Membrane 12—cont.

April 18. Whereas P. de Sabaudia has taken his corporal oath and bound himself by his letters to go with the king to the Holy Land, the king promises him as a king consecrated and anointed and binds himself hereby to give him in aid of this pilgrimage from his treasure 10,000 marks at Marseille, and to find him for his passage a ship furnished with victuals and necessaries at the king's cost; and when they arrive in the Holy Land the king will give him 20 destriers. In the meantime, it shall be lawful for the said P. to attend to the affairs of himself and his friends and the king will assist him to maintain his war and further his affairs, as is more fully contained in letters which the said P. has. [Fevreva.]

Remission to Henry de Wengham, king's clerk, and his heirs from every manner of account wherein he was bound for the whole time that he was escheator this side Humber and Trent, and guardian on the king's behalf of the bishopric of Bath and Wells, and of all abbots and priories during voidance, which were in the king's hands and in the keeping of the said Henry, as also of other wardships and bailiwicks which he ever had hitherto, and of all receipts, liberties and expenses, for which he might be bound to render account. Remission also to him and his heirs and all bailiffs substituted by him in the king's service, of all challenges, occasions, plaints and demands which could arise at any time by reason thereof. And the king wills that, when he dies, his heirs and executors shall not be molested or prevented from having free administration of his goods for the execution of his will, on condition that the said Henry acquit his co-escheators at the Exchequer of all receipts received from them whereof they can charge him and whereof he has not yet acquitted them, and that the tallies which the said Henry has of payment, having been made at the Exchequer be split (dividantur) according to the custom of the Exchequer and allowed to the said co-escheators upon their account of escheats and wards.

Mandate in pursuance to the barons of the Exchequer.

Notification that P. de Sabaudia has given the king letters patent dated at London, 14 Kalends May, 1252, promising to go with him in his passage to the Holy Land which the king has fixed for Midsummer, 1256, if he has life and health and the aid which the king has promised him by letters patent.

The king has set his seal to the present writing with the seals of the following: W. bishop of Norwich, J. Mansell, P. Chaceporc, the treasurer, Master William de Kilkeni, the chancellor, and John prior of Neuburc, king's chaplain, and Henry de Wengham. [Fevreca.]

Exemption, for life, of Henry de Dech from being put on assizes, juries or recognitions, and from being made coroner.

April 22. Appointment of John de Sumercote, king's clerk, as warden of the fair of St. Ives.

April 18. Notification that whereas P. de Sabaudia has bound himself to go to the Holy Land with the king, the king has bound himself that for the furtherance of the affairs of the said P. in the meantime he will give him 5500 marks within the next three years, besides the money promised to him by other letters of the king, when he starts his journey with the king. And for the payment of the said 5500 marks the king has assigned to him first of all 1000£. received by the king as a loan for the use of the said Peter from the merchants of Siena and Florence. Also 1000£. to be taken within the said three years from John son of Geoffrey,