1257.

Appointment, in the matter of the presentation to W. bishop of Norwich of Master Stephen de Fren's, king's clerk, to the church of Thurston, in the king's presentation by reason of the voidance of the abbey of St. Edmunds, of the said Stephen as the king's proctor before any judges, ordinaries or delegates.

Exemption, for life, at the instance of Matthias de la Mare, of Jordan de Sauseville from being put on assizes, juries or recognitions and from being made coroner, sheriff, escheator, verderer, forester or other bailiff of the king against his will.

Whereas the king lately granted to Robert Walerand, his steward, a suitable marriage of some girl or dame and afterwards such marriages often fell to the king which by permission of the said Robert he gave to others, and especially the marriage of Maud late the wife of William Lungespe, which, after the king had given it to him, the said Robert of his liberality released to the king to the use of his brother Geoffrey de Lezinnan; the king having regard to his patience and liberality in this behalf and his fruitful service to him grants to the said Robert the first marriage of girl or dame that falls in wherewith he will be content and will assign the same to him before all others. And if he marry or die before having been provided for by the king in such marriage, the king grants that Alan de Plokenet, his nephew, shall have that marriage.

Presentation of Master Stephen de Frense to the church of Thurston, void de jure, as is said, and in the king's gift by reason of the voidance of the abbey of St. Edmunds; directed to the bishop of Norwich.

Exemption, for life, of Hervey de Stanhowe from being put on assizes, juries or recognitions, and from being made sheriff, &c.

Protection, for seven years, at the instance of Master Richard de Furnyval, chancellor of Amiens, for Robert Coffin, citizen of Amiens, and all his things and merchandise in the realm; and grant these be quit of all prise, saving the king's due and ancient prise.

The like, at the like instance, for Arnulf Greffyn, citizen of Amiens.

Appointment, during pleasure, of Richard de Wing-ham, king's chaplain, to hold the wardenship of the king's chapel in the castle of Dover, with the relics, ornaments and other things belonging to the chapel.

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Jan. 8. Westminster,

Simple protection, for ten years, for the prior and monks of Bromfeld.

Pardon to Gentilis Gentilis, citizen and merchant of Siena, for the rape of Alice la Franciese; on condition that he stand his trial if any will proceed against him.

Jan. 12. Westminster,

Simple protection, until Michaelmas, for Walter de Wabull going to Santiago.

The like, without term, for Master Roger Luvel of Wyton, king's clerk.

Letters of credence for A. [bishop] elect of Winchester, Peter de Ryvallis and John de Gatesden, whom the king is sending to the king of France to treat and take a day in the making of amends for the breaches of the truce.