

1378.

Membrane 7—cont.

the late king's ears, he appointed certain clerks his commissaries to confirm the said graces, if they found them duly made, and to examine into and determine the dissensions. The agreement made was to the effect that all the graces exhibited in the convocation at that date by Master William de Kekisby and Master Thomas Swyndon should hold good perpetually without impugment of the regents or non-regents, and was in the presence of very many of the *periti* of the University recited and published, a public instrument being thereupon made, sealed by the chancellor and dean of the University. [*Fadera.*]

1377.

Aug. 10.
Westminster.

Grant for life to John Brancestre, knight, for his long good service to the late king and on account of his poverty and old age, of 10*l.* a year out of the issues of the lordship of Coventre. By p.s.

*Memorandum that he has surrendered the letters patent from Edward late prince of Aquitaine, confirmed by the king that now is, granting to him 20*l.* a year for life out of the said lordship.*

MEMBRANE 6.

Dec. 12.
Westminster.

Pardon to John Polmond, sometime mayor of Southampton, for trespasses in forestalling, &c., as hereinafter described. By inquisition taken before the late king it was presented that although from time immemorial aliens and natives could freely come by sea with vessels with victuals and merchandise to a port at Fareham, and there sell the same without paying customs, yet that one John Chaundeler, of Southampton, by order of the said John the mayor, Thomas Bygard, the custoner, and William Malmeshull, a bailiff, of Southampton, came to Fareham on the Tuesday after St. Barnabas, forcibly entered a ship of Selus called *la Michel*, laden with salt, another of Fowy laden with salt fish and wine, and other ships in that port, took divers distresses therefrom under the name of custom where none was due, to the great damage of Fareham and the commonalty of the county of Southampton; also that the next year the said John Polmond, when mayor, sold at Southampton forty tuns of wine, wholesale and retail, of the price of 100*s.* a tun; also that he and William Bacon, Ralph Taillour, Nicholas Langstok, Richard Meye, John Bechefont, Nicholas Shirewod, William Olfrend, John Flete, Thomas Haywode, William Bole and Thomas Gernet, merchants of Southampton, in the 50th and 51st years of the late king's reign, and for the past four years, forestalled by covin divers victuals and merchandise coming to Southampton to the sum of 200*l.*, making singular profit thereby. By p.s.

The like to William Bacon, mayor in the year 50 Edward III., for those trespasses, including the sale of 20 tuns of wine of the price of 6*l.* a tun.

Dec. 12.
Westminster.

The like to John Flete, merchant of Southampton, for forestalling.

By p.s.

The like to the following:—

William Bole.

William Olfrend.

Nicholas Langstok.

Thomas Haywode.

Richard Meye.

Dec. 12.
Westminster.

Grant to the mayor, bailiffs and commonalty of Plymmuth of murage for six years, upon their petition, they having already granted, for the purpose of fortifying their said town, a fourth part of all rents of their tenements for three years.

By the Great Council.