That his teind was by law exemed and privileged, and not liable in payment of ministers' stipends, or any other burdens, because he held his lands of the abbacy of Holyrood-house, cum decimis garbalibus inclusis; et decimæ inclusæ were free by law:

Answered, for the minister,—That decimæ garbales inclusæ were only the decimæ minores, the vicarage; and the minister charged for the parsonage.

Replied,—It was a great error to interpret garbales the vicarage; and which was sufficiently confuted from Craig's authority; and Skeen, de Verb. Signif. voce Garba Sagittarum, tells it signifies a sheaf; and in the same sense it is taken by Guillim and other heralds, in their books of heraldry, where they speak of the bearing of gerbes; and herba, in Latin, comprehends corns as well as herbs; and so in the Italian language: and, in our style, parsonage teinds are more frequently expressed by garbales, than either by decimæ rectoriæ or decimæ prædiales majores.

This being reported to the Lords, they found garbales signified parsonage

teinds.

Thereafter it was ANSWERED, for the minister,—That Ewart had been in use of payment forth of these teinds; ergo, they were not exemed; and triennalis possessor non tenetur docere de titulo in beneficialibus.

Replied,—Any such voluntary erroneous payment could not bind him to payment pro futuro, especially where we condescend upon his title that it is invalidus et vitiosus. The last point was taken to interlocutor.

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SIBBALD against RALSTON.

In the case of Sibbald and Ralston, the reason of suspension was, That the bond was discharged. To this it was Answered,—1mo, The discharge related to another sum; and the general clause on the margin, of all other debts or bonds, was most suspicious, and adjected since, with another hand and other ink. 2do, The debtor, by a letter posterior to that discharge, had acknowledged the debt, and craved a time to pay it.

REPLIED,—The discharge was opponed, and the letter was holograph, and

not clear that it meant this debt.

This being reported, the Lords, in respect the marginal note was vitiated, and the letter was posterior to the discharge, found the letters orderly proceeded, notwithstanding of the discharge.

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1679. July 30. Boog against John Muir, Stabler.

In the competition between Boog, and John Muir a stabler, in a removing; Newton refused to sustain seven years' possession, as sufficient to prefer in a removing against an infeftment which was prior in date; but he confessed that seven years' possession was sufficient in an action for mails and duties, (which is a possessory judgment,) against an infeftment prior in date; only found the