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the other to the multurer, which the defenders averred to have been only one lippy for both; the Commissioners for taking the proof having referred to the Lords an objection made for the pursuer to certain witnesses adduced for the defenders, That they were within the prohibited degrees to some of the possessors of the barony, and therefore could not be received as to any of the possessors thereof, the defenders, applied by petition, praying for a direction to the Commissioners to repel the objection to the witnesses, so far as concerned such of the defenders as stood in no relation to the witnesses.

The Lords, on advising this petition, with the answers, "Sustained the objection as to the whole defenders."

In both cases, the objection was considered as indivisible, and that the defenders might as well adduce one another, as adduce a witness within the forbidden degrees to any of them.

Kilkerran, No. 17. p. 603.

1752. December 19. DR. PARK against DALRYMPLE.

Dr. Park brought an action upon the passive titles against Elizabeth Dalrymple, his wife's sister, for medicines furnished to her deceased father, and fees for attending him. He offered proof of the furnishings and visits; and among other witnesses, produced the widow of the deceased.

Objected: That the witness was the pursuer's mother-in-law, and therefore could not be received,

Answered, 1mo, The witness was also the defender's mother; and so, being equally related to both parties, there was no fear of partiality; 2do, She was a necessary witness.

Replied, 1mo, Equal relation to both parties does not take off the objection of relation; 2do, The furnishing of medicines, and visits of a physician, are open and voluntary acts, and are easily proved; therefore the widow was not a necessary witness.

"The Lords sustained the objection."

Act Geo. Brown.

Alt. Boswel.

Clerk, Forbes.

Fac. Coll. No. 48. p. 72.

1755. February 28. BETHIA YULE against Joseph Yule.

John Yule being eighty years of age and a batchelor, lent out two sums upon bonds, taking the securities to himself; and failing himself, to his brother Joseph Yule, his heirs, executors, or assignees.

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A tutor admitted as witness for his pupil.