

1673. *December 16.*MARGARET SCRYMGEOUR and Others, *against* ALEXANDER WEDDERBURN of Easter Purie.

In the action of count and reckoning at the said Margaret's instance against Easter Purie, her tutor, they having insisted upon an article craving the tutor to be decerned in the sum of £.1400, or thereby contained in an account and subscribed by the deceased Earl of Dundee, bearing that in case he should be found liable, that he should pay the same to Major Scrymgeour the pursuer's father, for which the tutor had done no diligence; it was alleged that he could not pursue upon that subscribed account, because the particulars thereof were of several sums of money alleged delivered to the Earl's father at York, or given to physicians and surgeons, and for expenses of bringing his corpse here out of York, where he died, for which he had no receipts, and so could not instruct the debt, neither could the same be referred to the Earl's son's oath, who was in Scotland all this time, and knew nothing thereof; and Major Scrymgeour himself, albeit he did survive the death of the Viscount of Dundee, by the space of six years, did never pursue the subscribed ticket. It was replied, that the subscription of that account did bear an acknowledgement of the verity thereof, and these words, "in case he should be found liable," now only adjected because he was heir to his father; but there were heir and executor confirmed, betwixt whom there might be a debate who should be liable, and albeit there were no receipts for verifying the debt, yet the tutor might have referred the same to the Earl's oath. The Lords did find, that the tutor was not liable to pursue on this subscribed account, unless they could instruct that the tutor had sufficient ground of probation for instructing the debt.

Gosford MS. No. 648. p. 378.

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Duty of a
tutor in suing
for debts.

1674. *January 16.*HAMILTON *against* LUNDIE.

William Hamilton of Wishaw having adjudged the lands of Fordel from the heirs of Sir John Brown, pursues a declarator against Andrew Lundie, that a prior apprising of the same lands was satisfied by intromission with the rents of the lands, either by the apprising, or by the said Andrew's intromission, as tutor to Fordel's heir, he being one of three tutors nominated, who are liable *in solidum*, not only for their intromission, but for what they might have intromitted with.

The Lords found that the intromission as tutor, or the omission, could not be determined till the pupil and con-tutors were called; but in regard there was an act of count and reckoning in this process, wherein some progress had been made, they allowed the pursuer to continue this process by a citation against the con-tutors and pupil, that the tutor's accounts might be concluded, and what

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Effect of a
tutor's intro-
mission in a
case of ap-
prising.