1257.

March 23.
Westminster.

Mandate to R. bishop of Coventry and Lichfield, to institute Robert de Rading in the church of Horeburn, the presentation to which the king lately recovered in his court before him against Roger, the late bishop, by reason of the wardship of the land and heir of Baldwin, late earl of Devon, then being in his hands, by assize of darrein presentment taken at Hereford; the king commanded the said Roger before his cession to do this, but his mandate was not fully executed.

March 23.
Westminster.

Exemption, for life, of Alan le Norreys from being put on assizes, juries or recognitions and from being made sheriff &c.

Royal assent to the election of Master Philip, canon of Ardfert, to be bishop of Ardfert, with mandate to D. archbishop of Cashel, to do his part herein.

Presentation of Master Henry de Wengham to the church of Ruham, void by the resignation of Henry de Wengham, and in the king's gift by reason of the voidance of the abbey of St. Edmunds; directed to W. bishop of Norwich.

March 26.
Westminster.

Exemption, for life, at the instance of William, archdeacon of Richmond, of Peter Lovel of Wythinton, co. York, from being put on assizes, juries or recognitions, and from being made sheriff &c.

Simple protection for Stephen le Flemeng so long as he be on the king's service.

Mandate to the barons and bailiffs of the Cinque Ports and the barons and reeves of other ports to permit S. archbishop of York, with his household and goods, to cross the seas, as the king has given him licence to go on pilgrimage to St. Edmund of Pontigny.

Simple protection, for two years, for Henry son of John le Pakere of Sandwich.

March 26.
Westminster.

Confirmation of a lease by Nicholas de Sifrewast son of William de Sifrewast to Nicholas de Chendut and Richard de Brichwalton of the manor of Hampstude at farm from St. Valentine the Martyr, 41 Henry III, until Michaelmas and eight years following.

March 25.
Westminster.

Whereas the convent of the abbey of St. Edmunds, upon news being brought by Simon de Luton, their prior, of the voidance of the abbey by the death of Edmund their abbot, elected an abbot, to whose election the king gave his assent, but who has not yet obtained his benediction because the barony belonging to the abbot is still in the king's hands; the king, out of reverence for the body of St. Edmund resting there, and by reason of the debt on that house, grants to the convent a fine of 100l. the keeping of the said barony from the Annunciation, 41 Henry III, until their abbot elect obtain his benediction or whatever belong to that elect in the said house until he is made abbot in that house, so that no bailiff shall intermeddle in this time with their free administration of the goods belonging to the said barony, saving to the king all the issues received by the guardians of the abbey from its voidance until the said Annunciation, the advowsons of churches and wards and escheats falling in during the voidance, and the guardianship hereafter as the king has been accustomed to have it.

March 25.
Westminster.

Mandate to John Walerand, guardian of the abbey, to give seisin to the convent of the said barony, with the stock of its manors and other things belonging thereto, saving the above mentioned issues.