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In the 13th Century England engaged in aggressive attempts at expansion, especially under King Edward I, the "Hammer of the Scots." Scotland and France had a shared interest in controlling them, and in Paris on the 23rd October 1295, King John Balliol of Scotland and King Philippe le Bel of France signed a treaty for mutual military help against the English. The Alliance wasn't just a military one; it was based on a long-established friendship between the nations, not least founded upon the Scots' love of French wine in general, and Claret in particular.

