1583. July. Hamilton against Cambuskeith.

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JOHN Hamilton having gotten a contract transferred before the Commissary of Glasgow, against the Laird of Cambuskeith, who was minor and pupil, wherein he was obliged to infeft the pursuer in certain lands, he charges the minor and his tutor for fulfilling of this contract. They suspended upon this reason, that he was minor, et non tenebatur placitare super hareditate, for if he were decerned to infeft the charger conform to the contract privaretur sua hareditate, wherein he was infeft. Answered, The question was not in placito contra minorem, but in executione rei judicata. The Lords found the decreet should be put to execution against the minor, and found the letters orderly proceeded.

Fol. Dic. v. 1. p. 589. Spottiswood, (MINORS AND PUPILS.) p. 211.

*** Colvil reports this case:

JOHN HAMILTON, son to Agnes Stuart, and to the umquhile tutor of Cambuskeith, pursued the Laird of Cambuskeith, minor and pupil, and the Laird of Hesilwood, his tutor pro suo interesse, for the fulfilling of a contract which was transferred to the said pupil, and that by decree of the Commissaries of Glasgow. The tutor, in name of the pupil, obtained suspension, alleging, that he was minor annis et non tenebatur placitare, &c. The cause wherefor he was charged was to infeft the said John into some lands which the pupil's grandfather, and to whom he was heir by lineal progress, was obliged and bound to do the same; and the said pupil was already infeft in the said lands as heir to his grandfather; and so he alleged, if he was decerned to infeft the said pursuer privaretur hæreditate in minori ætate, the which was repugnant directly to the law foresaid. To this was answered, That the present question and pursuit was not in placito contra minorem, but it was in executione rei judicatæ contra minorem, and for the fulfilling of a decree, the which was already transferred in minorem. There were practiks binc inde produced. THE LORDS found by interlocutor, that the decree should take execution contra minorem, and so repelled the reason of the summons.

Colvil, MS. p. 372.

No 39. Found in conformity with the Queen's Advocate against Wemyss, No 32. p. 9089.

1693 January 7. DRUMQUHASIL against CUNNINGHAM.

THE Laird of Drumquhasil pursued his brother, the Priest of Dumbarton, and Cunningham, heir of umquhile John Cunningham of Clanady, to produce a tack of the teinds of the kirk of ———, set by the Abbot of Kilwinning to the said umquhile John Cunningham, and the assignation alleged made to the said Priest, of the date of ———, together with whatsoever other tack

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or tacks set to them or any of them, of the said teinds by the said Abbot, to hear and see the same improven with certification, &c. It was alleged, That no certification could be granted upon the general clause anent whatsomever other tacks; because nothing could be improven for non-production, but that which is called for. Notwithstanding of the which allegeance, the Lords found that the pursuer calling for a particular tack, of a special date and tenor in all substantial points, the desire of his summons was always relevant anent the general clause of all other tacks, because it contained the special designation of the person setter, of the receiver and of the teinds. Farther, it was alleged, That there could be no action given against this defender, Cunningham of Clinglie, because he was minor et non tenebatur placitare. Which allegeance was repelled, because minors have no privilege in improbations, especially cum agitur de facto vel dolo paterno.

Fol. Dic. v. 1. p. 569. Haddington, MS. No 290.

1607. February 5. LORD ELPHINSTON against LORD SALTON.

My Lord Elphinston being pursued by Lord Salton, the Lady Dumbreck Lesly and Alexander Montrare, for production of their infeftments of the lands of Dumbreck, to hear and see them reduced at his instance, as assignee to Towey Barclay; it was alleged for Lesly, That no process could be given against her, because she was neither summoned personally, nor at her dwelling-place, but only by open proclamation, without any such privilege granted by the summons, which allegeance was found relevant, In that same cause the Lords found, that, albeit she was minor, nevertheless tenebatur placitare super bæreditate, because the reason of her reduction was alienation after inhibition. In the which cause, both the buyer and the seller were in mala fide, and so she being convened, seeing dolo predecessoris, could have no delay by her minority; therefore the defender compeared for Alexander Montrare, and alleged. That no certification could be granted against him for non-production of his author Lesly's infeftments; because the Lords had found no process against her. It was answered, That Lesly's father being denuded of his right to the said lands in favour of the said Montrare to be holden of the superior, the evidents went with the land, and it was sufficient to the pursuer to call him that was in tenemento, as well for production of his author's infeftments as his own; and if he produced not, he would get certification against him for non-production of the hail; albeit his author or heirs were not called, no certification could be granted against his evidents; because albeit, by the alienation, the right of these lands was acquired to the buyer, yet the seller being bound in warrandice, would retain his own evidents whereby to defend himself and him to whom he had sold the land, in case any quarrel were moved against the same; and Vol. XXII. 50 R

Minor tenetur placitare, being called for anulling a disposition made to his predecessor after inhibitions, quia predecessor erat in dolo.