SUBSTITUTE AND CONDITIONAL INSTITUTE.

1609. July 20.

Cousland against Laing.

No. 1.

In an action pursued for a debt of 100 merks, against one Laing, at the instance of Cousland, executrix to umquhile Christian Cousland, the Lords found, That an obligation, purporting payment to be made to the first person therein nominated, and failing of him by decease, to the second person, if the first person survive till the day of payment be past, and decease thereafter, the sum contained in the bond will not pertain to the second person nominated in it.

Fol. Dic. v. 2. p. 395. Haddington MS. No. 1624.

1623. February 22. LEITCH against L. BALNAMOON.

No. 2. Found in conformity with the above.

In an action betwixt Mr. John Leitch and the Laird of Balnamoon, the Lords found, That obligations, wherein the payment is appointed to be made to a second person therein named substitute, in case of decease of the first person, where the first person lives after the term of payment appointed by the bond, pertains to the said first person, notwithstanding of the substitution, and that the same comes under his testament, and pertains to his executors, and that the second person hath no right thereto by virtue of that clause of substitution, albeit the first person should never alter that clause of the bond in his life-time.

Act. Hope et Stuart.

Alt. Nicolson et Nairn.

Clerk, Gibson.

Fol. Dic. v. z. p. 395. Durie, p. 49.

** Haddington reports this case:

Mr. Andrew Leitch lent 2000 merks, for himself and in name of John Leitch, his son, to the Laird of Balnamoon, to be paid to himself, and failing of him by decease, to the said John. Question arose betwixt Balnamoon, assignee to Mr. Andrew Leitch's executor, and to one of his daughters, to whom the sum was left in legacy. The chief part of a contentious disputation being, whether, by Mr. Andrew's decease, the sum fell in his testament to his executors or legatar,

No. 2. or to Mr. John, his son, appointed by the bond to have it after Mr. Andrew's decease? All the Lords found, That Mr. Andrew, in his own life, might have disponed upon the sum, received it, discharged it, assigned it, and that it might have fallen under his escheat, or might have been comprised or arrested for his debt; and therefore, that it was his proper sum, fell in his testament, and belonged to his executor or legatar, and not to his son Mr. John: and declared

his debt; and therefore, that it was his proper sum, fell in his testament, and belonged to his executor or legatar, and not to his son Mr. John; and declared, that they would observe the like manner of decision in all bonds conceived in the like terms, for many causes and respects proponed by the Lords at the reasoning of the cause. Thereafter, the parties submitted, and the Lords agreed them

amicably.

Haddington MS. No. 2781.

1625. January 18.

WATT against Doble.

No. 3. Found the reverse of the above cases.

In an action betwixt Watt and Dobie, for registration of an obligation, made by umquhile Sir Robert Dobie, whereby he was obliged to pay to one Watt a sum of money at a term, and failing of Watt by decease, to pay the same to another person designed in the bond, and to his heirs, with ten for each hundred for the annual-rent thereof, so long as it should be unpaid; which bond being desired to be registrated at the instance of that second person mentioned in the bond, the first person being deceased; the Lords sustained the action at his instance, and found, that the right of the bond, and sum therein contained, pertained to him; albeit it was alleged for the defender, that seeing the first person in the bond lived after the term of payment appointed by the bond, and that the destination of the second person therein contained depended only, and would have taken effect only, in case the first person had died before the term appointed by the bond for payment of the sum, who living thereafter, the right of the sum ought to appertain to his heirs or executors, and not to the alleged second person substituted in the bond, who now pursues: Which allegeance was repelled by the Lords, and the sum found to appertain to the person substituted, as said is.

This decision appears to be directly contrary to the decision in the action betwixt Mr. John Leitch and L. Balnamoon, whereof mention is made 22d February, 1623, No. 2. p. 14845.

Clerk, Scot.

Fol. Dic. v. 2. p. 395. Durie, p. 157.

1634. June 26.

Keith against Innes.

No. 4. Found again the reverse of No. 1. & 2.

The debtor being obliged to pay a sum to his creditor, at the term contained in the bond, and, in case of failzie, to his son, named in the bond; and the father, who was principal creditor, living divers years after the term of payment,