for love and favour, without relation to the 4000 merks provided by the contract of marriage, which is now in question. 2do. That the intention of the disponer was to settle his succession amongst his children, and other successors after them. 3tio. That it was for sums of money received, or granted to have been received, by the father. And so it was desired that the said disposition might be produced. Whereunto it was answered for the disposition, That it was not Kinnaber's evident; and, as to the reason of love and favour, the father might have secured [him] for that same cause in the 4000 merks controverted, by giving him his estate by that disposition, and the providing thereby for his succession; in case his son of the first marriage had heirs-male of his body, the said Gideon's second son, to whom the disposition was made, was to get 12,000 merks, the triple of the sum controverted; and as to the grant of sums recovered by the father, it is but cast to, dicis causa, since the receiver of the disposition was scarce past pupillarity, and had no adventitious goods or money to give out; but the father might well acknowledge money received by him, who was debtor in the said 4000 merks. And, in respect of this duply or quadruply, the Lords stood by their former interlocutor, and assoilvied Kinnaber.

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## 1650. January 4. WILLIAM WATSONE against THOMAS and ALEXANDER HALIBURNTONES.

In the action by William Watsone, factor for Robert Rinde, against Thomas and Alexander Haliburntones, as intromitters with the goods and gear of umquhile Andrew Brand, debtor to the said Robert;—it was excepted, That there was an executor confirmed to the said Andrew before the intention of the cause. Whereto it was answered, That a creditor [who has] confirmed himself executor, is not such an executor as is to be understood in that maxim of our law; since that confirmation is but of a late beginning, and who confirms commonly but so much as may pay himself, and is answerable for the surplus to any who shall confirm, and so is executor xata to. But it is to be understood of him who is executor, whether by being nominated or surrogated; whose confirmation, before the intention of the cause, does purge the vitiosity of intromission. Which the Lords found relevant.—See page 472.

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## 1650. January 4. MARGARET LIVINGSTOUNE against The TENANTS of LARBER.

In the action, Margaret Livingstoune against the tenants of Larber, called by her for wrongous intromission with the teinds assigned to her by her father, and whose assignation was intimated to them;—it was excepted, That they had made payment, bona fide, to the donatar to her father's escheat, or his assignee, who had obtained decreet against them, and had discharged them upon their depositions; as also, who was ordained to find caution to all parties having interest, in case the tenants become non solvendo: notwithstanding that she objected,