1684. February.

FORREST against Scot.

No 34.

Found that an apparent heir of provision might pursue an exhibition ad deliberandum active, and had the benefit of the annus deliberandi when pursued passive.

Fol. Dic. v. 1. p. 467. Harcarse, (Exhibition.) No 488. p. 134.

*** Sir P. Home reports this case:

In an action of exhibition ad deliberandum, at the instance of James Forrest against —— Scot, it being alleged for the defender, That the pursuer being heir of provision, could not pursue an action ad deliberandum, which was only competent to the apparent heir of line, the Lords repelled the defence, and sustained the process ad deliberandum at the instance of the heir of provision.

Sir P. Home, MS. v. 1. No 608.

** See P. Falconer's report of this case, No 5. p. 3984.

1702. December 4.

JANET PITCAIRN against Robert Walwood.

No 35. Poinding of the ground may be pursued intra annum deliberandi.

JANET PITCAIRN, relict of William Walwood of Touch, being infeft in a liferent annuity of 1000 merks per annum, pursues a poinding of the ground against the tenants, and Robert Walwood, now apparent heir to the fiar, her husband; who alleged, No process against him till his annus deliberandi expire. Answered, In pursuits for personal debts a year is allowed to deliberate, but in actions contra fundum, where the ground is principally debtor, and the heir only called pro more, it was never pretended; and at this rate liferenters might be delayed from their jointures a whole year after their husband's death, and the heir might as well plead an annus deliberandi as here; or what if a stranger come to be heritor of the lands craved to be poinded, shall he have a year to deliberate? And there is no charge here to enter heir, and therefore no deliberation; and it was 30 found in real actions, 2d January 1667, Oliphant contra Hamilton, No 6. p 2171. Replied, Quorsum is the heritor called if he may not propone a defence without the hazard of incurring a passive title? and a delarator was not sustained against an apparent heir within his years of deliberation, 26th. June 1667, Dewar against Paterson, No 31. p. 6873., only, that it was in a count and reckoning, and not in a poinding of the ground. The Lords found the annus deliberandi took no place in this case.

Fol. Dic. v. 1. p. 468. Fountainhall, v. 2. p. 163.