

1684. *November 12.* PATRICK INGLIS of EASTBARNs *against* His CREDITORS.

MR Patrick Inglis of Eastbarns gives in a general bill of suspension against his Creditors, upon this ground, That, they being in possession of all his estate, they ought not to have both personal and real execution, especially Cramond, or such creditors as had signed his *supersedere*. ALLEGED for Mr John Inglis of Cramond,—That any discharge of personal execution he had given him ten years ago, was conditional, and bearing this express narrative, That it was upon the hopes and expectation of his discovering to them the readiest means for their payment, and to maintain and assist them in the possession; *ita est*, it is offered to be proven by his oath, that he concurred and joined with James M'Lurg, and the other creditors, and, in the end of June 1677, got Mr John dispossessed. *2do*, Offered also to prove by his oath, That Cramond signed that protection conditionally, If all the creditors should likewise consent to the same; which many of them did not. ANSWERED,—That the maxim, *causa data causa non secuta cessat obligatio*, holds only *in causa finali*, but not *in causa procatartica et impulsiva*, where it is only a bare motive and inducement, as here the hope and expectation of his assistance was; wherein if he failed, he was ungrateful, but it produced no action to annul the suspension and *supersedere*.

Yet *donatio revocatur ob ingratitude*. And Tiraquellus, *ad regulam illam, Cessante Causa, cessat Effectus*, and Swinburne, &c. make a great difference *inter causam finalem et impulsivam*.

The Lords found both the allegiances made for Cramond relevant to be proven by Mr Patrick's oath, to this effect, that, if he acknowledged them, he ought then to forfeit the benefit of the *supersedere*. Then the other creditors ALLEGED,—That he could not obtain a general suspension against them for securing his person; because they offered to prove, by his oath, that he had a latent hidden estate undiscovered, over and above what they were in possession of.

This the Lords also found relevant; but he shifted to depone thereanent.

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1684. *November 13.* His MAJESTY'S ADVOCATE *against* LORD CARDROSS, &c.

IN the action pursued by his Majesty's Advocate against my Lord Cardross, Murray of Livingston, Sharp of Houston, Mr John Elies of Elieston, and other heritors, lying adjacent to Drumshorlanmoor, for reduction and improbation of their rights;—ALLEGED for them,—I cannot take a term, because my authors are not called. And being desired to condescend, they gave in a list, not only of their immediate and last authors in the lands, but also of their mediate authors, to the warrandice of whose dispositions they were assigned, and who had no right, but were denuded more than 40 years ago.

OBJECTED, *1mo*,—The King was obliged to cite no authors at all; and this was but an unnecessary formality, without any reason. *2do*, The most he could notice, was only the immediate last author, and not the whole authors by progress: who had, it may be, right 100 years ago; and, it may be, are named