merks, which the said Mr David was owing to the said umquhile Thomas his debtor, and the defender alleged. That be ought to be assoilzied for so much as he had paid of this sum, before the defunct's decease, to some tailors and baxters, for some furnishings made by them to him, at his direction, which direction he offered to prove by the oath of those persons to whom he made payment. THE LORDS found, that the said direction was not probable by the oath of those to whom the said payment was made, albeit the particulars were but small, and the debt was constituted by writ; and if it were to be proved by witnesses, these could not be witnesses to prove for their own advantage. See WITNESS.

Fol. Dic. v. 2. p. 228. Durie, p. 889.

1661. December 12. GORDON against ABERCROMBY.

In a process of ejection the defence being. That the defender entered into void possession, with consent of the pursuer, this consent not being qualified by any pulpable fact was not found probable by witnesses.

Fol. Dic. v. 2. p. 229. Stair.

*** This case is No 364. p. 12220. voce Process.

1662. July 26. MARGARET ROBERTSON against William M'INTOSH.

MARGARET ROBERTSON pursues an ejection against William M'Intosh, who alleged absolvitor, because he offered him to prove, that he had warned the defender's umquhile husband, and that he dying shortly thereafter, he enquired of his wife, if she would continue in the possession, and she declared she would not, but willingly removed. It was replied, Relevat scripto vel juramento; but witnesses cannot be received to prove willingness of removing, being mentis.

THE LORDS considering that the defender alleged no tack nor title in writ, but mere possession, were inclinable to sustain the defence probable, prost de jure; but withall, considering the parties were Highlanders, and had great advantage, whoever had the benefit of probation; therefore they ordained the pursuer to condescend what deeds of violence were done in ejecting her; and both parties to condescend what persons were present at the pursuer's outgoing, and the defender's incoming, being resolved to examine all these before answer, so that there might be no advantage in probation to either party.

Fol. Dic. v. 2. p. 229. Stair, v. 1. p. 137.

No 207 In a process of ejection, an alleged consent to remove allowed to be proved prout de jure.

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