1341.

April 16. Appointment, until Midsummer, of Benedict de Burgo Sancti Petri to Langley. view and search in all places and sea coasts of England and in places in foreign parts where merchants and mariners with wool and wool-fells come or stay, for any wool or wool-fells shipped without payment of the custom and subsidy due, and to arrest the same and detain it until further order, certifying the king of the names of those who have taken it without the realm.

By K.

April 18. Appointment of Walter de Betede, king’s serjeant-at-arms, to make proclamation in Boston and the vicinage touching wool withheld from the king (as in m. 25d as far as ‘to the amount aforesaid,’ and then thus), and to cause the residue of the wool to be kept by the receivers of the king’s wool until he give further order herein.

MEMBRANE 22d.

April 4. Mandate to Richard de Wyndesore and his fellows, keepers of the peace in the county of Middlesex, to use greater diligence in executing the king’s commissions to them in that behalf, as the king is informed that on account of their negligence breaches of the peace are now more frequent than before.

The like to the following:—

Thomas de Loveyn and his fellows, keepers of the peace in the county of Derby.

John de Bures and his fellows, keepers of the peace in the county of Surrey.

April 25. Commission de wallis et fossatis to William de Wauton, Henry Gernet, Henry Darcy, William de Teye and William de Tendryng along the coast of the river Thames and the parts adjacent in the county of Essex.

MEMBRANE 20d.

April 18. Commission to Roger Power, king’s serjeant-at-arms, John Condy of Sandwich and William atte Forstall of Faversham to make inquisition in the county of Kent touching wool and other merchandise which, as is said, have been put in ships and boats on the coast by Rceulvre and sent beyond the seas, uncocketed, and certify the king whose were such wool and merchandise and the said ships or boats, of the quantity and value of the merchandise and of the names of the masters of the ships and boats.

By K.

April 18. Commission to Andrew Aubrey, mayor of the city of London, William de Thorpe and John de Shirburn to make inquisition in the said city touching the persons who by night put many sacks of wool in a little ship and took them to another ship wherein they were taken to foreign parts, uncocketed, and those in the little ship who assaulted the bailiffs and ministers of the sheriffs of London when those, by order of the sheriffs, would have arrested the said ship and wool, and to certify the king of the names of the evildoers, of the ship and little ship, and their value and to whom they belonged, of the names of the masters and lords thereof and of all persons implicated in the premises.

By C.