No. 187. the summons; but allowed some time to the pursuer to purge, and find caution.

Harcarse, No. 1026. p. 292.

- * * Sir P. Home's report of this case is No. 64. p. 7234. voce Irritancy, and No. 288. p. 6076. voce Husband and Wife.
- *** In November, 1683, the Lords found the like between Sir Andrew Dick and Mr. John Burdon, (infra.)

Harcarse. Ibidem.

No. 188.

1683. November 30. Mr. John Burdon against Sir Andrew Dick.

In the action of declarator pursued by Mr. John Burdon against Sir Andrew Dick, wherein Burdon concludes, that the back-tack contained in the contract of wadset granted by him to Sir Andrew may be declared null, upon this ground, that Sir Andrew had not made payment of the back-tack duty for three terms; it was alleged by Sir Andrew, That this declarator could not be sustained, there being no irritancy in the back-tack, and that there was no act of Parliament, as in the case of feu-duties, irritating back-tacks. The Lords sustained the declarator, and repelled the defence; but allowed Sir Andrew to purge by payment against Candlemas next.

P. Falconer, No. 72. p. 48.

*** Sir. P Home reports this case:

1684. March.—Mr. John Burdon having pursued a declarator against Sir Andrew Dick, for declaring of a back-tack contained in a contract of wadset of the lands of Craighouse, to be declared null, in respect Sir Andrew had failed in the payment of the back-tack duties, for the space of three terms; answered, That the back-tack could not be declared null, because it did not contain a clause irritant, and the act of Parliament declaring that all feuers not paying their feuduties shall amit and tyne their feus, as if there were a clause irritant in their rights, cannot be extended to back-tacks; acts of Parliament being stricti juris, and not to be extended a casu in casum. The Lords repelled the defence, and sustained the declarator; but allowed Sir Andrew to purge, by payment, betwixt and the next term.

Sir P. Home MS. v. 1. No. 612.

** Fountainhall's report of this case is No. 14. p. 7184. voce IRRITANCY.

1744. July 24. ALEXANDER of Newton against Jackson.

No. 189.

Where a year's rent is due preceding the citation, or even at litiscontestation, it is competent for the master to insist that the tenant pay by-gones, and find