they would sustain the payment not exceeding an aliment, as it uses to be modified to prisoners for debt, which the donatar would be obliged to furnish him, *Fount ainhall, MS*.

1679. December 6. JOHN SINCLAIR against GEORGE DICKSON.

In a reduction upon the act of Parliament 1621, the LORDS found a cousingerman was not a conjunct person, so as to oblige him to prove the onerous cause of his disposition, otherwise than by his own narrative. The LORDS thought an apparent heir of tailzie and provision, by accepting a disposition, may be liable as well as successor titulo lucrativo post contractum debitum, but it was not decided, and it deserves consideration.

Fol. Dic. v. 2. p. 254. Fountainhall, MS.

1680. June 22.

TROTTER against HUME.

ROBERT TROTTER pursues a reduction of a disposition granted by George Hume in favour of umquhile Major Hume, as being in defraud of him a lawful creditor, without a cause onerous; for though it bear, for sums of money paid and undertaken, conform to an inventory, yet non constat that the sums undertaken were paid, or that they were just and resting debts; so that it is not an equivalent cause onerous, till the inventory be produced, and the debts to be instructed to be true debts, and paid by the buyer. It was answered, That the narratives of dispositions need no further instruction, when the buyer is a stranger, and no conjunct or confident person, unless the contrary be proved by writ, or the defender's oath; for it is ordinary for buyers to undertake debts as a part of the price, and to retire the principal bonds to the seller, and never conceive themselves obliged to keep inventories, or instructions, which are sufficiently instructed by the narrative of the disposition; nor are they obliged to debate, whether the debts they paid by the seller's order were due or not, but as they might pay the price to the seller, so they might to any to whom he ordered payment, without inquiring the cause. It was replied, That the inventory and instructions ought at least to be instructed so far as extant, because if the debts undertaken be not paid, the pursuer may arrest, and in the inventory the pursuer's debt may be comprehended.

THE LORDS found the narrative of the disposition of undertaking the debts, did instruct the cause onerous, the buyer not being a conjunct or confident person, and would not oblige the buyer's heirs to produce the inventory, or the instructions thereof, even so far as extant, unless it were offered to be proved thereby, that the pursuer's debts were a part of the price contained in the

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