May 18. Whereas the king's merchants Tidemann de Lymbergh and John
atte Wold, merchants of Almain, are to have of the contingent in the west Riding, co. York, of 20,000 sacks of the 30,000 sacks of wool
granted to the king in the last year in the Parliament at Westminster,
to be levied in the said year, 100 sacks of old wool after the sort of the county, for export to Flanders, for which they will answer at the exchequer, according to agreement between the king and council and them, and he has accordingly commanded the receivers of such wool to make livery of the 100 sacks, to wit each sack of the weight of 26 stones of 14 pounds each, and whereas he is informed that the greater part of the 100 sacks of wool is still to be levied and those who are assessed for it strive to defer payment of their portions; for the more speedy carrying out of the business he has appointed John de Mounceux, king's serjeant-at-arms, to hasten the collection and delivery of the wool, with full power to arrest and imprison all contrariants.

By K.

In like manner Raymond Guillelmi, king's serjeant-at-arms, is appointed to levy and deliver to the same merchants 50 sacks in the parts of Lyndeseye and 50 sacks in the parts of Kesteven, co. Lincoln.

May 24. Grant to Martin de Ixnyng, king's clerk, of the office of controller
Westminster of the king's works in the palace of Westminster and the Tower of London, for life.

By p.s.

May 18. By charter, Edward II granted to the prior and convent of the
Westminster hospital of St. Mary without Bysshopesgate, London, that they and their successors should be quit of tallages, contributions and aids; and the present king having regard as well to that grant as to the foundation of the hospital for alms and other works of charity, to wit, sheltering poor and infirm persons, who are fed and clothed there until convalescent, and receiving poor women with child, who dwell there at the charges of the hospital until they have brought forth and are purified, and if any such die in child-bed and the child live, supporting the child for seven years, and to the other charges incumbent on the hospital, has pardoned to the prior and convent 5 stones of wool required of them by summons of the exchequer, on account of the wool granted to him in the last Parliament, and all other wool which could be required of them by reason of that grant.

By p.s.

Membrane 3.

May 12. Protection for one year for William de Abberbury, parson of the
Westminster chapel of St. Thomas the Martyr on the bridge of Bed ford, who has not wherewith to repair and maintain unless he obtain help, and men and servants whom he is sending to divers parts of the realm to seek alms for this.

May 13. Licence for Adam de Eglesfeld, clerk, to enfeoff William de Craistok
Westminster of three messuages, 50 acres of land, 9 acres of meadow, and 10 acres of wood, in Craistok, said to be held in chief.

By p.s.

May 16. Notification that Thomas de Colley, lately appointed to the office of
Westminster controller of customs in the port of Kyngeston-upon-Hull, appearing in person before the king in the chancery, has substituted Alan de Upsale for himself, pursuant to a licence subsequently granted to him by letters patent because he stays continually with the king in the office of the buttery.