certify him in the chancery whether the said John had any estate in the sustenance, and, if so, in what manner, and the keeper signified that he had been admitted as above. It is the king's will that the said Robert, who has been a faithful servant to him, shall not be excluded by such admission, especially as the letters in favour of John, if such there be, having emanated without his knowledge or will, have been revoked; and that the priory and convent may do what is right for the said Robert with security, he grants that they be wholly quit of the sustenance of the said John. By K.


April 28. Grant to John de Bumpsted, king's clerk, that whereas the king by letters patent lately appointed him to the custody of one part of the seal for the recognisances of debts at Norwich, during pleasure, he shall hold the office during good behaviour, so that he shall not be removed without reasonable cause, whereof the king shall be certified before his removal. By p.s.

May 3. Geoffrey de Drayton, going to Ireland on the king's service with John Morice, has letters nominating William de Holecote and Hugh le Rede of Temesford as his attorneys in England for one year. The abbot of Wardon received the attorneys by writ.

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April 30. Presentation of William Vyvyan of Chynnore to the vicarage of the church of Astwode in the diocese of Lincoln, in the king's gift by reason of the temporalities of the prior of Tykford being in his hands for lawful causes.

April 26. Grant for ten years to the mayor, bailiffs and good men of the borough of Bishop's Lynn that no merchants, denisen or alien, or any other person, or their goods and merchandise, shall be arrested within the borough for any debt, whereof they are not debtors, pledges or mainpernors, or for trespasses of others, unless such debt or trespass specially affect the king. By C.