it then enjoyed, and innumerable alms and works of piety which of old proceeded from it, as well as of its poverty and miserably depressed estate at the present time; and it is the king's will that John de la Roche shall assist the abbot in the rule of the temporalities with counsels and aid, so that from henceforth the rents and profits of the lands and possessions (saving reasonable sustenance for the abbot and convent and their men) shall be reserved for the discharge of their debts and relief of other defects of the abbey as shall seem best to the abbot and John, by view of some of the more discreet members of the house.

Dec. 6.
Newcastle-upon-Tyne.

The prior and Friars Preachers of Newcastle-upon-Tyne have represented to the king that, whereas they and their predecessors have been wont to have in the past gates on their soil for entering and closing their manse in the said town, in a contention which arose between men of the county of Northumberland and certain of the town at the time when the earl of Surrey, then warden of the march of Scotland, was lodged in the said manse, these gates for no fault of theirs were broken down, and although they, as lawful was, would have replaced their gates and set them up again, some men of the town have hitherto, with little justice, prevented them from doing so, and he out of reverence for God to whose service the said Friars are specially bound, continually celebrating for his good estate, and the souls of his progenitors, has granted licence for them to replace their gates.

By p.s.

Nov. 21.
Newark.

Grant to John Darcy 'le fitz,' in consideration of the good service of John Darcy 'le cosyn' to Edward II, and the present king, and his labours and great anxieties in such service, and of his own acceptable service in staying by the king's side, and in the hope that for such increase of his estate, he will be the more diligent to serve him, of the marriage of Elizabeth, daughter and heir of Nicholas de Menill, tenant in chief.

By p.s.

1342.

Jan. 20.
Morpeth.

Licence for Thomas de Coudray, knight, to enfeoff John de Dagenhale and William atte Hurst of the manor of Padeworth, held in chief, and for them to re-grant the same to him and Joan his wife, in tail male, with remainder to his right heirs. By fine of 100s. Berks.

Jan. 18.
Montrose.

Presentation of Nicholas de Greynesby, to the vicarage of the church of Bradewell, in the diocese of Lincoln, in the king's gift by reason of the temporalities of the priory of Tykford, being in his hands for lawful causes.

Jan. 22.
Montrose.

Pardon to John Feribras of Brehull of his outlawry in the county of Warwick for non-appearance before the justices of the Bench to answer touching a plea of Edmund de Bereford, that he render an account for the time in which he was his bailiff in Bikeniersh, on certificate by Roger Hillary, chief justice, that he has now surrendered to the Flete prison.

1341.

Dec. 25.
Montrose.

Exemption for life of David de Platyke from being put on assizes, juries or recognitions, and from appointment as mayor, sheriff, coroner, escheator or other bailiff or minister of the king, against his will.

By p.s.