his deposition, as truly it was, and therefore ordained the suspender yet to depone.

No 416.

Fol. Dic. v. 1. p. 247. Stair, v. 2. p. 121.

1674. February 3.

Ld Strowan against Cameron.

No 417.

An act of a baron-court, bearing, That the party had enacted himself cautioner to present a defender in a process, was found not probative, not being subscribed by the party, though subscribed by the judge and clerk, and a decree founded upon the act was found null.

Fol. Dic. v. 2. p. 249. Stair.

\*\* This case is No 253. p. 7541. voce Jurisdiction.

1678. February 15. GGRDON OF GLENDINNING against MAXWELL.

No 418.

It being objected against an act of Court, bearing a wife's judicial ratification, that it was not subscribed by her the party; answered, By act 83d, Parliament 1481, the act of Court subscribed by the proper officer is a legal proof of the fact. Answered, The intention of that act is not to fix what shall be understood a legal proof of a wife's judicial ratification, but that a judicial ratification shall be effectual in law to bar any challenge upon the head of force or fear. The Lords sustained the objection, and found the act not probative.

Fol. Dic. v. 2. p. 248. Fountainhall. Stair.

\*\* This case is No 353. p. 6144. voce Husband and Wife.

1679. November 20.

MACKAY against MILNE in Aberdeen.

No 419:

THE LORDS reponed one against a decreet fining, because it bore he confessed the fault, and there was no subscribed confession, and he now denied it.

Fol. Dic. v. 2. p. 247. Fountainball, MS.

1682. January 27. Provost of Forfar against William Cuthbert.

No 420.

A DECREET being quarrelled because the probation was a judicial confession, as the decreet asserted, and was not subscribed by the party, and so but the as-

No 420. sertion of the clerk of Forfar, consequently the decreet ought to be turned into a libel;

THE LORDS sustained the decreet on the said probation, the decreet not being for a debt, but having proceeded upon a complaint against the defender for abusing the Provost, adhered to and owned by the defender in face of the Court, as the decreet bore; but the Lords assoilated from that part of the sentence taking away his burgess-ship, and decerned for the L. 40.

Fol. Dic. v. 2. p. 247. Harcarse, (Probation.) No. 782. p. 221.

No 421. 1684. November.

FALCONER against KENNEIR.

In the reduction of a decreet of declarator of extinction of an apprising, upon this ground, That some of the witnesses adduced in the probation were not purged, others had not closed their depositions with the assertive clause, "that it was true," and some had not signed, nor sworn that they could not write; so that in effect the witnesses were *injurati*, though the commission bore they were solemnly sworn, which is but the judge's assertion;

THE LORDS, in respect the decreet was in foro, and extracted several years ago, would not review the probation.

Fol. Dic. v. 2. p. 249. Harcarse, (Decreets.) No 405. p. 109.

\*\* Fountainhall's report of this case is No 46. p. 1766. voce Bona fide Consumption.

No 422,

1686. December -.

Hamilton of Aikenhead against Porterfield of Hapland.

A SHERIFF clerk's assertion, that a person judicially accepted the office of curator, found not sufficient without his (the party's) signing the act of curatory.

Fol. Dic. v. 2. p. 248. Harcarse, (Tutors & Curators.) No 992. p. 280.

\*\*\* Sir P. Home reports this case:

GABRIEL PORTERFIELD of Hapland, having pursued James Hamilton of Aikenhead, as curator to the deceased Alexander Porterfield his brother, for the price of his brother's stock and plenishing, sold by Aikenhead to the Laird of Ralstoun, and for instructing that Aikenhead was a curator, produced an extract of the act of curatory out of the Commissary Court books of Glasgow, bearing, that the said Alexander Porterfield, the pursuer's brother, did compear, and elect Aikenhead one of the curators, and that he did compear and