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1628. March 9.

SCOTT against WALL.

No 16.

A Messenger, who had poinded by virtue of letters wrongously raised, is pursued for spuilzie, at least wrongous intromission. The Lords absolved the messenger, if the gear poinded was not still in hands, but delivered to the party.

' Auchinleck, MS. p. 160.

1628. November 21.

WATSON against REID.

No 17.
Poinding of plough goods was sustained, although that day employed, as the labour was over for the season. The party was not allowed to say he was about to fallow,

In a spuilzie, Watson contra Reid of Aikenhead, an exception of poinding was sustained, deduced upon a decreet; decerning the ground to be pointed for an annualrent, wherewith the lands was burdened; and the said decreet was sustained, albeit the heritor of the land, and also that the tenants of the lands, against whom the sentence was given, were all dead the time of the executing of the sentence, by poinding, which was not found to be an impediment to the execution thereof, seeing sentences of that kind are real et afficiunt fundum, and may be lawfully executed against the same, whoever be the heritor of the land, and whosoever be possessor thereof, without any new sentence, so long as the party obtainer of the sentence lives. Also the Lords found, that the tenant's goods may be pointed by the annualrenter for more than was owing to his master by him, and for more than the duty which he pays for the land, notwithstanding of the act of Parliament Ja. III. which was found to have place only where the tenant may be distrest for his master's moveable debts, and not to concern debts and burdens wherewith lands are really affected; for if the master should collude with the tenant, or otherways set the same to him for a small duty, the annualrenter might greatly be prejudged thereby, that he could not poind the tenants goods for more than that small duty; and it was not respected, which was answered, That the annualrenter might comprise the heritable right of the lands, which was more equitable than that the poor tenant, or labourer of the ground, should be distrest therefor; notwithstanding whereof, the poinding was sustained, and here it tended to purge a spuilzie.

Act. Rollock.

Alt. ——.

Clerk, Gibson.

Durie, p. 389.

1628. November 22.

In the foresaid action of Watson against Reid of Aikenhead, mentioned 21st November 1628, it being replied, That the poinding could not be sustained to purge the spuilzie; because the goods libelled were plough goods; and that the pursuer had then other goods poindable, condescended upon, conform to the act of Parliament, James III. anno 1483; and the defender duplying, That,