1256.

Martin the sacristan, Robert de Leverington and Richard de Novo Mercato, monks of Ely, coming to the king with letters patent of the prior and chapter announcing the death of W. bishop of Ely, have licence to elect a bishop.

Bond to Guy de Lezignan, the king's brother, in 100 marks, in compensation of the arrears of his fee which he says is due to him on account of the keeping of the lands of Henry de Hastynge, which keeping the king has restored to the said Henry.

Protection, with clause, for Master Walter de Exonia, archdeacon of Surrey, going beyond seas by order of the king, for so long as he be there.

Simple protection for two years for the prior of Coventry.

The like, without term, for the prior and monks of the church of St. Mary, Worcester, in which the body of King John was buried.

June(sic)12. Ratification of a lease by Richard de Sifrewast, lord of Clifware, to Matthias Beill of his whole manor of Clifware by Windsor, with all rents, services, customs as well of freemen as of villeins, meadows, feedings, weirs, fisheries and other appurtenances, and the advowson of the church of that manor, and all escheats which may fall in, to hold to him and his heirs and assigns from Martinmas, 41 Henry III, until the quinquaino of Michaelmas and for five years afterwards.

Licence, for life, at the instance of Edward, the king's son, for Nicholas de Coggenho to hunt with his own dogs the hare, fox, the cat and the badger in the forest of the county of Northampton.

Simple protection, without term, for the abbot of Hulton.

Grant, for a fine, to the prior and convent of Middleton that during the next voidance of their abbey upon the cession or death of William de Stoke, their abbot, they shall have the keeping of the abbey and all the issues and profits thereof as well in tallages of their men as in the lands and other things belonging to their abbey, so that no bailiff of the king may meddle therein : saving to the king advowsons of churches belonging to the abbey and wards and escheats falling in during the voidance.

Mandate to the escheator in the county of Dorset to give them full administration of the said keeping, and if he have taken anything to restore it to them.

Exemption, for life, of William Geram from being put on assizes, juries or recognitions, and from being made sheriff, &c.

The like of the following:—

Robert le Botyller, of the county of Leicester.

Robert de Vilers of the county of Sussex, at the instance of Nicholas de Turri.

William Noel, yeoman of Henry de Malo Lacu, at the instance of the said Henry.

Exemption, for life, of Thomas de Mettham from being put on assizes, juries or recognitions, and from being made sheriff, &c,