shall swear on the king's soul that he will observe it. And Edward and others named swear to observe the said award, provided that it be given before Whitsunday. [Quoted in Fexdera, pp. 433-4.]

Dec. 23. Bond to Walter Coxin and his fellows, merchants of Popering, in 24l. 4s. for cloths taken from them to the king's use in the fair of St. Edmunds in the forty-eighth year by Richard de Ewell and Hugh de Turri, buyers of the wardrobe; which the king will pay at the next fair of St. Ives.

The like to the same in 18l. 6s. for cloth taken in the said fair in the forty-seventh year, and the king will pay at the Purification next.

Dec. 18. Commitment to Hamo Lestrange of the manor of Ellesmere with the castle and hundred, which the king formerly committed to Peter de Monti Forti upon his fee which he used to receive at the Exchequer while he was of the king's household (mainagio); to hold to the said Hamo for seventeen years from Christmas in this year, for his fee of 30 marks at the Exchequer: so that he answer at the king's pleasure for the residue of the said farm at the Exchequer. By K. & C.

Writ de intendendo to the tenants of the manor.

Dec. 22. Safe conduct, until Michaelmas, for Reiner Advocatus and his fellows, miners, coming to the king in England to prospect for mines (ad rimandum mineras) and to carry on mining works as the king shall enjoin upon them.

Dec. 21. Restitution of the abbey of St. Albans with all things belonging to it, to Roger de Norton, whose election to be abbot thereof has been confirmed by the pope, with mandate to the tenants to be intendant to him.

Mandate to the prior and convent to deliver the said abbey to him.

Dec. 13. Signification to the pope of the royal assent to the election of William de Marleberg, monk of Evesham, to be abbot of that house.

Commitment to Ellis son of Hervey, brother and chaplain of the hospital of Osprenge, of the said hospital for the maintenance of the poor, for which the hospital is founded; with mandate to the brethren and tenants thereof to be intendant to him as master and warden.

Dec. 24. Grant to Richard, king of the Romans, the king's brother, of the wardship of the lands late of Roger de Munbrai, tenant in chief, with knights' fees, advowsons of churches, dowers when they fall in, escheats, wards, reliefs, and with the marriage of the heirs; saving to Dulcia late the wife of the said Roger, her dower.

Mandate to William de Weilond, escheator on this side Trent, to give him seisin thereof.

The like to William le Latimer, escheator beyond Trent.

Dec. 24. Bond to John Bardun, Peter le Pipe, and their fellows, merchants of Ypres, in 285l. 6s. 9d. for cloths taken from to the king's use by Richard de Ewell and Hugh de Turri, buyers of the wardrobe, at the fair of St. Edmunds, in the forty-eighth year, which money the king will pay three weeks after Easter next.