by the king's advocate's insisting only ad vindictam publicam; and so he is not bound to consign.

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1695. January 25.—James Scot of Bowhill against Andrew Ker of Littledean, mentioned 6th February 1694. The Lords found the intimation made by Littledean to Bowhill, at Sneip, not sufficient,—Bowhill proving he had not his domicile there, but dwelt with his wife and family then at Kelso: but found his voluntary removing from Littledean's lands at the Whitsunday, by leaving the houses void, and taking off his bestial, probable prout de jure; though some thought it only probable scripto et juramento, as being to take away a written tack. But they also, before answer, allowed Bowhill to prove that his removal was only from one roum to another, for better grazing; that the Lords might see quo animo he removed, whether in obedience to the warning or not.

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1695. January 25. Mr William Carstairs, the King's Chaplain, against Mr John Fraser, Minister at Glencorse.

Croceric reported Mr William Carstairs, the king's chaplain, against Mr John Fraser, minister at Glencorse, about 140 merks, as the prebendary-fee due to an organist of the chapel-royal. Mr William claimed it as part of the emoluments of that chapel, gifted to him by the king. Mr John sought it as annexed to his stipend in 1649.

The possession being unclear, the Lords granted a conjunct probation, to either party, to prove who possessed it before the year 1637,—the bishops being restored, by the Act of Parliament 1662, to all they were in possession of in 1637; and how it has been possessed since the restitution of episcopacy in 1662.

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1695. January 25. MR WILLIAM CRAWFURD of DALEAGLES against The Relict and Children of Lieutenant-General Douglass.

HALCRAIG reported Mr William Crawfurd of Daleagles against the Relict and Children of Lieutenant-general Douglass, for repetition of 2000 merks, paid to him as a fine for church irregularities. The question was, If the Session, or the Commission of Parliament for fines and forfeitures, was competent?

The Lords found it not competent before themselves. Then Alleged,—They claimed it as indebite solutum, from the principles of the common law: but that medium concludendi was not libelled.

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1695. January 29. Straiton of Lauriston against Alexander Arbuthnot of Knox.

This was a reduction of a certification in an improbation, 1mo. Because it