1259. Membrane 8d—cont.

This letter was handed to William Bonquer to carry with him; and it is duplicated.

May 20. To the pope. The king thanks him for his many graces to the king and Edmund his son touching the realm of Sicily and other things. The peace with France, upon which a great part of the subsidy of the realm of Sicily depended, has received a slight delay, and the king prays that upon this and other matters which W. Bonquer, king's knight and marshal, will lay before him by word of mouth, the pope will shew his wonted grace. [Feodera.]

In like manner it is written to the college (cetui) of cardinals.

To P. cardinal deacon of St. George's in Velabro. The king hears from the said William Bonquer and other envoys that he is promoting the king's interests and thanks him, and begs that, if he can do anything in return the cardinal will signify it. He is sending the said William to the court of Rome on the affairs of the realm of England, the realm of Sicily and other things, and begs him to give credence to the said William.

In like manner is written to the cardinals Albus, John Geytan, Ottobonus, Ottovianus, H. de Seinchier, R. Hanybal. [Feodera.]

Ratification to Peter Scotti, James and their fellows, citizens and merchants of Siena, who owe the king 90 marks of his money assigned to Peter Braunch, knight, deceased, late proctor in the court of Rome, of the payment by them from that money of 20 marks to Anselm de Belentro and Peter le Limousin (Lemovicensis), clerks of the archbishop of Tarentaise and of Master Rostand, papal chaplain, for the expenses of the latter for certain affairs of the king in England; and mandate to them to pay without difficulty the remaining 70 marks to the said archbishop and Rostand for them to pay to Master Jordan and Robert de Baro, the king's proctors in the said court, their fee, and for other things which the king is bound to pay; and the king will acquit them.

May 20. Notification to pope A. that the king has appointed the archbishops of Embrun and Tarentaise, Master Rostand papal subdeacon and chaplain, William Bonquer, king's knight, and Master John Clarel, as his proctor to sue for a legate to be sent to England for the affairs of the realm of Sicily and other affairs in England. And the king will ratify whatever they do.

In like manner is written to the college of cardinals, without the ratifying clause.

These two pairs of letters were handed to William Bonquer.

May 20. To the sheriff of Nottingham. Whereas the king heretofore granted by his charters to S. de Monteforti earl of Leicester and Eleanor, countess of Leicester, the king's sister, 400L a year in divers counties until he should provide for them in land to that value in escheats or king's lands, he has, by the common counsel of the magnates of the council then assisting the king, handed to them and their heirs in part satisfaction of the said 400L the manors of Melburne, Kyngeshawe and Gunthorp, with the soke, in his county of Nottingham, the manors of Dylun, Lugwardyn and Mawerdyn, co. Hereford; the manor of Bere, co. Dorset; and the manors of Redlegh and Munstre-