

1348.

Membrane 4—cont.

April 18.
Westminster.

Pardon, for his good service in foreign parts, to Maurice Fitz Thor earl of Kildare, of the king's suit for all homicides, felonies, robberies trespasses in Ireland, whereof he is appealed, and of any consequent outlawries.

April 16.
Westminster.

Whereas on 19 July, in his third year, the king with the counsel and assent of the prelates and magnates in Parliament revoked a grant previously made to Robert de Poleye, king's yeoman, of the assay of alnage of cloths of worstedes in the city of Norwich and elsewhere in county of Norfolk, which office Robert held by demise of John Pecok, who held the same by grant to him for life by Edward II, and caused letters patent made to the said Robert therein, which he then surrendered, to be cancelled; he is now instantly entreated, as well on behalf of the work of such cloths of worstede as of merchants of the same of the said county by petition shewn in his last Parliament, to accept and ratify the said revocation and with the assent of the same Parliament he has thought good by these presents to accept, ratify and confirm the same, revoking all grants or commissions made by him of the office of the assay of such cloths granting that workers may work and merchants sell such cloths of worsted without assay made thereof from henceforth. By pet. of Pa.

[Cf. *Rolls of Parliament*, II, pp. 204 and 409.]

April 10.
Westminster.

Protection with clause *nolumus*, for one year, for the barons and other men of the town of Romney in consideration of good service done by the barons and other men of the Cinque Ports. By l.

April 18.
Westminster.

Whereas Edward I granted licence for Walter de Langeton, the bishop of Coventry and Lichfield, to build a wall round the close of the cathedral church of Lichfield and crenellate such wall, and the present king at the suit of Roger, now bishop of that place, and the dean and chapter there, shewing that, although after the enclosing of the same they have hitherto held the close at their will, so that no transit through the close of men, carts, wains or horses other than their own has been permitted, except with their licence, nevertheless certain of the town of Lichfield and the vicinage now claim to have a common transit through the close, although the said bishop, Walter, of his own free will for the public benefit caused a new way to be made there leading from Bakenstret by the gate of the close, with bridges over the water there, sufficient for the transit of men, carts, wains and horses, and praying that he would confirm the charter of Edward I, lately commanded John de Swynnerton, escheator in the county of Stafford, to make inquisition whether it would be to the damage of any if he were to grant the petition; and whereas by such inquisition it has been found that it will not be to the damage of any or a nuisance to the town to do this: the king by these presents confirms the charter, so that only the bishop, the dean and chapter, and the ministers of them and the church shall have transit through the close.

By fine of 20s. paid in the hanaper. Stafford.

April 26.
Westminster.

Presentation of John de Hedyndon to the church of Portcraghan, in the diocese of St. Davids, in the king's gift by reason of the priory of Pembroke being in his hands on account of the war with France.

April 8.
Westminster.

Licence for the warden and chaplains of the chantry in the chapel of the Annunciation of St. Mary, Caumpeseye, to acquire in mortmain land and rent, not held in chief, to the value of 10*l.* By p.s.

April 25.
Westminster.

Whereas the king for some sinister information against him lately caused the body of Peter de B.