

eiusdem, and the said Rector *investivit per fustem* the said Archipresbyter of Benevento in the name of the said Matthew, and the said priest Robert in the name of the said dean, for the said third parts, and *in corporalem possessionem induxit*, on the condition that Matthew and the dean contribute to all expenses of the church which may occur in the same proportion as they share in its profits.

V

1296, 13 February, Indiction IX. At Naples, in the room of the Papal Legate.

Archivio Storico Provinciale, Benevento, Pergamene di Santa Sofia, vol. x, n. 28.

In Dei nomine amen. Record of an agreement made between *Jacquintus* Abbot of the monastery of Santa Sofia at Benevento on behalf of the said monastery on the one hand, *et nobilis vir Americus de Sus miles senior nomine Americi junioris filii sui et eius uxoris ex altera, super omnibus litibus, controversiis seu questionibus que existuntur seu verti sperantur inter eosdem Abbatem et dominum Americum juniorem nomine sue uxoris occasione cuiusdam territorii siti infra fines castri Tori quod ad dictum monasterium dicitur pertinere et infra fines casalis Sancte Marie in Ranula Beneventani diocesis, et super eodem territorio ac generaliter super omnibus et singulis questionibus litibus controversiis et discordiis que inter dictas partes sunt vel esse possunt quocunque modo vel ex quacunque causa.* Both parties agree to abide by the decision of Landulf Brancaccio, Cardinal of Sant'Angelo and Legate of the Holy See,¹²⁹ on the pain of a fine of fifty ounces, half to be paid to the *curia* and half to the injured party. The agreement was made at Naples in the room of the Papal Legate and this public instrument drawn up by *Johannes de Cusencia sacrosancte Romane Ecclesie publicus auctoritate notarius*, in the presence of *dominus Ticius archipresbiter de Colle, domini Pape capellanus, Magister Christoforus canonicus Thelesim, dominus Guilielmus Alamannus miles, dominus Johannes de Ursone Iuris Civilis profexor, Magister Pandulfus Guindacius de Neapoli, dominus Andreas Acconzaiocus Iuris Civilis profexor*, and also of brother *Henricus Abbas monasterii Sancte Marie Montisviridis*.¹³⁰

VI

1297, 15 November, Indiction X. At Palma.

Archivio di Santa Maria di Montevergine, vol. xcvi, n. 2.

In nomine, etc. *Nos Egidius de Monstarola miles dominus Palme et Terre Boiani* wishing to help the needy, and having chosen for this purpose the monastery of Montevergine in the diocese of Avellino, make over to it some goods for the maintenance of the poor. Therefore in the presence of the witnesses named below *pro salute anime nostre et progenitorum nostrorum infrascriptas terras et possessiones nostras cum iuribus et pertinentiis earumdem francas et liberas et ab omni prorsus onere servitutis exemptas, iam dicto Monasterio pro elemosia in*

¹²⁹ Landulf Brancaccio, created Cardinal deacon of Sant'Angelo by Celestine V in September 1294, sent as legate to Apulia and later to England.

¹³⁰ Santa Maria de Monteverde, a Benedictine house in the County of Molise.

perpetuum donamus et donando concedimus nichil nobis in eis vel nostris successoribus reservantes. He and his heirs (it goes on), will defend its possession on pain of fifty gold ounces. The four pieces of land granted are named: one in the neighbourhood of Palma in the place called *Starcia clusa*, one where it is called *ad Agellum*, one where it is called *ad Archi* and one where it is called *Gurgonaldum*; the boundaries of all four are given.

This public instrument written by *Jordanus de Milo* notary public of Nola and Palma, *sigillo pendente prefati domini Egidii*, and signed by three witnesses:

Rao terre Palme Iudex
dopnus Manuel de Palma
Iudex Rogerius

Four who cannot write make the sign of the cross:

dominus Guoffredus de Vernolio gallicus
Rogerus Summensis
Johannes de Lebor.
Gratianus Barbutus de Palma.

There is no seal attached today.

VII

1299, 2^d June, Indiction XII. At Naples.

Archivio di Santa Maria di Montevergine, vol. xcvi, n. 3.

Royal letter of Charles II confirming the grant to Montevergine made by *Egidius de Mustarola miles dilectus familiaris et fidelis noster, dummodo feudale servitium per eundem Egidium pro predicto castro suo Palme Curie debitum nullatenus miniatur.* The lands are detailed, being those mentioned in Giles' grant of 15 November 1297 (see Document VI above). By Bartholomew of Capua.

VIII

1301, 15 April, Indiction XIV. At Palma.

Archivio di Santa Maria di Montevergine, vol. xcvi, n. 4.

In nomine, etc. Nos Egidius de Mustarola miles dominus Terre Palme wishing to help the needy, etc. (as in Document VI) *pro salute anime mee et progenitorum meorum et ut divina officia in cappella constructa per nos in dicto monasterio celebrentur, infrascriptas terras et possessiones nostras cum iuribus et pertinentiis eorundem, francas et liberas ab omni prorsus honore servitutis exemptas, nec non et infrascripta iura domini et proprietatis quod vel que habemus in subscriptis terris quas subscripti homines tenent a nobis ad pastinandum et subscriptos census pannuarii et gallinarum annuatim nobis dare et reddere tenentur, iam dicto monasterio pro elemosina in perpetuum donamus et donando concedimus nichil nobis in eis vel nostris successoribus reservamus*