SECT. XI.

Vis et Metus how Proponable.

Metus may be proponed, not only by way of exception, but reply, and that against a third party, possessor of the thing extorted, but qui metum intulit, seeing it is actio in rem scripta.

1543. December 7. TENANTS OF COCKBURNSPATH against LORD HOME.

In causa spolii intentati per tenentes de Colbrandspath contra Dominum Home et suum primo-genitum pro cunctis victualibus per ipsos ab iisdem spoliatis, exceptum fuit pro parte reorum quod actores renunciarunt sponte dictam actionem spolii. Sed pars tenentium replicaverunt, Quod metu cadente in constantem virum per reos, eis relat. fecerunt dictam renunciationem. Duplicatum fuit pro Domino et Magistro de Home, Quod metus via exceptionis non esset hic admittendus; sed quod deberunt hunc tenentes agere per viam actionis quod metus causa ad retractandam renunciationem predict. Triplicata fuit, Quod per viam exceptionis vel replicæ metus opponi potest. Domini interlocuti sunt, de metu agere posse via exceptionis vel actionis ad libitum metum possi, juxta jura ff. quod metus causa, et de dolo mali et metus exceptione.

Fol. Dic. v. 1. p. 173, Sinclair, MS. p. 109;

1554. March 18.

OLIPHANT against BOCHTIE.

No 48. The contrary found.

Anent the actione persewed be Sir David Oliphant against the Ladie Bochtie, for holding frae him an yearly annuell annuillziet to him be her husband with her consent; it was alleged be the said Ladie, That the land that paid the said annuell was her conjunct-fee; and, if she consented to the alienation thereof, it was for fear of her lyfe, and therefore she had just cause to with-hold the samen. It was replied be the said Sir David, That the said Lady sould not be heard to propone that exception, per viam exceptionis, sed per viam reductionis, whilk was admitted be the Lords, and the said Lady's exception repelled.

Fol. Dic. v. 1. p. 173. Maitland, MS.

1591. June.

Forbes against Tenants.

No 49. Decided in conformity with No 47. supra.

Formes of Monimusk wairnit certain tenants dwelling upon the lands and baronie of Monimusk, alleging them to be tenants to the Earl of Huntly, to flit and remove. The persewar producit, for his title to instruct his warning, ane retour and service, where he was retoured as nearest air to his father Mr Duncan Forbes in the said lands. It was alleged against the retour, That it