No 23. found not inferred, altho' the son, after majority, had taken discharges for annualrent not paid by himself.

rent, bearing deduction of the bond by his father as principal, and him as cautioner, and discharging them both; which discharges Sir George himself did receive from John Fairholm, and paid the money. Sir George answered, That the discharges do not bear that he paid the money, but bear that the same was paid by the principal debtor; and his receiving of a discharge, not having paid, cannot import his homologation or acknowledgment of the bond; for, to prevent question and trouble, one may take discharge of what he denies to be due, and the bond being then standing unreduced, he may well accept a discharge, not knowing the event of the relevancy, or probation of his minority.

THE LORDS repelled the defence, and found that the discharges imported no homologation, unless it were instructed that Sir George, out of his own money paid the annualrent.

Stair, v. 1. p. 524.

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Dr Balfour and His Spouse against Mr William Wood.

No 24. A father inlaw, who was tutor to his daughter-inlaw, gave discharges of annualrent as tutor, in prejudice of his own rights jure mariti. This having been done by mistake, was found no homologation of the pupil's right to the annualrent.

UMQUHILE Mr James Wood having been tutor to his wife's daughter, she being now married to Dr Balfour, they pursue Mr William Wood, as representing his father, for a tutor accompt; in which accompt, the auditors reported these points: 1mo, The pursuer insisted for the whole sums bearing annual-rent, whereof no part belongs to the wife as relict, she being excluded by the act of Parliament. The defender answered, That he opponed the testament and confirmation unreduced, whereby there is a tripartite division of the whole sums, and the relict has one third which belonged to the defunct tutor, her husband, jure mariti.

THE LORDS repelled this allegeance, and found that the error of the confirmation was corrigible without reduction.

2do, The defender alleged that he was not comptable for the annualrent of one of the sums acclaimed; because, by the bond, it was provided in liferent to the relict, whereto his father had right, jure mariti. It was answered, That the tutor had given several discharges of that annualrent as tutor, and not as husband, and so had homologated and acknowledged the pupil's right to the annualrent. It was answered, That the discharge was so granted by error and mistake, et falsa designatio non obest ubi constat de re, and offered to prove by the bond that the wife was liferenter.

Which the Lords found relevant.

Stair, v. 1. p. 661.