1256.

The king is sending John son of Bernard, marshal of the king's goshawks of fee, to buy and take at the king's market throughout England, goshawks and sparrowhawks; with mandate to the wardens of the fairs of Boston, Len, Derby and other fairs throughout England and all other bailiffs in whose bailiwicks such are to be found for sale, to admit him and be of aid and counsel to him herein.

Afterwards this letter was renewed by the same words 24 January, 42 Henry III.

Dec. 16. Licence, for life, for James le Sauvage to hunt with his own dogs the hare, the fox, the badger and the cat throughout the forest in the counties of Northampton, Oxford and Wilts.

Exemption of the said James from being put on assizes, juries or recognitions, and from being made coroner, &c.

Exemption, for a fine of 1 mark of gold, of William de Symely of the county of Warwick, who has had a stroke of paralysis, from taking the arms of a knight.

Dec. 18. Licence, for life, for John son of Bernard to hunt with his own dogs the hare, the fox, the badger and the cat throughout the forests of England.

Simple protection for Richard, bishop of Bangor, so long as he be faithful to the king and Edward his son.

Dec. 25. Grant to Sibyl late the wife of Robert de Mares, for the good service of the said Robert, of the wardship of his lands and heir, so long as she remain a widow; on condition that she marry neither herself nor her heir without the king's assent.

Mandate to the sheriff of Kent to give her seisin of the said wardship, and to remove all persons whom he finds in it.

MEMBRANE 15.

Dec. 23. Whereas a covenant has been agreed upon between Edmund de Lacy and William Langespe for a marriage between Henry the firstborn son and heir of Edmund and Margaret the firstborn daughter and heir of William, so that if Henry die before contracting the said marriage, then John the younger son of Edmund shall be married to her; and William has given to Henry certain lands in frank marriage with the said Margaret, and Edmund has given to her certain lands in dower in case she survive Henry; the king ratifies such covenant and grants that if either Edmund or William die before the said children reach a marriageable age, this covenant shall remain valid.

In the margin: And it is commanded to Maud late the wife of the said William to cause the said Margaret to be delivered to the keeping of Edmund to be kept and married, the said William being dead.

Dec. 29. Simple protection, for seven years, for William, abbot of Abendon.

Dec. 26. Grant to Guy de Rupi Forti, to whom the king has committed for life the castle and demesnes of Colecestre, that he may hold a fair for eight days there, to wit, on Whitsunday and the week following yearly, if this be not to the nuisance of neighbouring fairs; on condition that after his death that fair remain to the king and his heirs with the said castles and demesnes.