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though they were in his hands, because his authors being liable for warrandice, ought to be called to defend their own rights. The pursuer answered, The defender might intimate to them the plea. The defender answered, He was not obliged to intimate the plea; but the pursuers to call the authors. In this case, the summons was sustained for his authors' writs, in anno 1659; and now the pursuer insisting for the defender taking a second time to produce, the defender having a review of the said act and interlocutor,

"THE LORDS reponed the defender, and would not sustain the pursuit or act as to the authors' rights uncalled."

Stair, v. 1. p. 73.

1662. July 3.

ALISON KELLO against PAXTON.

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In a process betwirt these parties, an exception having been proponed, the Lords, before answer, ordained the proponer to produce the writs, with certification, that the defence should be held as not proponed. In termino, certification being craved, an incident was produced, because the writs were the proponders authors's writs and in their hands. It was answered, That the incident was not competent, there being no litiscontestation. It was answered, That it was most competent wherever there was a certification, as in acts in reduction and improbation.

"The Lords found the meaning of such acts and certifications to be only, that the parties should produce their own writs, they would make use of, and such of their authors' writs as they had the time of the act, and that the other party might have their oath thereupon if they pleased, and therefore refused the incident."

Stair, v. 1. p. 120.

No 86. Certification extracted found not to terminate a process of

reduction.

1669. November 9. LADY TOWY against CAPTAIN BARCLAY.

The Lady Towy having pursued improbation of a bond of an L. 100,000, alleged granted by the umquhile Laird of Towy to Captain Barclay, and of a disposition of the estate of Towy, alleged made by the tutor of Towy, the day after the Laird of Towy died, at the barns of Towy; which tutor fell heir-male to the Laird, who had only one daughter; the foresaid bond and disposition being produced judicially before by Captain Barclay, thoughnot in this process, he refused now to produce the same, but suffered certification to be granted against it. The question having arisen whether any further process could be in the improbation, in respect that the principal writs were not produced, but copies bearing the tenor, date, and witnesses inserted,