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But that, be in this what will, there was still a different consideration in adjudications; for, in apprisings there was a valuation of the subjects as in poindings; whereas, adjudications are led at random, without any regard to the value.

And without further argument it was found, 'That the creditors might, without renouncing their adjudication, or discontinuing their possession, use personal diligence against the debtor.' And accordingly, the Ordinary was authorised 'to pass the bill of horning.'

Nevertheless it must be owned, that as a decision, it is of the less authority, that it proceeded *ex parte*, and came in, it may be said, by surprise before the Court.

Fol. Dic. v. 3. p. 12. Kilkerran, (ADJUDICATION and APPRISING.) No 8. p. 5.

1754. March 9.

SIR LEWIS M'KENZIE of Scatwell, *against* His Majesty's ADVOCATE.

No 19.
Whether interest is due on the penalty in an adjudication.

In the 1705, George Earl of Cromarty became bound to pay 2300 merks to Kenneth M'Kenzie of Scatwell. In the 1723, Scatwell obtained decret, adjudging the estate of Cromarty, for payment of the principal and interest of the sum foresaid, accumulated from the date of the adjudication. The late Earl of Cromarty, heir of the original debtor, was attainted, and his estate vested in the King. Sir Lewis M'Kenzie of Scatwell, having right to the adjudication foresaid, entered his claim for payment of the accumulated sum and interest on it, from the date of the adjudication.

His Majesty's Advocate *objected*: That, by the act 20 Geo. II. cap. 41. it is provided, 'That no decree in favour of any claimant, or debenture, or certificate to be issued thereupon, shall be made for any sum or sums, on account of penalties, for failure of payment at the day it became due, or for any other penalties whatsoever.' And he *contended*, That the accumulating of capital and interest may not be stipulated in an original obligation; but is indeed a legal penalty inflicted for the non-payment of the capital and interest; and that therefore the claim, in so far as it is for such penalty, ought to be dismissed.

Answered for the claimant: He who fails to make payment of the interest of money borrowed, ought, by a bond of corroboration, to convert both capital and interest into one capital sum bearing interest; this, on his neglect, the law effectuates by a decret of adjudication. And neither can the former accumulation, which is by the deed of the party, nor the latter, which is from the operation of the law, be, in any propriety of speech, termed a *penalty*: As a bond of corro-

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oration would not, on the forfeiture of the grantor, be restricted; so neither ought an adjudication to be restricted to the original capital and simple interest.

'THE LORDS sustained the claim.'*

A. & Lockhart.

Alt. The Crown Lawyers.

Clerk, Justice.

Fol. Dic. v. 3. p. 11. Fac. Col. No 107. p. 158.

Dalrymple.

No 19.

Is interest on an accumulated sum, being in so far interest upon interest, of the nature of a penalty?

1760. December 11. WADES, against The HEIR of MARSHAL WADE.

MARSHAL WADE, upon the 5th of May 1747, executed at London a deed in the Scots form, by which he disposed to George and John Wades, his natural sons, 'all and whatsoever debts and sums of money, real or personal, resting or due to him by any person or persons in Scotland, by bond, bill, account, or any other manner of way.' A particular clause was afterwards subjoined, by which he bound his heirs and successors, to subscribe and deliver to his said sons equally betwixt them, valid and ample dispositions and assignations of the whole premises, containing procuratories of resignation, precept of sasine, and all other necessary clauses.

The only subjects which belonged to Marshal Wade in Scotland, at the time of his death, were certain tack-duties due by the York-buildings company, some of them secured by adjudications, in the following manner: Sir Alexander Murray of Stanhope, granted a lease of his mines in Tweeddale and Argyleshire, to the Duke of Norfolk, Marshal Wade, and others, for thirty years, commencing 25th March 1725. These partners granted a sub-tack to the York-buildings company, for payment of the tack-duty to Sir Alexander Murray, and an additional sum of L. 3600 Sterling yearly. For security of this additional sum, the company did invest the Duke of Norfolk and his partners in their estates in Scotland, for payment of an annuity of L. 3600 Sterling, equivalent to the tack-duty.

The York-buildings company having failed in payment of these tack-duties, the partners used inhibition against them; and in the years 1732, 1736, 1738, and 1746, deduced different adjudications of the company's estates, for payment

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Sums secured by adjudication, carried by a general clause of all debts and sums of money.

* This case was appealed, a circumstance mentioned inaccurately in the Faculty Collections, and entirely omitted in the Folio Dictionary.—The Lord Dun, Ordinary, had rejected the claim, principally on account of alleged precedents. A petition, against this interlocutor, was refused. A second petition was presented, arguing, that the precedent, chiefly insisted on, was not in point. THE LORDS altered the Lord Ordinary's interlocutor, and their own, and sustained the claim.—But the following was the judgment of the House of Lords:

'It is ordered and adjudged, That the said interlocutor of the 9th March 1754, complained of, in the said appeal, be, and the same is hereby reversed; and that the interlocutor of the Lord Ordinary, of the 7th March 1753, and the said interlocutor of the Lords of Session, of the 10th of July following, adhering thereto, be and the same are hereby affirmed.'

Journals of the House of Lords, 25th March 1756.

Mar. 7. 1753.

July 10. 1753.

Mar. 9. 1754.