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*Frequentibus argumentis & collationibus latens veritas aperitur, cum  
sub eisdem verbis saepe lateat multiplex intellectus.  
Veritas saepius agitata magis splendet in lucem.*

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# Deo, Patriæ, Tibi.

**S**Extæ Commentariorum sive Relationum mearum parti vix extremam manum addideram (Lector candide) cum, quæ singulos exercuit Angliæ Judices, oborta est controversia, cujus certe similis nunquam fuit ante hunc diem in Aula West, agitata: Unde etiam, dum eorum quæ audieram recens admodum memoria fuit, ea præcipue (prout mos semperque apud me fuit) quæ summarie ex omnibus disputationibus atque argumentis, plurimum ponderis ac momenti, sive autoritates sive rationes ad solvendam quæstionem annotassem, in pro-

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**I***Had no sooner (good Reader) made an End of the sixth Part of my Comentaried or Reports, but the greatest Case that ever was argued in the Hall of Westminster began to come in Question, and afterwards was argued by all the Judges of England. This great Case (for that Memory is infidæ & labilis) while the Matter was recent and fresh in Mind, and almost yet sounding in the Ear, I set down in Writing, out of my short observations which I had taken of the Effect of every Argument, (as my Manner is,*

A 2 *and*

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*and ever hath been) a summary Memorial of the principal Authorities and Reasons of the Resolutions of that Case, for my own private Solace and Instruction. I never thought to have published the same, for that it was not like to give any Direction in like Cases that might happen, (the chiefest End of publishing Reports) it is of its own Nature so like the Phœnix, and so singular and rare in Accident, as the Union of two famous and ancient Kingdoms in Ligeance and Obedience under one great and mighty Monarch. Now when I had ended it for my private Use, I was by Commandment to begin again (a Matter of no small Labour and Difficulty) for the Publick. For certainly, that succinct Method and Collection that will serve for the private Memorial or Repertory, especially of him that knew and*

*prium solamen meum & juvamen (infida enim est labilisque memoria) privatim literis mandavi. Nunquam autem ista quovismodo in publicum proditura putavi, quia (quod primum arbitror & præcipuum quod ex Relationibus edendis percipi potest emolumentum;) non verisimile est hunc casum de aliis in judicando cognitionem informaturum: Nam duo nobilissima simul & antiquissima regna in unam conflari Monarchiam, uno in utrisque florentissimo rege invictissimoque Monarcha dominante, hoc usu infrequens, imò sicut ipse Phœnix unicum & individuum est in specie, cum quo comparari potest socium habens neminem. Tum demum cum tantum, quantum mei solius causa apud memet annotare volui, perfecissem, mandatum mihi fuit, ut de novo (quod non minimi sudoris erat & difficultatis) in usum etiam publicum recolligerem: Nam certe succincta ista & compendiosa*

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sa annotandi methodus, quæ satis est in memoriam colligentis, qui omnia atque singula prout gesta fuerunt audierit & cognoverit, nequaquam sane satis erit in eo scribendi genere, quod & in præsens & futurum seculum est duraturum, & quod Lectores etiam, qui per semetipsum nihil habent præter illud quod ex eo quod conscriptum est addiscant, est edoctrum. Et sicut unda gignit undam, sic labor unus alium tanquam gemellum aliquem videtur esse consecutum: Nam cum hic quem dixi casus, novus esset & inauditus, animum idcirco induxi non inutilem fore, si cum & temet (candide Lector) in quantum possum erudirem, aliis item in ambiguarum quarundam, de terris & tenementis suis (in quibus adhuc graves admodum & inter se pugnantes Jurisperitorum opiniones extiterunt) questionum solutione satisfacerem, alios nonnullos casus usu frequentiores, & dignitate inter cæte-

*heard all, will nothing become a publick Report for the present and all Posterity, or be sufficient to instruct those Readers, who of themselves know nothing, but must be instructed by the Report only in the right Rule and Reason of the Case in Question. And as unda gignit undam, so commonly one labour cometh not alone: This brought on another with it; for seeing this Case was of so rare a Quality, I thought good as well for thine Instruction and Use (good Reader) as for the Repose and Quiet of many, in resolving of Questions and Doubts (wherein there hath been great Diversity of Opinions) concerning their Estates and Possessions, to publish some other that are common in Accident, weighty in Consequent, and yet never resolved or adjudged before: So as it is now verified in this, that which hath been said of old, Labor labori*

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labori laborem addit.

ros nequaquam minores, nunquam antehac dilucide satis judiciis explicatos, in medium proferrem: Ita ut jam ratum sit quod jamdudum apud antiquos in proverbium abiit, *Labor labori laborem addit.*

*With this seventh Work or Part of my Reports (whereunto Almighty God of his Goodness hath in this short Time, amongst many other publick Employments, enabled me) I have out of my Love unto all my dear Countrymen, of what Persuasion in Religion soever they be, thought good to give them all a Caveat or Forewarning in a Case of great Importance, that deeply and dangerously concerns them all in so high a Point, that in the first Degree it is a Præmunire, and in the second High Treason. And yet many Men, without all Fear (by Reason I think they know not the Law) run into the Danger thereof almost every Day. I must confess, that this*

Putavi ego, ex mea in Concives meos charitate, cujuscunque demum conditionis religionisve sint, navandam esse operam, ut non solum hanc septimam Relationum mearum partem (cui colligendæ ac in lucem edendæ Deus in hisce temporum angustiiis, dum in gravioribus Reipublicæ negotiis versatus sum, vires dedit) omnibus ob oculos ponerem, sed ut eosdem etiam adhortarer & præmonerem in quodam non mediocris momenti casu, qui singulos ita necessario eoque modo spectat, ut, si quid in eo peccatum fuerit, in primo gradu sit Poena de *Præmunire*, in secundo læsæ Majestatis culpa, in quo tamen multi (dum Legem, ut mihi videtur, ignorant) temere & inconsulto pene quotidie delinquunt. Mihi certe confitendum

tendum est, eo usque nunc temporis redactum esse hoc seculum, ut quisque pro se sedulo in describendis libellulis faciat, viz. *Quotidie plures, quotidie pejus scribunt.* Et certo certius est si quisquam hominum libros istos (quos ego vidi) nuperrime conscriptos a Roma vel a Romanistis ad nos usque attulerit, aut eos legendo suffragiis patrocinatus fuerit, aut eos item aliis approbando (quod maxime apud auctores in votis est) legendos dederit, in summas, & turbulentissimas periculorum tempestates incidat necessum est: Nam primo cum in hunc modum peccarit poenas dabit per *Præmunire* (quæ sic se habent, adjudicari non esse in Regis protectione; eorum terras & bona omnia in Regis potestatem redigi; & corpora carceri perpetuo damnari): & qui secundo deliquerit læsæ Majestatis grave supplicium incurret. Hi sunt illi libri qui splendidos & imprimis religiosos præ se

*is a writing or scribbling World, Quotidie plures, quotidie pejus scribunt. And sure I am that no Man can either bring over those Books of late written (which I have seen) from Rome or Romanists, or read them, and justify them, or deliver them over to any other with a Liking and Allowance of the same, (as the Author's End and Desire is they should,) but they run into desperate Dangers and Downfalls; for the first Offence is a Præmunire, which is to be adjudged to be out of the King's Protection, to lose all their Lands and Goods, and to suffer perpetual Imprisonment; and they, that offend the second Time therein, incur the heavy Danger of High Treason. These Books have glorious and goodly Titles, which promise Directions for the Conscience, and Remedies for the Soul, but there is mors in olla: They*

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*are like to Apothecaries Boxes, quorum tituli pollicentur remedia, sed pixides ipsæ venena continent, whose Titles promise Remedies, but the Boxes themselves contain Poison. This Forewarning I give out of Conscience and Care of their Safety, that blindfold might fall into so great Danger by their Means whom they so much Reverence. I am not afraid of Gnats that can prick and cannot hurt, nor of Drones that keep a Buzzing, and would but cannot sting.*

ferunt titulos; hi illi sunt qui conscientiis hominum infirmitate laborantibus opem ferre se profitentur; hi sunt illi denique qui miseras & miserandas peccatrices animas in optatum tranquillitatis & salutis portum adducere in se suscipiunt; at mors in olla; quemadmodum plerumque in Pharmacopolarum vasculis videre est, quorum tituli pollicentur remedia, sed pixides ipsæ venena continent. Hisce ego præmonitionibus usus sum e sollicita eorum cura, qui præstigias & imposturas istas (quibus hi, quos tanto prosequuntur amore & reverentia, in summum capitis periculum eos de improvviso ducant) nondum cognorunt. Jam vero, neque culices, qui quasi titillando pungunt paulo, non penetrant, neque fucos istos qui susurrant tantis bombulisque quos edunt maximis, aculeis autem, quibus carent ægrius, nusquam loci belligerare solent, tantillum pertimesco; imo inquam, ut est apud Poetam,

*Non*

*Non metuo pulicis stimulos fucique susurros.*

Nec pili quidem æstimo invidum istum & maledicum, qui, quo fufius venena sua evomeret, libellum quendam, nescio an rudem an inconcinnum magis, sub titulo & nomine *Pricket* in lucem protulit, dicatum Optimo meo Domino & Socero Comiti Excestr. & inscriptum, *Memoriale sive mandatum Furatorum in Assis apud civitatem Nordovicam, 4 die Augusti, 1606.* quem sane contestor non solum me omnino insciente fuisse divulgatum, sed (omissis etiam ipsis potissimis) ne unum quidem sententiolam eo sensu & significatione, prout dicta erat, fuisse enarratam. Jam vero si catastrophæ expectes, ecce (dum perpetuum in me dedecus & infamiam inurere conatus est) quam falsum ejus eum habuit expectatio? Primo enim Lectores illi, juris peritos dico, qui inter legendum, non solum graves & turpes errores

*And little do I esteem an uncharitable and malicious Practice in publishing of an erroneous and ill-spelled Pamphlet, under the Name Pricket, and dedicating it to my singular good Lord and Father-in-Law, the Earl of Exeter, as a Charge given at the Assizes holden at the City of Norwich, 4 August, 1606. which I protest was not only published without my Privity, but (besides the Omision of divers principal Matters) that there is no one Period therein expressed in that Sort and Sense that I delivered it: Wherein it is worthy of Observation how their Expectation (of scandalizing me) was wholly deceived; for behold the Catastrophy. Such of the Readers as were learned in the Laws, finding not only gross Errors and Absurdities*

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*ties on Law, but palpable Mistakings in the very Words of Art, and the whole Context of that rude and ragged Stile, wholly dissonant (the Subject being legal) from a Lawyer's Dialect, concluded, that inimicus & iniquus homo superfeminavit zizania in medio tritici: The other discreet and indifferent Readers, out of Sense and Reason, found out the same Conclusion, both in Respect of the Vanity of the Phrase, and for that I, publishing about the same Time one of my Commentaries, would, if I had intended the Publication of any such Matter, have done it myself, and not to have suffered any of my Works to pass under the Name of Pricket; and so una voce conclamaverunt omnes, that it was a shameful and Shameless Practice, and the Author thereof, to*

& devias opinionum absurditates, sed ipsas etiam voces artisturpiter in alienum sensum usurpatis, & totum denique contextum longissime a Jurisconsultorum (de legibus enim agebatur) usu & consuetudine remotissimum esse, animadvertērunt, continuo hoc in ore habuerunt, *Inimicus & iniquus homo superfeminavit zizania in medio tritici.* Deinde alii quoque cordati & æqui Lectores, dum generis dicendi & phrasıs levitatem serio perpenderunt, suapte sponte in eandem inciderunt opinionem: nam, cum eodum fere tempore Commentarium quendam ipse divulgarem, pro certo statuerunt, si ea animus fuisset divulgandi, memetipsum voluisse, meo proprio nomine, nequaquam nomine *Pricket*, mea propria opera omnibus inspicienda præbuisse: Idcirco quasi una voce conclamaverunt omnes, illud ipsum opus tum natura sua maxime nequam esse & puden-

pu<sup>d</sup>endum, cum ab opi-  
fice ſcelerato & mendaci  
proficiſcatur :

*be a wicked and mali-  
cious Falſary.*

*Circumvertit enim vis & injuria quemque,  
Atque unde exorta eſt in eum plerunque revertit.*

In hiſce, ſicut in aliis  
meis Relationibus, hoc  
mihi præcipue curæ fuit,  
ut (quantum in me penes e-  
rat) obſcuritatem, Am-  
biguitatem, Periclitatio-  
nem, Novitatem &  
Prolixitatem averſarer.  
1. Obſcuritatem, quæ ſa-  
ne haud abſimilis tene-  
brarum eſt, in quibus mi-  
ſere ſolis radiis viduos  
neceſſe eſt huc illuc, ul-  
tro citroque, uſquequa-  
que deviare. 2. Ambigui-  
tatem, in qua non ut ſu-  
pra lucis inopia labora-  
mus, ſed variis meatuum  
anfractibus, & irremeabi-  
libus dubitationum mæ-  
andris ita diſtracti ſumus,  
ut quid ſequendum, quid  
fugiendum ſit, prorsus ig-  
noremus. 3. Periclitatio-  
nem, ne quicquam om-  
nino in medium profer-  
rem, quod quæſtiones  
magis novas & contro-  
verſias ad turbandum,  
quam tranquillitatem &

*In theſe and the  
Reſt of my Reports, I  
have (as much as I  
could) avoided Obſcu-  
rity, Ambiguity, Jeo-  
pardy, Novelty, and  
Prolixity: 1. Obſcuri-  
ty, for that is like  
unto Darkneſs, where-  
in a Man for want  
of Light can hardly  
with all his Indu-  
ſtry diſcern any Way.  
2. Ambiguity, where  
there is Light enough,  
but there be ſo many  
winding and intri-  
cate Ways, as a Man  
for want of Direſtion,  
ſhall be much perplex-  
ed and entangled to  
find out the right  
Way. 3. Jeopardy, ei-  
ther in publiſhing of  
any thing, that might  
rather ſtir up Suits  
and Controverſies in  
this troubleſome World,  
than eſtabliſh Quiet-  
neſs and Repoſe be-  
tween*

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*tween Man and Man, (for a Commentary should not be like unto the winterly Sun, that raiseth up greater and thicker Mists and Foggs, than it is able to disperse,) or in bringing the Reader, by any Means, into the least Question of Peril or Danger at all. 4. Novelty, for I have ever holden all new or private Interpretations, or Opinions, which have no Ground or Warrant out of the Reason or Rule of our Books, or former Precedents, to be dangerous, and not worthy of any Observation: For Periculosum existimo quod bonorum virorum non comprobatur exemplo. 5. Prolixity, for a Report ought to be no longer than the Matter requireth, and as Languor prolixus gravat medicum, ita relatio prolixa gravat lectorem.*

concordiam ad stabilendum hunc fluctuantem hominum statum procreet, (non enim convenit, ut huiusmodi Commentarii illud agant qd' plerumque solent hyberni soles, qui densiores nebulas & fuliginosiores concitant, quam quas eisdem radiorum viribus dispergere valent,) aut quod Lectorem meum vel in primaria erroris & dubitationis limina quoquo modo ducat. 4. Novitatem, eo quod id maxime laborandum arbitror, ut novas quasunque interpretatiunculas & privatas opiniones, (quæ, si ad amussim nostrorum librorum & antiquorum exempla applicentur, nequaquam quadrant) periculosissimas, & studiis nostris indignissimas evitem: Nam periculosum existimo quod bonorum virorum non comprobatur exemplo. 5. Prolixitatem, cum in Relationibus hoc imprimis sit optandum, ut sint adeo compendiario breves prout necessitas ref-  
que

que ipsa ferre potest; sicut enim *languor prolixus gravat medicum, ita Relatio prolixa gravat lectorem.*

Quod casus ille de *Postnatis* reliquis est prolixior, confitendum est, at vero tres, quæ fusionem me fecerunt in eo renuntiando, causæ graviores accesserunt. 1. Quod in Camera Scaccarii casus erat discussus, ad quem quidem discutiendum omnes Angliæ Judices (quemadmodum leges & consuetudines postulant) sigillatim, aperte, & copiose sunt argumentati. 2. Quia non alius fuit usquam casus in Camera Scaccarii quoad quispiam nunc temporis virorum cogitatione potest assequi, quem tot insimul Judices, tamque elaborate pertractarunt: non enim Dominus Cancellarius solum, sed alii etiam quatuordecim Judices in eodem casu vires suas & ingenia limatè exercuerunt. 3. Quia tanta fuit varietas atque copia tam materiæ rationum & argumentorum

*The Case of Postnati, I confess, is longer than any of the Rest, and that for three Causes: First, for that it was an Exchequer-Chamber Case, for deciding whereof all the Judges of England (as the Law doth require) did argue openly, and at large. Secondly, for that never any Case within Man's Memory, was argued by so many Judges in the Exchequer-Chamber, as this was, there having argued the Lord Chancellor and fourteen Judges. Thirdly, for the Variety as well of the important Matter, as of the several Kinds of excellent Learning and Knowledge, delivered in the Arguments of this Case.*

*Finally,*

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ponderib' librata, quam formæ multis excellentium ingeniorum, mirabiliumque artium ornamentis decorata, ut breviter & succincte magis referri non posse videbatur.

*Finally, with these Wishes and Desires I conclude, First, that the studious Reader might indeed receive as great Profit and Delight in Reading this Work, as I did (unless mine own Judgment deceive me) in composing and framing thereof: Secondly, that quoad ejus fieri possit, quamplurima legibus ipsis definantur, quam paucissima vero Judicis arbitrio relinquantur.*

Nunc demum, hoc ulterius tantum votis amplector meis: Primum ut studiosus Lector quantum ego quidem (si non meum me deluserit judicium) in componendis & formatis, tam ille et demum revera legendis hisce Relationibus utilitatem simul & voluptatem exerceat. Deinde ut quæ fieri possit, quamplurima legibus ipsis definantur, quæ paucissima vero Judicis arbitrio relinquantur.

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**J**AMES by the Grace of God of *England, Scotland, France, and Ireland* King, Defender of the Faith, &c. To the Sheriff of *Middlesex*, Greeting: *Robert Calvin*, Gent. hath complained to us, that *Rich. Smith*, and *Nich. Smith* unjustly, and without Judgment, have disseised him of his Freehold in *Haggard*, otherwise *Haggerston*, otherwise *Aggerston*, in the Parish of *St. Leonard* in *Shoreditch*, within 30 Years now last past; and therefore we command you, That if the said *Robert* shall secure you to prosecute his Claim, then that you cause the said Tenement to be reseised of the Chattels, which within it were taken, and the said Tenement with the Chattels, to be in Peace until *Thursday* next after 15 Days of *St. Martin* next coming; and in the mean Time, cause 12 free and legal Men of that Neighbourhood, to see the said Tenement, and the Names of them to be unabbreviated; and summon you them by good Summoners, that they be then before us wherever we be in *England*, ready thereof to make Recognition; and put by Sureties, and safe Pledges, the aforesaid *Richard*, and *Nicholas*, or their Bail, if they cannot be found, that they be then there, to hear the Recognition; and have there the Summoners, the Names of the Pledges, and this Writ. Witness my self at *Westminster*, the 3d Day of *November*, in the Year of our Reign of *England, France, and Ireland* the fifth, and of *Scotland* the one and fortieth.

For 40s. paid in the Hamper;

Kindeſley.

*Middlesex*, ss. **T**HE Affise cometh to Recognize, if *Rich. Smith*, and *Nich. Smith* unjustly and without Judgmt. did disseise *Rob. Calvin*, Gent. of his Freehold in  
B Haggard.

The Count.

Alience plead-  
ed in Bar.

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Joinder.

Continuances.

*Haggard*, otherwise *Haggerston*, otherwise *Aggerston*, in the Parish of *St. Leonard* in *Shoreditch*, within 30 Years now last past: And whereupon, the said *Robert*, who is within the Age of 21 Years, by *John Parkinson*, and *William Parkinson* his Guardians, which the Court of the said King here to this have jointly and severally specially admitted, complainerh; That they disseised him of one Messuage with the Appurtenances, &c. And the said *Richard* and *Nicholas*, by *William Edwards*, their Attorney, come and say, That the said *Robert* ought not to be answered to his Writ aforesaid, because they say, That the said *Robert* is an Alien born, being born the 4th Day of *Novem.* in the Reign of the King that now is, of *Engl. Fr.* and *Irel.* the third, and of *Scotl.* the thirty-ninth. At *Edenbor.* within his Kingdom of *Scotl.* aforesaid, and within the Allegiance of the said Lord the King, of the said Kingdom of *Scotl.* and without the Allegiance of the said Lord the King, of his Kingdom of *England*; and at the Time of the Birth of the said *Robert Calvin*, and long before, and continually afterwards, the aforesaid Kingdom of *Scotland*, by the proper Rights, Laws and Statutes of the same Kingdom, and not by the Rights, Laws or Statutes of this Kingdom of *England*, was and yet is ruled and governed. And this he is ready to aver, and thereupon prayeth Judgment, If the said *Robert*, to his said Writ aforesaid, ought to be answered, &c. And the aforesaid *Robert Calvin* saith, That the aforesaid Plea, by the aforesaid *Richard* and *Nicholas* above pleaded, is insufficient in Law, to Bar him the said *Robert* from having an Answer to his Writ aforesaid; and that the said *Robert*, to the said Plea in Manner and Form aforesaid pleaded, needeth not, nor by the Law of the Land is bound to Answer; and this he is ready to aver, and hereof prayeth Judgment; and that the said *Richard* and *Nicholas* to the aforesaid Writ of the said *Robert* do Answer. And the said *Richard* and *Nicholas*, for as much as they have above alledged sufficient Matter in Law to Bar him the said *Robert* from having an Answer to his said Writ, which they are ready to aver; (which Matter the aforesaid *Robert* doth not gainsay, nor to the same doth in any ways Answer, but the said Averment altogether refuseth to admit) Do as at first demand Judgment, if the aforesaid *Robert* to his said Writ ought to be answered, &c. And because the Court of the Lord the King here, are not yet advised of giving their Judgment of and upon the Premises, Day thereof is given to the Parties aforesaid; before the Lord the King at *Westminster* until *Monday* next, after 8 Days of *St. Hillary*, to hear their Judgment thereof, because the Court of the Lord the King here thereof not yet, &c. And that the Assise aforesaid remain to be taken before the said Lord the King, until the same *Monday* there, &c. And the Sheriff to distrain the Recognitors of the Assise aforesaid: And before to cause a View, &c. At which Day, before the Lord the King at *Westminster*, cometh as well the aforesaid *Rob. Calvin* by his Guardians aforesaid, as the aforesaid *Rich. Smith* and *Nich. Smith* by their Attorney aforesaid, and because the Court of the Lord the King

hereof

hereof giving their Judgment of, and upon the Premises, is not yet advised, Day thereof is given to the Parties aforesaid before the Lord the King at *Westminster*, until *Monday* next after the Morrow of the Assension of our Lord, to hear their Judgment; because the Court of the Lord the King here not yet, &c. And the Assise aforesaid remain further to be taken, until the same *Monday* there, &c. At which Day, before the Lord the King at *Westminster*, come as well the aforesaid *Robert Calvin* by his Guardians aforesaid, as the aforesaid *Richard Smith* and *Nicholas Smith*, by their Attorney aforesaid, &c. And because the Court of the Lord the King here, &c.

THE Question of this Case as to Matter in Law was, whether *Rob. Calvin* the Plaintiff (being born in *Scotland* since the Crown of *England* descended to his Majesty) be an Alien born, and consequently disabled to bring any real or personal (a) Action for any Lands within the Realm of *England*. After this Case had been argued in the Court of the Kings Bench, at the Bar, by the Counsel learned of either Party, the Judges of that Court upon Conference and Consideration of the Weight and Importance thereof, adjourned the same (according to the ancient and ordinary Course and Order of the Law) into the (b) Exchequer-Chamber, to be argued openly there; first by the Counsel learned of either Party, and then by all the Judges of *England*; where afterwards the Case was argued by *Bacon* Solicitor General, on the Part of the Plaintiff, and by *Laur. Hide* for the Defendant; and afterward by *Hobart* Attorney General for the Plaintiff, and by Serjeant *Hutton* for the Defendant; and in *Easter* Term last, the Case was argued by *Heron* puisne Baron of the Exchequer, and *Foster* puisne Judge of the Court of Common Pleas; and on the second Day appointed for this Case, by *Crook* puisne Judge of the King's Bench, and *Altham* Baron of the Exchequer; the third Day by *Snigge* Baron of the Exchequer, and *Williams* one of the Judges of the King's Bench; the fourth Day by *Daniel* one of the Judges of the Court of Common Pleas, and by *Telverton* one of the Judges of King's Bench: And in *Trinity* Term following, by *Warburton* one of the Judges of the Common Pleas, and *Fenner* one of the Judges of the King's Bench; and after by *Walmesley* one of the Judges of the Common Pleas, and *Tanfield* Chief Baron; and at two several Days in the same Term, *Coke* Chief Justice of the Common Pleas, *Fleming* Chief Justice of the King's Bench, and Sir *Thomas Egerton*, Lord *Ellesmere*, Lord Chancellor of *England*, argued the Case (the like Plea in Disability

*Curia admittit  
sane vult.*

(a) 1 Bulst. 134.  
Yelv. 198.  
Owen 45.  
Co. Lit. 129. b.  
1 And. 25.  
Moor 431.  
1 Keb. 266.  
Cr. El. 142, 683.  
Cro. Car. 9.  
4 Inst. 152.  
How this Case  
hath proceeded.  
(b) 2 Bulst. 146.

The Arguments and Objections on the Part of the Defendant.

of Robert Calvin's Person being pleaded *mutatis mutandis* in the Chancery in a Suit there for Evidence concerning Lands of Inheritance, and by the Lord Chancellor adjourned also into the Exchequer-chamber, to the End that one Rule might over-rule both the said Cases.) And first (for that I intend to make as summary a Report as I can) I will at the first set down such Arguments and Objections as were made and drawn out of this short Record against the Plaintiff, by those that argued for the Defendants. It was observed, that in this Plea there were four Nouns, *quatuor nomina*, which were called *nomina operativa*, because from them all the said Arguments and Objections on the Part of the Defendants were drawn; that is to say, 1. *Ligeantia* (which is twice repeated in the Plea, for it is said, *infra ligeantiam domini regis regni sui Scor*, & *extra ligeantiam domini regis regni sui Angl*.) 2. *Regnum* (which also appeareth to be twice mentioned, *viz. regnum Angl*, and *regnum Scor*.) 3. *Leges* (which are twice alledged, *viz. Leges Angl*, and *Leges Scor*, two several and distinct Laws.) 4. *Alienigena* (which is the Conclusion of all, *viz. that Robert Calvin is Alienigena*.)

1. *Ligeantia*. By the first it appeareth, that the Defendants do make two Ligeances, one of *England*, and another of *Scotland*, and from these several Ligeances two Arguments were framed, which briefly may be concluded thus. Whosoever is born *infra ligeantiam*, within the Ligeance of King James of his Kingdom of *Scotland*, is *Alienigena*, an Alien born, as to the Kingdom of *England*: But Robert Calvin was born at *Edenburgh*, within the Ligeance of the King of his Kingdom of *Scotland*; therefore Robert Calvin is *Alienigena*, an Alien born, as to the Kingdom of *England*. 2. Whosoever is born *extra ligeantiam*, out of the Ligeance of King James of his Kingdom of *England*, is an Alien as to the Kingdom of *England*; but the Plaintiff was born out of the Ligeance of the King of his Kingdom of *England*; therefore the Plaintiff is an Alien, &c. Both these Arguments are drawn from the very Words of the Plea, *viz. Quod præd' Robertus est alienigena, natus 5 Novemb. anno regni domini regis nunc Angl' &c. tertio apud Edenburgh infra regnum Scor, ac infra ligeantiam dicti domini regis dicti regni sui Scor, ac extra ligeantiam dicti domini regis regni sui Angl'*.

2. *Regna*. From the several Kingdoms, *viz. regnum Angl' and regnum Scor*, three Arguments were drawn. 1. *Quando (a) duo jura (imo duo regna) concurrunt in una persona, æquum est ac si essent in diversis*: But in the King's Person there concur two distinct and several Kingdoms; therefore it is all one as if they were in divers Persons, and

(a) Ellesmere's  
Polnati 88.  
Postea 14. b.  
4 Co. 118. a.  
Cawly 209.  
Moor 793, 804.

and consequently the Plaintiff is an Alien, as all the *Antenati* are, for that they were born under the Ligeance of another King. 2. Whatsoever is due to the King's several politick Capacities of the several Kingdoms is several and divided; but Ligeance of each Nation is due to the King's several politick Capacities of the several Kingdoms; *Ergo*, The Ligeance of each Nation is several and divided, and consequently the Plaintiff is an Alien, for that they that are born under several Ligeances are Aliens one to another. 3. Where the King hath several Kingdoms by several Titles and Descents; there also are the Ligeances several; but the King hath these two Kingdoms by several Titles and Descents; therefore the Ligeances are several. These three Arguments are collected also from the Words of the Plea before remembered.

3. *Leges*. From the several and distinct Laws of either Kingdom, they did reason thus; 1. Every Subject that is born out of the Extent and Reach of the Laws of *England*, cannot by Judgment of those Laws be a natural Subject to the King, in Respect of his Kingdom of *England*; but the Plaintiff was born at *Edenburgh*, out of the Extent and Reach of the Laws of *England*; therefore the Plaintiff by the Judgment of the Laws of *England* cannot be a natural Subject to the King, as of his Kingdom of *England*. 2. That Subject, that is not at the Time and in the Place of his Birth inheritable to the Laws of *England*, cannot be inheritable or Partaker of the Benefits and Privileges given by the Laws of *England*; but the Plaintiff at the Time, and in the Place of his Birth was not inheritable to the Laws of *England*, (but only to the Laws of *Scotland*;) therefore he is not inheritable or to be Partaker of the Benefits or Privileges of the Laws of *England*. 3. Whatsoever appeareth to be out of the Jurisdiction of the Laws of *England*, cannot be tried by the same Laws; but the Plaintiff's Birth at *Edenburgh* is out of the Jurisdiction of the Laws of *England*; therefore the same cannot be tried by the Laws of *England*. Which three Arguments were drawn from these Words of the Plea, *viz. Quodque tempore natiuitatis præd' Roberti Calvin, ac diu antea, & continue postea, præd' regnum Scot' per jura, leges & statuta ejusdem regni propria, & non per jura, leges, seu statuta hujus regni Angl regular' & gubernat' fuit, & adhuc est.*

4. *Alienigena*. From this Word *Alienigena* they argued thus: Every Subject that is *alien' gentis* (*i. e.*) *alien' ligeant'*, *est alienigena*; but such a one is the Plaintiff; therefore, &c. And to these nine Arguments all that was spoken learnedly and at large by those that argued against the Plaintiff may be reduced.

But it was resolved by the Lord Chancellor and twelve Judges, viz. the two Chief Justices, the Chief Baron, Justice Fenner, Warberton, Telverton, Daniel, Williams, Baron Snig, Baron Altham, Justice Crooke, and Baron Heron, that the Plaintiff was no Alien, and consequently that he ought to be answered in this Assise by the Defendants.

How this Case was argued by the Ld. Chancellor and the Judges.

This Case was as elaborately, substantially, and judicially argued by the Lord Chancellor, and by my Brethren the Judges, as I ever read or heard of any; and so in mine Opinion the Weight and Consequence of the Cause, both *in presenti & perpetuis futuris temporibus* justly deserved; for though it was one of the shortest and least that ever we argued in this Court, yet was it the longest and weightiest that ever was argued in any Court, the shortest in Syllables, and the longest in Substance; the least for the Value (and yet not tending to the Right of that least) but the weightiest for the Consequent, both for the present, and for all Posterity. And therefore it was said, that those that had written *de fossilibus* did observe, that Gold hidden in the Bowels of the Earth, was in Respect of the Mass of the whole Earth, *parvum in magno*; but of this short Plea it might be truly said (which is more strange) that here was *magnum in parvo*. And in the Arguments of those that argued for the Plaintiff I specially noted, That albeit they spake according to their own Heart, yet they spake not out of their own Head and Invention: Wherein they followed the Counsel given in God's Book, *Interroga pristinam generationem* (for out of the old Fields must come the new Corn) *& diligenter investiga patrum memoriam*, and diligently search out the Judgments of our Forefathers, and that for divers Reasons: First on our own Part, *Hesterni enim sumus & ignoramus, & vita nostra sicut umbra super terram*; for we are but of yesterday, (and therefore had need of the Wisdom of those that were before us) and had been ignorant (if we had not received Light and Knowledge from our Forefathers) and our Days upon the Earth are but as a Shadow, in Respect of the old ancient Days and Times past, wherein the Laws have been by the Wisdom of the most excellent Men, in many Successions of Ages, by long and continual Experience (the Trial of Right and Truth) fined and refined, which no one Man (being of so short a Time) albeit he had in his Head the Wisdom of all the Men in the World, in any one Age could ever have effected or attained unto. And therefore it is *optima regula, qua nulla est verior aut firmiter in jure, nemini oportet esse sapientiores legibus*; no Man ought to take

Job. 8. 8.

Co. Lit. 97. b.

take upon him to be wiser than the Laws. Secondly, in Respect of our Forefathers: *Ipsi* (saith the Text) *docebunt te, & loquentur tibi, & ex corde suo proferent eloquia*, they shall teach thee, and tell thee, and shall utter the Words of their Heart, without all Equivocation or mental Reservation; they (I say) that cannot be daunted with Fear of any Power above them, nor be dazzled with the Applause of the popular about them, nor fretted with any Discontentment (the Matter of Opposition and Contradiction) within them, but shall speak the Words of their Heart, without all Affection or Infection whatsoever.

Also in their Arguments of this Cause concerning an Alien, they told no strange Histories, cited no foreign Laws, produced no alien Precedents, and that for two Causes; the one, for that the Laws of *England* are so copious in this Point, as, God willing, by the Report of this Case shall appear; the other, lest their Arguments concerning an Alien born, should become foreign, strange, and an Alien to the State of the Question, which being *questio juris* concerning Freehold and Inheritance in *England*, is only to be decided by the Laws of this Realm. And albeit I concurred with those that adjudged the Plaintiff to be no Alien, yet do I find a mere Stranger in this Case, such a one as the Eye of the Law (our Books and Book-cases) never saw, as the Ears of the Law (our Reporters) never heard of, nor the Mouth of the Law (for *Judex est lex loquens*) the Judges our Forefathers of the Law never tasted: I say, such a one, as the Stomach of the Law, our exquisite and perfect Records of Pleadings, Entries and Judgments (that make equal and true Distribution of all Cases in Question) never digested. In a Word, this little Plea is a great Stranger to the Laws of *England*, as shall manifestly appear by the Resolution of this Case. And now that I have taken upon me to make a Report of their Arguments, I ought to do the same as truly, fully, and sincerely as possibly I can; howbeit, seeing that almost every Judge had in the Course of his Argument a peculiar Method, and I must only hold my self to one, I shall give no just Offence to any, if I challenge that which of Right is due to every Reporter, that is, to reduce the Sum and Effect of all to such a Method, as upon Consideration had of all the Arguments, the Reporter himself thinketh to be fittest and clearest for the right Understanding of the true Reasons and Causes of the Judgment and Resolution of the Case in Question.

The Method  
that the Re-  
porter doth use,

In this Case five Things did fall into Consideration. 1. *Li-* What Things  
*geantia*. 2. *Leges*. 3. *Regna*. 4. *Alienigena*. 5. What did fall into  
legal Inconveniences would ensue on either Side. Consideration  
in this Case.

1. Concerning Ligeance: 1. It was resolved what Ligeance was: 2. How many Kinds of Ligeances there were: 3. Where Ligeance was due: 4. To whom it was due: And lastly, How it was due.

2. For the Laws: 1. That Ligeance or Obedience of the Subject to the Sovereign is due by the Law of Nature: 2. That this Law of Nature is Part of the Laws of *England*: 3. That the Law of Nature was before any judicial or municipal Law in the World: 4. That the Law of Nature is immutable, and cannot be changed.

3. As touching the Kingdoms: How far forth by the Act of Law the Union is already made, and wherein the Kingdoms do yet remain separate and divided.

4. Of *Alienigena*, an Alien born: 1. What an Alien born is in Law: 2. The Division and Diversity of Aliens: 3. Incidents to every Alien. 4. Authorities in Law. 5. Demonstrative Conclusions upon the Premises, that the Plaintiff can be no Alien.

5. Upon due Consideration had of the Consequent of this Case: What Inconveniences legal should follow on either Party.

And these several Parts I will in this Report pursue in such Order as they have been propounded; and 1st de *Ligeantia*.

The 1st general Part, What Ligeance is. (a) Bacon's Discourse of Laws and Government. 2d Part, 10. 46, 47, &c. Co. Lit. 129. a.

1. (a) Ligeance is a true and faithful Obedience of the Subject due to his Sovereign. This Ligeance and Obedience is an Incident inseparable to every Subject; for as soon as he is born he oweth by Birth-right Ligeance and Obedience to his Sovereign. *Ligeantia est vinculum fidei*: and *Ligeantia est quasi legis essentia*. *Ligeantia est Ligamentum, quasi ligatio mentium; quia sicut ligamentum est connexio articulorum & juncturarum*, &c. As the Ligatures or Strings do knit together the Joints of all the Parts of the Body, so doth Ligeance join together the Sovereign and all his Subjects, *quasi uno ligamine*. Glanvil, who wrote in the Reign of H. 2. lib. 9. c. 4. speaking of the Connexion which ought to be between the Lord and Tenant that holdeth by Homage faith, That *mutua debet esse domini & fidelitatis connexio, ita quod quantum debet domino ex homagio, tantum illi debet dominus ex dominio, præter solam reverentiam*, and the Lord (saith he) ought to defend his Tenant. But between the Sovereign and the Subject there is without Comparison a higher and greater Connexion; for as the Subject oweth to the K. his true and faithful Ligeance and Obedience, so the Sovereign is to govern and protect his Subjects,

*regere*

regere & protegere subditos suos; so as between the Sovereign and Subject there is *duplex & reciprocum ligamen*; Note. *quia sicut subditus regi tenetur ad obedientiam, ita rex subdito tenetur ad protectionem: merito igitur ligeantia dicitur a ligando, quia continet in se duplex ligamen.* And therefore it is holden in 20 H. 7. 8. a. that there is a Liege or Ligeance between the King and the Subject. And Fortescue, cap. 13. *Rex (a) ad tutelam legis corporum & bonorum subditorum erectus est.* And in the Acts of Parliament of 10 R. 2. cap. 5. & 11 R. 2. cap. 1. 14 H. 8. cap. 2, &c. Subjects are called Liege People; and in the Acts of Parliament in 34 H. 8. cap. 1. & 35 H. 8. cap. 3, &c. the King is called the Liege Lord of his Subjects. And with this agreeth M. Skeene in his Book *de expositione verborum*, (which Book was cited by one of the Judges which argued against the Plaintiff) Ligeance is the mutual Bond and Obligation between the King and his Subjects, whereby Subjects are called his Liege Subjects, because they are bound to obey and serve him; and he is called their Liege Lord, because he should maintain and defend them. Whereby it appeareth, that in this Point the Law of England and of Scotland is all one. Therefore it is truly said that *protectio trahit subjectionem, & subiectio protectionem.* And hereby it plainly appeareth, that Ligeance doth not begin by the Oath in the Leet; for many Men owe true Ligeance that never were sworn in a Leet, and the Swearing in a Leet maketh no (b) Denization, as the Book is adjudged in 14 H. 4. fol. 19. b. This Word Ligeance is well expressed by divers several Names or *Synonyma* which we find in our Books. Sometime it is called the Obedience or Obeysance of the Subject to the King, *obedientia regi*, 9 E. 4. 7. b. 9 E. 4. 6. (c) 2 R. 3. 2. a. in the Book of Entries, *Ejectione firmi* 7. 14 H. 8. cap. 2. 22 H. 8. cap. 8, &c. Sometime he is called a natural Liege Man that is born under the Power of the King, *sub potestate Regis*, 4 H. 3. (d) Tit. Dower. Vide the Statute of 11 E. 3. c. 2. Sometimes Ligeance is called Faith, *Fides, ad fidem regis*, &c. Bracton, who wrote in the Reign of H. 3. lib. 5. tractat' de exception' cap. 24. fol. 427. *Est etiam alia exceptio quæ competit ex persona querentis, propter defectum nationis, ut si quis alienigena qui fuit ad fidem Regis Franc', &c.* And Fleta (which Book was made in the Reign of E. 1.) agreeth therewith; for l. 6. c. 47. *de except' ex omissione participis*, it is said, *vel dicere potuit, qd' nihil juris clamare poterit tanquam princeps eo qd' est ad fidem Regis Franciæ, quia alienigenæ repelli debent in Angl' ab agendo, donec fuerint ad fidem Reg' Angl'.* Vide 25 E. 3. *de natis ultra mare*, Faith and Ligeance of the King of England; & Litt. l. 2. c. Homage, saving the Faith that I owe to our Sov. Ld. the K. and Glanv. l. 9. c. 1. *Salva fide debita dom' Regi & hæredibus suis.* Sometimes Ligeance is called

(a) Cro. Arg. 64.

(b) Br. Deniz: 11. Poltea 15. b.

(c) Br. Deniz. 8.

(d) 4 Hen. 3. R. 2. Dow. 179. Ellicsmere's Postnati 13, 14. Jenk. Cent. 3.

(e) Lit. Sect 85. Co. Lit. 64. b.

called Ligealty. 22 *Aff. Pl.* 25. By all which it evidently appeareth, that they that are born under the Obedience, Power, Faith, Ligealty, or Ligeance of the King, are natural Subjects, and no Aliens. So, as seeing now it doth appear what Ligeance is, it followeth in Order, that we speak of the severall Kinds of Ligeance. But herein we need to be very wary, for this Caveat the Law giveth, *ubi lex non distinguit nec nos distinguere debemus*; and certainly *lex non disting'*, but where *omnia membra dividenda* are to be found out and proved by the Law itself.

How many  
Kinds of Li-  
geances there  
be.

Co. Lit. 129. a.

*Ligeantia na-  
turalis.*  
Co. Lit. 129. a.

*Ligeantia ac-  
quisita.*  
Co. Lit. 129. a.

2. There is found in the Law 4 Kinds of Ligeances; the first is, *ligeantia naturalis, absoluta, pura, & indefinita*, and this originally is due by Nature and Birth-right, and is called *alta Ligeantia*, and he that oweth this is called *subditus natus*. The second is called *Ligeantia acquisita*, not by Nature but by Acquisition or Denization, being called a Denizen, or rather Donaizon, because he is *subditus datus*. The third is, *Ligeantia localis*, wrought by the Law, and that is when an Alien that is in Amity cometh into *England*, because as long as he is within *Engl.* he is within the King's Protection; therefore so long as he is here, he oweth unto the King a local Obedience or Ligeance, for that the one (as it hath been said) draweth the other. The fourth is a legal Obedience, or Ligeance which is called legal, because the municipal Laws of this Realm have prescribed the Order and Form of it; and this to be done upon Oath at the Torn or Leet. The first, that is, Ligeance natural, &c. appeareth by the said Acts of Parliament, wherein the King is called natural Liege Lord, and his People natural Liege Subjects; this also doth appear in the Indictments of Treason (which of all other Things are the most curiously and certainly indited and penned) for in the Indictment of the Lord Dacre, in 26 *H. 8.* it is said, *præd' Dominus Dacre debitum fidei & ligeant' suæ, qd' præfato domino regi naturaliter & de jure impendere debuit, minime curans, &c.* And Reginald Pool was indicted in 30 *H. 8.* for committing Treason *contra dom' regem supremum & naturalem dominum suum*. And to this End were cited the Indictment of *Edw. Duke of Somerset* in 5 *E. 6.* and many others both of ancient and later Times. But in the Indictment of Treason of *John Derbick* in 2 & 3 *Phil. & Mar.* it is said, *qd' præd' Johannes machinans, &c. prædict' dominum Philippum & dominam Mariam supremos dominos suos*, and omitted (*naturales*) because *K. Philip* was not his natural Liege Lord. And of this Point more shall be said when we speak of local Obedience. The 2d is *Ligeant' acquisita*, or Denization; and this in the Books and Records of the Law appeareth to be threefold: 1. Absolute, as the com. Denizations be, to them and their Heirs,

Heirs, without any Limitation or Restraint: 2. Limited, as when the King doth grant Letters of Denization to an Alien, and to the Heirs (a) Males of his Body, as it appeareth (a) 9 E. 4. 8. in 9 E. 4. fol. 7, 8. in *Baggot's Case*; or to an Alien for Term of his Life, as was granted to *J. Reynel*, 11 H. 6. 3. It may be granted upon (b) Condition, for (c) *cujus est dare, ejus est disponere*, whereof I have seen divers Precedents. And this Denization of an Alien may be effected three Manner of Ways; by Parliament, as it was in 3 H. 6. 55. in *Dower*: By Letters Patents, as the usual Manner is; and by *Conquest*, as if the King and his Subjects should conquer another Kingdom or Dominion, as well *Antenati* as *Postnati*, as well they which fought in the Field, as they which remained at Home, for Defence of their Country, or employed elsewhere, are all Denizens of the Kingdom or Dominion conquered. Of which Point more shall be said hereafter.

3. Concerning the local Obedience it is observable, that as there is a local Protection on the King's Part, so there is a (d) local Ligeance of the Subjects Part. And this appeareth in 4 Mar. Br. 32. (e) 3 & 4 Phil. & Mar. *Dyer* 144. *Sherley* a French Man, being in Amity with the King, came into *England*, and joined with divers Subjects of this Realm in Treason against the King and Queen, and the Indictment concluded (f) *contra ligeant' sue debitum*; for he owed to the King a local Obedience, that is, so long as he was within the King's Protection; which local Obedience being but momentary and uncertain, is yet strong enough to make a natural Subject, for if he hath Issue here, that Issue is (g) a natural born Subject; a *fortiori* he that is born under the natural and absolute Ligeance of the King (which as it hath been said, is *alta Ligeantia*) as the Pl. in the Case in Question was, ought to be a natural born Subject; for *localis ligeantia est ligeantia infima & minima, & maxime incerta*. And it is to be observed, that it is *nec calum, nec solum*, neither the Climate nor the Soil, but *ligeantia* and *obedientia* that make the Subject born; for if Enemies should come into the Realm, and possess a Town or Fort, and have Issue there, that Issue is no Subject to the King of *England*, tho' he be born upon his Soil, and under his Meridian, for that he was not born under the Ligeance of a Subject, nor under the Protection of the King. And concerning this local Obedience, a Precedent was cited in *Hillar*. 36 Eliz. when *Stephano Ferrara de Gama*, and *Emanuel Lewes Tinoco*, two Portugals born, coming into *England* under Queen *Elizabeth's* safe Conduct, and living here under her Protection joined with Doctor *Lopez* in Treason within this

*Ligeantia localis.*

(d) Co. Lit. 129. a.  
(e) B.N.C. 487.

(f) Hob. 271.  
Co. Lit. 129. a.  
Dyer 145. pl. 62.  
Cawly 184.  
3 Inst. 11.

(g) Co. Lit. 8. a.

this Realm against her Majesty; and in this Case 2 Points were resolved by the Judges. First, that their Indictment ought to begin, that they intended Treason *contra dominam reginam, &c.* omitting these Words (*naturalem dominam suam*) and ought to conclude *contra (a) ligeant' sue debitum*. But if an *(b)* alien Enemy come to invade this Realm, and be taken in War, he cannot be indicted of Treason; for the Indictment cannot conclude *contra ligeant' sue debitum*, for he never was in the Protection of the King, nor ever owed any Manner of Ligeance unto him, but Malice and Enmity, and therefore he shall be put to Death by martial Law, And so it was in anno 15 H. 7, in *Perkin Warbeck's* Case, who being an Alien born in *Flanders*, feigned himself to be one of the Sons of *Edward* the fourth, and invaded this Realm with great Power, with an Intent to take upon him the Dignity Royal: But being taken in the War, it was resolved by the Justices, that he could not be punished by the Common Law, but before the Constable and Marshal (who had special Commission under the great Seal to hear and determine the same according to martial Law) he had Sentence to be drawn, hanged, and quartered, which was executed accordingly. And this appeareth in the Book of *Griffith* Attorney General, by an Extract out of the Book of *Hobart*, Attorney General to King H. 7.

*Ligeantia legalis.*

Co. Lit. 68. b.

Co. Lit. 68. b.

4. Now are we to speak of legal Ligeance, which in our Books, viz. 7 E. 2. Tit. *Avowry* 211. 4 E. 3. fol. 42. 13 E. 3. Tit. *Avowry* 120, &c. is called Suit Royal, because that the Ligeance of the Subject is only due unto the King. This Oath of Ligeance appeareth in *Britton*, who wrote in anno 5 E. 1. cap. 29. (and is yet commonly in Use to this Day in every Leet) and in our Books; the Effect whereof is: *You shall swear, that from this Day forward, you shall be true and faithful to our Sovereign Lord King James, and his Heirs, and Truth and Faith shall bear of Life and Member, and terrene Honour, and you shall neither know nor bear of any Ill or Damage intended unto him, that you shall not defend. So help you Almighty God.* The Substance and Effect hereof is as hath been said due by the Law of Nature, *ex institutione naturæ*, as hereafter shall appear: The Form and Addition of the Oath is, *ex provisione hominis*. In this Oath of Ligeance five Things were observed. 1. That for the Time it is indefinite, and without Limit, *from this Day forward*; Secondly, Two excellent Qualities are required, that is to be *true and faithful*; 3. To whom, *to our Sovereign Lord the King and his Heirs*: (And albeit *Britton* doth say, to the King of England, that is spoken *propter excellentiam*, to design the Person, and not

to confine the Ligeance; for a Subject doth not swear his Ligeance to the King, only as King of *England*, and not to him as King of *Scotland*, or of *Ireland*, &c. but generally to the King.) 4. In what Manner; and *Faith and Troth shall bear*, &c. of *Life and Member*, that is, until the Letting out of the last Drop of our dearest Heart's Blood. 5. Where and in what Places ought these Things to be done, in all Places whatsoever; for, *you shall neither know nor bear of any Ill or Damage*, &c. that you shall not defend, &c. so as natural Ligeance is not circumscribed within any Place. It is holden 12 H. 7. 18. b. That he that is sworn in the Leet, is sworn to the King for his Ligeance, that is, to be true and faithful to the King; and if he be once sworn for his Ligeance, he shall not be sworn again during his Life. And all Letters Patents of Denization be, that the Patentee shall behave himself *tanquam verus & fidelis ligeus domini Regis*. And this Oath of Ligeance at the Tourn and Leet was first instituted by King *Arthur*; for so I read, *Intèr leges Sancti Edwardi Regis ante conquestum* 3. cap. 35. *Et quod omnes principes & comites, procures, milites, & liberi homines debent jurare, &c. in Folkemote, & similiter omnes procures regni, & milites & liberi homines universi totius regni Britann' facere debent in pleno Folkemote fidelitatem domino Regi, &c. Hanc legem invenit Arthurus qui quondam fuit inclytissimus Rex Britonum, &c. hujus legis auctoritate expulit Arthurus Rex Saracenos & inimicos a regno, &c. & hujus legis auctoritate Etheldredus Rex uno & eodem die per universum regnum Danos occidit. Vide Lambert inter Leges Regis Edwardi, \* &c. fol. 135 & 136.* Co. Lit. 68. b. 172. b.

By this it appeareth, when and from whom this legal Ligeance had his first Institution within this Realm. *Ligeantia* in the Case in Question is meant and intended of the first Kind of Ligeance; that is, of Ligeance natural, absolute, &c. due by Nature and Birth-right. But if the Plaintiff's Father be made a Denizen, and purchase Lands in *England* to him and his Heirs, and die seised, this Land shall never descend to the Plaintiff, for that the King by his Letters Patents may make a Denizen, but cannot naturalize him to all Purposes, as an Act of Parliament may do; neither can Letters Patents make any inheritable in this Case, that by the Common Law cannot inherit. And herewith agreeth 36 H. 6. Tit. *Denizen* Br. 9. Co. Lit. 8. a.

Homage in our Books is twofold, that is to say, *Homagium Ligeum*, and that is as much as Ligeance, of which *Bracton* speaketh, l. 2. c. 35. f. 79. *Soli Regi debet sine dominio seu servit'*, and Homage is twofold. Co. Lit. 65. b. Vaugh. 279.

Vaugh. 279.

and there is *Homagium feodale*, which hath his Original by Tenure. In *Fit. Nat. Brev.* 269. there is a Writ for Respitting of this later Homage (which is due *ratione feodi sive tenur: Sciatis quod respectuamus homagium nobis de terr' & tenementis quæ tenentur de nobis in capite debit.* But *Homagium ligeum*, i. *Ligeantia*, is inherent and inseparable, and cannot be respited.

Where natural Ligeance is due.

3. Now are we come to (and almost past) the Consideration of this Circumstance, where natural Ligeance should be due: For by that which hath been said, it appeareth, that Ligeance, and Faith and Truth, which are her Members and Parts, are Qualities of the Mind and Soul of Man, and cannot be circumscribed within the Predicament of *ubi*, for that were to confound Predicaments, and to go about to drive (an absurd and impossible Thing) the Predicament of Quality into the Predicament of *ubi*. *Non respondetur ad hanc questionem, ubi est?* to say, *Verus & fidelis subditus est; sed ad hanc questionem, qualis est? Recte & apte respondetur, verus & fidelis ligens, &c. est.* But yet for the greater Illustration of the Matter, this Point was handled by it self, and that Ligeance of the Subject was of as great an Extent and Latitude, as the Royal Power and Protection of the King, & *e converso*. It appeareth by the Stat. of 11 H. 7. cap. 1. and 2 E. 6. cap. 2. that the Subjects of *England* are bound by their Ligeance to go with the King, &c. in his Wars, as well within the Realm, &c. as without. And therefore we daily see, that when either *Ireland*, or any other of his Majesty's Dominions, be infested with Invasion or Insurrection, the King of *England* sendeth his Subjects out of *England*, and his Subjects out of *Scotland* also into *Ireland*, for the Withstanding or Suppressing of the same, to the End his Rebels may feel the Swords of either Nation. And so may his Subjects of *Gernsey*, *Jersey*, *Isle of Man*, &c. be commanded to make their Swords good against either Rebel or Enemy, as Occasion shall be offered; whereas if natural Ligeance of the Subjects of *England* should be local, that is, confined within the Realm of *England* or *Scotland*, &c. then were not they bound to go out of the Continent of the Realm of *England* or *Scotland*, &c. And the Opinion of *Thirninge* in 7 H. 4. Tit. *Protect* 100. is thus to be understood, that an *English* Subject is not compellable to go out of the Realm without Wages, according to the Statutes of 1 E. 3. c. 7. 18 E. 3. c. 8. 18 H. 6. c. 19, &c. 7 H. 7. c. 1. 3 H. 8. c. 5, &c. In ann. 25 E. 1. *Bigot* Earl of *Norfolk* and *Suffolk*, and Earl Marshal of *England*, and *Bobun* Earl of *Hereford* and High Constable of *England*, did exhibit a Petition to the King in *French* (which I have seen antiently recorded) on the

2 Inst. 47, 48, 528.

2 Inst. 528.

Mayn'd's E. 2. fo.

the Behalf of the Commons of *England*, concerning how and in what Sort they were to be employed in his Majesty's Wars out of the Realm of *England*; and the Record saith, that, *post multas & varias altercationes*, it was resolved, <sup>2 Inst. 528.</sup> they ought to go but in such Manner and Form as after was declared by the said Statutes, which seem to be but declarative of the Common Law. And this doth plentifully and manifestly appear in our Books, being truly and rightly understood. In <sup>3 H. 6. Tit. Protection 2.</sup> one had the Benefit of a Protection, for that he was sent into the King's Wars *in comitiva* of the Protector; and it appeareth by the Record, and by the Chronicles also, that this Employment was into *France*; the greatest Part thereof then being under the King's actual Obedience, so as the Subjects of *England* were employed into *France* for the Defence and Safety thereof: In which Case it was observed, that seeing the Protector, who was *Prorex*, went, the same was adjudged a Voyage Royal, <sup>8 H. 6. fol. 16. b.</sup> the Lord *Talbot* went with a Company of *Englismen* into *France*, then also being for the greatest Part under the actual Obedience of the King, who had the Benefit of their Protections allowed unto them. And here were observed the Words of the Writ in the Register, <sup>fol. 88.</sup> where it appeareth that Men were employed in the King's Wars out of the Realm *per preceptum nostrum*, and the usual Words of the Writ of Protection be *in obsequio nostro*. \* <sup>32 H. 6. fol. 4. a.</sup> it appeareth, that *Englismen* were pressed into *Guyan*, <sup>† 44 E. 3. 12. d.</sup> into *Gascoyne* with the Duke of *Lancaster*, <sup>17 H. 6. Tit. Protection,</sup> into *Gascoyn* with the Earl of *Huntington*, Steward of *Guyan*, <sup>11 E. 12 H. 4. 7. a.</sup> into (a) *Ireland*, and out of this Realm with the Duke of *Gloucester* and the Lord *Knolles*: *Vide* (b) <sup>19 H. 6. 35. b.</sup> And it appeareth in <sup>19 Ed. 2. Tit. Avowery 224.</sup> <sup>26 Aff. 66.</sup> <sup>7 H. 4. 19, &c.</sup> that there was *forinsecum servitium*, foreign Service, which *Bracton*, <sup>fol. 36.</sup> calleth *regale servitium*; and in *Fitz. N. B.* <sup>28.</sup> that the King may send Men to serve him in his Wars beyond the Sea. But thus much (if it be not in so plain a Case too much) shall suffice for this Point for the King's Power, to command the Service of his Subjects in his Wars out of the Realm, whereupon it was concluded, that the Ligeance of a natural-born Subject was not local, and confined only to *England*. Now let us see what the Law saith in Time of Peace, concerning the King's Protection and Power of Command, as well without the Realm, as within, that his Subjects in all Places may be protected from Violence, and that Justice may equally be administered to all his Subjects.

Co. Lit. 130. b.

Co. Lit. 130. b.

Fitz. Protect. 5.

Br. Protect. 48.

\* Fitz. Protect.

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† Fitz. Protect.

35. Br. Protect.

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(a) Fitz. Pro-

tect. 24. Co.

Lit. 130 b.

Br. Protect. 34.

(b) Fitz. Pro-

tect. 8.

Br. Protect. 49.

In the Register fol. 25. b. *Rex universis & singulis admirall', castellan', custodibus castrorum, villar', & aliorum fortalitorum præpositis, vicecom. majoribus, custumariis, custodib' portuum, & alior' locor' maritimor' ballivis, ministr', & aliis fidel' suis, tam in transmarinis qm' in cismarinis partib' ad quos, &c. salutem. Sciatis, qd' suscepimus in protectionem & defension' nostram, necnon ad salvam & securam gardiam nostram W. veniendo in regnum nostrum Angl', & potestatem nostram, tam per terram quam per mare cum uno valetto suo, ac res ac bona sua quæcunque ad tractand' cum dilecto nostro & fideli L. pro redemptione prisonarii ipsius L. infra regnum & potestatem nostram præd' per sex menses morando & exinde ad propria redeundo. Et ideo, &c. quod ipsum W. cum valetto, rebus & bonis suis præd' veniendo in regn' & potestat' nostram præd' tam per terr' quam per mare ibid' ut prædict' est ex causa antedicta morando, & exinde ad propria redeundo, manuteneatis, protegatis, & defendatis; non inferentes eis, &c. seu gravamen. Et si quid eis forisfactum, &c. reformari faciatis. In cujus, &c. per sex menses duratur. T. &c.* In which Writ 3 Things are to be observed. 1. That the K. hath *fidem & fideles in partib' transmarinis*. 2. That he hath *protection' in partib' transmarinis*. 3. That he hath *potestatem in partibus transmarinis*. In the Register fo. 26. *Rex universis & singulis admirallis, castellanis, custodibus castrorum, villarum, & aliorum fortalitorum præpositis, vicecom', majoribus, custumariis, custodib' portuum, & alior' locor' maritimorum ballivis, ministris, & aliis fidelibus suis, tam in transmarinis quam in cismarinis partibus ad quos, &c. salutem. Sciatis quod suscepimus in protectionem & defensionem nostram, necnon in salvum & securum conductum nostr' I. valetum P. & L. Burgensium de Lyons oblidum nostrorum, qui de licentia nostra ad partes transmarinas profecturus est, pro finantia magistrorum suorum prædict' obtinenda vel deferenda, eundo ad partes prædictas ibidem morando, & exinde in Angl' redeundo. Et ideo vobis mandamus, quod eidem I. eundo ad partes præd' ibidem morando, & exinde in Angl' redeundo, ut præd' est, in persona, bonis, aut rebus suis, non inferatis, seu quantum in vobis est ab aliis inferri permittatis injuriam, molestiam, &c. aut gravamen. Sed eum potius saluum & securum conductum, cum per loca passus, seu districtus vestros transferit, & super hoc requisiti fueritis, suis sumptibus habere faciatis. Et si quid eis forisfactum fuerit, &c. reformari faciatis. In cujus, &c. per tres ann' durat' T. &c.* And certainly this was, when Lyons in France (bordering upon Burgundy, an antient Friend to Engl.) was under the actual Obedience of K. Hen. 6. For the King commanded *fidelibus suis*, his faithful Magistrates there,

that if any Injury were there done, it should be by them reformed and redressed, and that they should protect the Party in his Person and Goods in Peace. In the Register, fol. 26. two other Writs: *Rex omnibus seneschallis, majoribus, juratis, paribus, præpositis, ballivis & fidelibus suis in ducatu Aquitaniæ ad quos, &c. salutem. Quia dilecti nobis T. & A. cives civitat' Burdegal' coram nobis in Cancellar' nostr' Angl' & Aquitan' jura sua prosequentes, & metuentes ex verisimilibus conjecturis per quosdam sibi comminantes tam in corpore quam in rebus suis, sibi posse grave damnum inferri, supplicaverunt nobis sibi de protectione regia providere: nos volentes dictos T. & A. ab oppressionibus indebitis præservare, suscepimus ipsos T. & A. res ac justas possessiones & bona sua quæcunque in protectionem & salvam gardiam nostram specialem. Et vobis & cuilibet vestrum injungimus & mandamus, quod ipsos T. & A. familias, res ac bona sua quæcunque a violentiis & gravaminibus indebitis defendatis, & ipsos in justis possessionibus suis manuteneatis. Et si quid in præjudicium hujus protectionis sal' gard' nostr' attentatum inveneritis, ad statum debitum reducat. Et ne quis se possit per ignorantiam excusare præsentem protectionem & salvam gardiam nostram faciat in locis de quibus requisiti fueritis infra district' vestrum publice intimari, inbibentes omnibus & singulis sub pænis gravibus, ne dictis A. & T. seu famulis suis in personis seu rebus suis, injuriam, molestiam, damnum aliquod inferant seu gravamen: Et penocellas nostras in locis & bonis ipsorum T. & A. in signum protectionis & sal' gard' memorat', cum super hoc requisiti fueritis, apponatis. In cujus, &c. Dat' in Palatio nostro Westm' sub magni sigilli testimonio, sexto die Augusti anno 44 E. 3.---Rex universis & singulis seneschallis, constabular', castellanis, præposit', ministr', & omnib' ballivis & fidelibus suis in dominio nostro Aquitan' constitutis ad quos, &c. salut'. Volentes G. & R. uxor' ejus favore prosequi gratiose, ipsos G. & R. homines & familias suas, ac justas possessiones, & bona sua quæcunque, suscepimus in protectionem & defensionem nostram, necnon in salvam gardiam nostram specialem. Et ideo vobis & cuilibet vestrum injungimus & mandamus, quod ipsos G. & R. eorum homines, familias suas, ac justas possessiones & bona sua quæcunq; manuteneatis, protegatis, & defendatis: non inferentes eis seu quantum in vobis est ab aliis inferri permittentes, injuriam, molestiam, damnum, violentiam, impedimentum aliquod seu gravamen. Et si quid eis forisfact', injuriatum vel contra eos indebite attentatum fuerit, id eis sine dilatione corrigi, & ad statum debitum reduci faciat, prout ad vos & quemlibet vestrum noveritis pertinere: penocellas super domibus suis in signum præsentis salvæ gardiæ nostræ (prout moris erit) facientes. In cujus, &c. per unum annum duratur'. T. &c.*

Cawly 139.

Cobledike's  
Case temp. E.  
1. reported by  
Hingham.

Ellesmere's  
Puitnati 91, 92.

Note.

By all which it is manifest, that the Protection and Government of the King is general over all his Dominions and Kingdoms, as well in Time of Peace by Justice, as in Time of War by the Sword, and that all be at his Command, and under his Obedience. Now seeing Power and Protection draweth Ligeance, it followeth, that seeing the King's Power, Command and Protection extendeth out of England, that Ligeance cannot be local, or confined within the Bounds thereof. He that is abjured the Realm, *Qui abjurat regnum amittit regnum, sed non regem, amittit patriam, sed non patrem patriæ*: for notwithstanding the Abjuration, he oweth the King his Ligeance, and he remaineth within the King's Protection; for the King may Pardon and Restore him to his Country again. So seeing that Ligeance is a Quality of the Mind, and not confined within any Place; it followeth, that the Plea that doth confine the Ligeance of the Plaintiff to the Kingdom of Scotland, *Infra ligeantiam regis regni sui Scotiæ, & extra ligeantiam regis regni sui Angliæ*, whereby the Defendants do make one local Ligeance for the natural Subjects of England, and another local Ligeance for the natural Subjects of Scotland, is utterly insufficient, and against the Nature and Quality of natural Ligeance, as often it hath been said. And Coke, Chief Justice of the Court of Common Pleas, cited a ruled Case out of Hingham's Reports, *Tempore E. 1.* which in his Argument he shewed in Court written in Parchment, in an ancient Hand of that Time. *Constance de N.* brought a Writ of Ayel against *Roger de Cobledike*, and others, named in the Writ, and counted that from the Seisin of *Roger* her Grandfather it descended to *Gilbert* his Son, and from *Gilbert* to *Constance*, as Daughter and Heir. Sutton dit, *Sir, el ne doit este responde, pur ceo que el est Francois & nient de la ligeance ne a la foy Denglitterre, & demand judgement si el doit action aver*: that is, she is not to be answered, for that she is a French Woman, and not of the Ligeance, nor of the Faith of England, and demanded Judgment, if she this Action ought to have. Beresford (then Chief Justice of the Court of Common Pleas) by the Rule of the Court disalloweth the Plea, for that it was too short, in that it referred Ligeance and Faith to England, and not to the King: And thereupon Sutton saith as followeth; *Sir, nous voilons averre que el ne est my de la ligeance Denglitterre, ne a la foy le Roy, & demand judgement, & si vous agardes que el doit este responde, nous dirromus assets*: that is, Sir, we will aver, that she is not of the Ligeance of England, nor of the Faith of the King, and demand Judgment, &c. Which

Which later Words of the Plea (*nor of the Faith of the King*) referred Faith to the King indefinitely and generally, and restrained not the same to *England*, and thereupon the Plea was allowed for good, according to the Rule of the Court: For the Book saith, that afterward the Plaintiff desired leave to depart from her Writ. The Rule of that Case of *Cobledike*, did as *Coke* Chief Justice said) over-rule this Case of *Calvin*, in the very Point now in Question; for that the Plea in this Case doth not refer Faith or Ligeance to the King indefinitely and generally, but limiteth and restraineth Faith and Ligeance to the Kingdom: *Extra ligeantiam regis regni sui Angliæ*, out of the Ligeance of the King of his Kingdom of *England*: which afterwards the Lord Chancellor and the Chief Justice of the King's Bench, having Copies of the said ancient Report, affirmed in their Arguments. So as this Point was thus concluded, *Quod ligeantia naturalis nullis claustris coercetur, nullis metis refrænatur, nullis finibus premitur.*

4 & 5. By that which hath been said it appeareth, That this Ligeance is due only to the King; so as therein the Question is not now, *cui, sed quomodo debetur*. It is true, that the King hath two Capacities in him: one a natural Body, being descended of the Blood Royal of the Realm; and this Body is of the Creation of Almighty God, and is subject to Death, Infirmary, and such like; the other is a \* Politick Body or Capacity, so called, because it is framed by the Policy of Man (and in 21 E. 4. 39. b. is called a mythical Body;) and in this Capacity the King is esteemed to be immortal, invisible, not subject to Death, Infirmary, Infancy, (a) Nonage, &c. *Pl. Com. in the case of the Lord Barkley* 238. & in the case of the *Dutchy* 213, 6 E. 3. 291. & 26 Aff. pl. 54. Now seeing the King hath but one Person, and several Capacities, and one Politick Capacity for the Realm of *England*, and another for the Realm of *Scotland*, it is necessary to be considered, to which Capacity Ligeance is due. And it was resolved, that it was due to the natural Person of the King (which is ever accompanied with the Politick Capacity, and the Politick Capacity as it were appropriated to the natural Capacity) and it is not due to the Politick Capacity only, that is, to his Crown or Kingdom distinct from his natural Capacity, and that for divers Persons. First, every Subject (as it hath been affirmed by those that argued against the Plaintiff) is presumed by Law to be sworn to the King, which is to his natural Person, and likewise the King is sworn to his Subjects, (as it appeareth in *Bracton*, lib. 3. de actionibus, cap. 9. fol. 107.) which Oath he taketh in his natural

To whom and how Ligeance is due.

\* Politick Body. 1 Inst. 15. b. 16.

(a) Postea 12. a. Co. Lit. 43. a. 5. Co. 27. a. Plowd. 213. a. 221. a. 364. b. 26 Aff. 54. Fitz. Infant 15. Br. Age 34.

Person: for the Politick Capacity is invifible and immortal; nay, the Politick Body hath no Soul, for it is framed by the Policy of Man. 2. In all Indictments of Treason, when any do intend or compafs *mortem & destructionem Domini Regis* (which muft needs be understood of his natural Body, for his Politick Body is Immortal, and not fubject to Death) the Indictment concludeth, *contra (a) ligeantiae suae debitum*; ergo, the Ligeance is due to the natural Body. *Vid. Fit. Justice of Peace* 53. & *Pl. Com.* 384. in the *Earl of Leicester's Case*. 3. It is true, that the King in genere dieth not, but, no Question, in *individuo* he dieth: as for Example, *H. 8. E. 6. &c.* and Queen *Elizabeth* died, otherwise you should have many Kings at once. In 2 & 3 *Ph. & Mar. Dyer* 128. one (b) Constable dispersed divers Bills in the Streets in the Night, in which it was written, that *K. E. 6.* was alive and in *France, &c.* and in *Coleman-street* in *London*, he pointed to a young Man, and said that he was King *Edward* the Sixth. And this being spoken *de individuo* (and accompanied with other Circumstances) was resolved to be High Treason; for the which Constable was attainted and executed. 4. A (c) Body Politick (being invifible) can as a Body Politick neither make or take Homage: *Vide* 33 *H. 8. Tit. Fealty, Brook* 15. 5. In *fide*, in Faith or Ligeance nothing ought to be feigned, but ought to be *ex fide non ficta*. 6. The King holdeth the Kingdom of *England* by Birth-right Inherent, by Descent from the Blood Royal, whereupon Succession doth attend; and therefore it is usually said, to the King, his Heirs and Successors, wherein Heirs is first named, and Successors is attendant upon Heirs. And yet in our ancient Books Succession and Successor are taken for Hereditance and Heirs. *Bract. l. 2. de acquirendo rerum Dominio, c. 29. Et sciend est, quod hereditas est successio in universum jus quod defunctus antecessor habuit, ex causa quacunque acquisitionis vel successionis, & alibi affinitatis jure nulla successio permittitur.* But the Title is by Descent; by Queen *Elizabeth's* Death the Crown and Kingdom of *England* descended to his Majesty, and he was fully and absolutely thereby King, without any essential Ceremony or Act to be done *ex post facto*: for Coronation is but a Royal Ornament and Solemnization of the Royal Descent, but no Part of the Title. In the first Year of his Majesty's Reign, before his Majesty's Coronation, *Watson* (d) and *Clerke*, Seminary Priests, and others, were of Opinion, that his Majesty was no complete and absolute King before his Coronation, but that Coronation did add a Confirmation and Perfection to the Descent; and therefore (observe their damnable and damned Consequent) that they by

Strength

(a) Antea 6.  
a. b. 3 Inst. 11.  
Hob. 271. Dy.  
143. pl. 62.  
Cawly 185.  
Co. Lit. 129. a.

(b) This Case  
is not in the  
Book at large,  
but is in the  
Abridgment of  
Dy. fo. 32.  
Stow's Abridg.  
p. 1062. 1064.  
Speed's Chron.  
p. 1127. col. 2.  
num. 100.  
(c) 10 Co. 32. b.  
Co. Lit. 66. b.  
4 Co. 11. a.

(d) 3 Inst. 7.

Strength and Power might before his Coronation take him and his Royal Issue into their Possession, keep him Prisoner in the *Tower*, remove such Counsellors and great Officers as pleased them, and constitute others in their Places, &c. And that these and other (acts) of like Nature could not be Treason against his Majesty, before he were a crowned King. But it was clearly resolved by all the Judges of *Engl.* that presently by the Descent his Majesty was completely and absolutely King, without any essential Ceremony or Act to be done *ex post facto*, and that (a) Coronation was (a) 3 Inst. 7. but a Royal Ornament, and outward Solemnization of the Descent. And this appeareth evidently by infinite Precedents and Book-Cases, as (taking one Example in a Case so clear for all) King *Henry VI.* was not crowned until the eighth Year of his Reign, and yet divers Men before his Coronation were attainted of Treason, of Felony, &c. and he was as absolute and compleat a King, both for Matters of Judicature, as for Grants, &c. before his Coronation, as he was after, as it appeareth in the Reports of the 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, and seven Years of the same King. And the like might be produced for many other Kings of this Realm, which for Brevity in a Case so clear I omit. By which it manifestly appeareth, that by the Laws of *England* there can be no \* *interregnum* within the same. If the King be seised of Land by a defeasible Title, and dieth seised, this Descent shall Toll the Entry of him that Right hath, as it appeareth by 9 (b) *E. 4.* 51. But if the next King had it by Succession, that should take away no Entry, as it appeareth by *Littleton*, fol. 97. If a Disseisor of an Infant convey the Land to the King, who dieth seised, this Descent taketh away the Entry of the Infant, as it is said in 34 *H. 6.* fol. 34. (c) 45. lib. *Aff. pl.* 6. *Plow. Com.* 234. where the Case was; King *H. 3.* gave a Manor to his Brother the Earl of *Cornwal* in Tail (at what Time the same was a Fee-simple conditional) King *H. 3.* died, the Earl before the Statute of *Donis conditional* (having no Issue) by Deed exchanged the Manor with warranty for other Lands in Fee, and died without Issue, and the Warranty and Affets descended upon his Nephew King *Edward I.* and it was adjudged, that this Warranty and Affets, which descended upon the natural Person of the King, barred him of the Possibility of Reverter. In the Reign of *Ed. 2.* the *Spen-cers*, the Father and the Son, to cover the Treason hatched in their Hearts, invented this damnable and damned Opinion, That Homage and Oath of Ligeance was more by Reason of the King's Crown (that is, of his Politick Capacity) than by reason of the Person of the King,

Q. If not so between K. J. 2. Abdication and K. W. 3. Succession? post. 12. a. (b) + Co. 58. b.

(c) 10 Co. 96. b. Co. Lit. 19. b. 370. b. Plowd. 234. a 553. b. Fitz. Garranty 68. Br. Affets per descent 31. Br. Tail 34. Br. Prærog. 52. Br. ferch pur le Roy 5. Br. Garranty 52. 9. Co. 132. b.

Q.

Pryn's Sovereign Power of Parliament.  
2 Part. pa. 43.  
Circ. Arg. 64

King, upon which Opinion they inferred execrable and detestable Consequences: 1. If the King do not demean himself by reason in the Right of his Crown, his Lieges be bound by Oath to remove the King. 2. Seeing that the King could not be reformed by Suit of Law, that ought to be done by the Sword. 3. That his Lieges be bound to govern in Aid of him, and in Default of him. All which were condemned by two Parliaments, one in the Reign of *Ed. 2.* called *Exilium Hugonis le Spencer*, and the other in *Ann. 1 Ed. 3. c. 1.* *Bracton, lib. 2. de acquirendo rerum Dominio, c. 24. f. 55,* saith thus, *Est enim corona Reg' facere justitiam & judic' & tenere pacem, & sine quibus corona consistere non potest nec tenere; hujusmodi autem jura sive jurisdictiones ad personas vel tenementa transferri non poterunt, nec a privata persona possideri, nec usus nec executio juris, nisi hoc datum fuit ei desuper, sicut jurisdictio delegata delegari non poterit quin ordinaria remaneat cum ipso Rege. Et lib. 3. de actionibus, cap. 9. fol. 107. Separare autem debet Rex, cum sit Dei vicarius in terra, jus ab injuria, æquum ab iniquo, ut omnes sibi subjeti honeste vivant, & quod nullus alium lædat, & quod unicuique quod suum fuerit recta contributione reddatur.* In respect whereof one saith, That *Corona est quasi cor ornans, cujus ornamenta sunt misericordia & justitia.* And therefore a King's Crown is an Hieroglyphick of the Laws, where Justice, &c. is administred; for so saith *P. Val. l. 41. pag. 400. Coronam dicimus legis judicium esse, propterea quod certis est vinculis complicata, quibus vita nostra veluti religata coercetur.* Therefore if you take that which is signified by the Crown, that is, to do Justice and Judgment, to maintain the Peace of the Land, &c. to separate Right from Wrong, and the Good from the Ill; that is to be understood of that Capacity of the King, that *in rei veritate* hath Capacity, and is adorned and indued with Indowments as well of the Soul, as of the Body, and thereby able to do Justice and Judgment according to Right and Equity, and to maintain the Peace, &c. and to find out and discern the Truth; and not of the invisible and immortal Capacity that hath no such Indowments; for of it self it hath neither Soul nor Body. And where divers Books and Acts of Parliament speak of the Ligeance of *England*, as *1 E. 3. tit. Cofnage 5. 42 Ed. 3. 2. 13 E. 3. tit. Brief 677. 25 Ed. 3. Stat. de natis ultra mare.* All these and other speaking briefly in a vulgar Manner (for *(a) loquendum ut vulgus*) and not pleading (for *sentiendum ut docti*) are to be understood of the Ligeance due by the People of *England* to the King; for no Man will affirm, that *England* itself, taking it for the Continent thereof, doth owe any

(a) 3 Keb. 26.  
Cart. 120. 2 Rol.  
Rep. 239.  
Hcr. 101.  
4 Co. 46. b.

any Ligeance or Faith, or that any Faith or Ligeance should be due to it: But it manifestly appeareth, that the Ligeance or Faith of the Subject is *proprium quarto modo* to the King, *omni, soli, & semper*. And oftentimes in the Reports of our Book-Cases, and in Acts of Parliament also, the Crown or Kingdom is taken for the King himself, as in \* *Fitzh. Natur. Brev. fol. 5.* Tenure *in capite* is a Tenure of the Crown, and is a Seigniorie in Gros, that is of the Person of the King: and so is 30 *H. 8. Dyer fol. 44, 45.* a Tenure in chief, as of the Crown, is meerly a Tenure of the Person of the King, and therewith agreeth 28 *H. 8. tit. Tenure, Br. 65.* The Statute of 4 *H. 5. cap. ultimo* gave Priors aliens, which were conventual to the King and his Heirs, by which Gift faith 34 *H. 6. 34.* the same were annexed to the Crown. And in the said Act of 25 *Ed. 3.* whereas it is said in the Beginning, within the Ligeance of *England*, it is twice afterwar'd said in the same Act within the Ligeance of the King, and yet all one Ligeance due to the King. So in 42 *Ed. 3. fol. 2.* where it is first said, the Ligeance of *England*, it is afterwards in the same Case called, the Ligeance of the King; wherein though they used severall Manner and Phrases of Speech, yet they intended one and the same Ligeance. So in our usual Commission of Assise, of Gaol-Delivery, of Oyer and Terminer, of the Peace, &c. Power is given to execute Justice, *secundum legem & consuetudinem regni nostri Angliæ*; and yet Littleton, lib. 2. in his Chapter of Villenage, fol. 43. in disabling of a Man that is attainted in a Premunire faith, That the same is the King's Law; and so doth the Register in the Writ of *ad jura regia* stile the same.

The Reasons and Causes wherefore by the Policy of the Law the King is a Body Politick, are three, viz. 1. *causa majestatis*, 2. *causa necessitatis*, and 3. *causa utilitatis*. First, *causa majestatis*, the King cannot give or take but by Matter of Record for the Dignity of his Person. Secondly, *causa necessitatis*, as to avoid the (a) Attainder of him that hath Right to the Crown, as it appeareth in 1 *H. 7. 4.* left in the *interim* there should be an (b) *interregnum*, which the Law will not suffer. Also by force of this Politick Capacity, though the (c) King be within Age, yet may he make Leases and other Grants, and the same shall bind him; otherwise his Revenue should decay, and the King should not be able to reward Service, &c. Lastly, *causa utilitatis*, as when Lands and Possessions descend from his collateral Ancestors, being Subjects, as from the Earl

The Reasons wherefore the King by Judgment of Law hath a Politick Capacity

(a) Co. Lit. 16. a. Bacon's H. 7. fo 8, 9. Fitz. Parl. 2. Br. Parl. 37. 105. Plowd. 238. b. (b) 1 W. & M. cap. 4. sect. 10. Co. Lit. 43. a. (c) 5 Co. 27. a. 1 Roll 728. Plowd. 213. a. 221. a. 364. b. 26 Aff. 54. Fitz. Infant 15. Br. Age 14.

Co. Lit. 15. b.  
See Treby's  
Argument in  
the Quo War-  
ranto.

De Legibus  
The second  
general Part.

The Law of  
Nature.  
Wing's Max. 1.

Co. Lit. 11. b.  
post. 14. b.

Q.

Justinian Inst.  
Lib. 1. c. 2.

of *March, &c.* to the King, now is the King seized of the same *in jure coronæ*, in his Politick Capacity; for which Cause the same shall go with the Crown; and therefore, albeit Queen *Elizabeth* was of the half Blood to Queen *Mary*, yet she in her Body Politick enjoyed all those Fee-simple Lands, as by the Law she ought, and no collateral Cousin of the whole Blood to Queen *Mary* ought to have the same. And these are the Causes wherefore by the Policy of the Law the King is made a Body Politick: So as for these special Purposes the Law makes him a Body Politick, Immortal and Invincible, whereunto our Ligeance cannot appertain. But to conclude this Point, our Ligeance is to our natural Liege Sovereign, descended of the Blood Royal of the Kings of this Realm. And thus much of the first general Part *de Ligeantia*.

Now followeth the second Part, *de Legibus*, wherein these Parts were considered: First, That the Ligeance or Faith of the Subject is due unto the King by the Law of Nature: Secondly, That the Law of Nature is Part of the Law of *England*: Thirdly, That the Law of Nature was before any Judicial or Municipal Law: Fourthly, That the Law of Nature is immutable.

The Law of Nature is that which God at the Time of Creation of the Nature of Man infused into his Heart, for his Preservation and Direction; and this is *Lex æterna*, the Moral Law, called also the Law of Nature. And by this Law, written with the Finger of God in the Heart of Man, were the People of God a long Time governed, before the Law was written by *Moses*, who was the first Reporter or Writer of Law in the World. The Apostle in the second Chapter to the *Romans* saith, *Cum enim gentes quæ legem non habent naturaliter ea quæ legis sunt faciunt*. And this is within that Command of the Moral Law, *Honora patrem*, which doubtless doth extend to him that is *pater patriæ*. And the Apostle saith, *Omnis anima potestatibus sublimioribus subdita sit*. And these be the Words of the great Divine, *Hoc Deus in sacris Scripturis jubet, hoc lex Naturæ dictat, ut quilibet subditus obediat superiori*. And *Aristotle*, Nature's Secretary, *Lib. 5. Ethic.* saith, That *jus naturale est, quod apud omnes homines eandem habet potentiam*. And herewith doth agree *Bracton*, *lib. 1. cap. 5.* and *Fortescue*, *cap. 8, 12, 13, & 16.* *Doctor and Student*, *cap. 2. & 4.* And the Reason hereof is, for that God and Nature is one

to all, and therefore the Law of God and Nature is one to all. By this Law of Nature is the Faith, Ligeance, and Obedience of the Subject due to his Sovereign or Superior. And *Aristotle* 1 *Politicorum* proveth, that to command and to obey is of Nature, and that Magistracy is of Nature: For whatsoever is necessary and profitable for the Preservation of the Society of Man is due by the Law of Nature: But Magistracy and Government are necessary and profitable for the Preservation of the Society of Man; therefore Magistracy and Government are of Nature. And herewith accordeth *Tully*, lib. 3. *de legibus*, *Sine imperio nec domus ulla, nec civitas, nec gens, nec hominum universonum stare, nec ipse denique mundus potest.* This Law of Nature, which indeed is the eternal Law of the Creator, infused into the Heart of the Creature at the Time of his Creation, was two thousand Years before any Laws written, and before any Judicial or Municipal Laws. And certain it is, That before Judicial or Municipal Laws were made, Kings did decide Causes according to natural Equity, and were not tied to any Rule or Formality of Law, but did *dare jura*. And this appeareth by *Fortescue*, cap. 12 § 13. and by *Virgil* that Philosophical Poet, 7 *Ænead.* Note. Postea 25. a.

*Hoc Priami gestamen erat, cum jura vocatis  
More daret populis.*

And 5 *Ænead.*

——— *Gaudet regno Trojanus Acestes,  
Indicique forum § patribus dat jura vocatis.*

And *Pomponius*, lib. 2. cap. *de origine juris*, affirmeth, that in *Tarquinius Superbus's* Time there was no Civil Law written, and that *Papirius* reduced certain Observations into Writing, which was called *Jus Civile Papirianum*. Now the Reason wherefore Laws were made and published, appeareth in *Fortescue*, cap. 13. and in *Tully*, lib. 2. *officiorum*: *At cum jus æquabile ab uno viro homines non consequerentur, inventi sunt leges.* Now it appeareth by demonstrative Reason, that Ligeance, Faith, and Obedience of the Subject to the Sovereign, was before any Municipal or Judicial Laws. 1. For that Government and Subjection were long before any Municipal or Judic. Laws. 2. For that it had been in vain to have prescribed Laws to any, but to such as ought Obedience, Faith, and Ligeance before, in Respect whereof they were bound to obey and observe them: *Frustra enim feruntur*

*feruntur leges nisi subditis & obedientibus.* Seeing then that Faith, Obedience, and Ligeance, are due by the Law of Nature, it followeth that the same cannot be changed or taken away; for albeit Judicial or Municipal Laws have inflicted and imposed in several Places, or at several Times, divers and several Punishments and Penalties, for Breach or not Observance of the Law of Nature, (for that Law only consisted in Commanding or Prohibiting, without any certain Punishment or Penalty) yet the very Law of Nature it self, never was nor could be (a) altered or changed. And therefore it is certainly true, that (b) *Jura naturalia sunt immutabilia.* And herewith agreeth *Bracton, lib. 1. cap. 5.* and *Doctor and Student, cap. 5 & 6.* And this appeareth plainly and plentifully in our Books.

If a Man hath a Ward by Reason of a Seigniori, and is outlawed, he forfeiteth the Wardship to the King: But if a Man hath the Wardship of his own Son or Daughter, which is his Heir apparent, and is outlawed, he doth not (c) forfeit this Wardship; for Nature hath annexed it to the Person of the Father, as it appeareth in 33 *H. 6. 55. b. Et bonus Rex nihil a bono patre differt, & patria dicitur a patre, quia habet communem patrem, qui est pater patriæ.* In the same Manner, *maris & femina conjunctio est de jure naturæ*, as *Bracton* in the same Book and Chapter, and *St. Germin* in his Book of the *Doctor and Student, cap. 5.* do hold. Now if he that is attainted of Treason or Felony, be slain by one that hath no Authority, or executed by him that hath Authority, but pursueth not his Warrant, in this Case his eldest Son can have no Appeal, for he must bring his Appeal as Heir, which being *ex provisione hominis*, he loseth it by the Attaind. of his Father; but his (d) Wife (if any he have) shall have an Appeal, because she is to have her Appeal as Wife, which she remaineth notwithstanding the Attainder, because *maris & femina conjunctio* is *de jure naturæ*, and therefore (it being to be intended of true and right Matrimony) is indissoluble; and this is proved by the Book in 33 *H. 6. 57.* So if there be Mother and Daughter, and the Daughter is attainted of Felony, now cannot she be Heir to her Mother for the Cause aforesaid; yet after her Attainder, if she kill her Mother, this is Parricide and Petit Treason; for yet she remaineth her Daughter, for that is of Nature, and herewith agreeth 21 *E. 3. 17. b.* If a Man be attainted of Felony or Treason, he hath lost the King's legal Protection, for he is thereby utterly disabled to sue any Action real or personal (which is a greater Disability than an Alien in League hath) and yet such a Person so attainted hath not lost that Protection

(a) Dr. & Stud.  
4. a. ante 12. b.  
(b) Cart. 130.

(c) 3 Co. 39. a.  
7 Co. 12. b.  
Co. Lit. 84. b.  
Br. Gard. 6.  
Br. Forfeit. 70.  
Plowd. 294. a.  
Englefield's  
Case. 2 Inst. 234.

Q.  
(d) Stamf. Cor.  
59. c. 35 H. 6.  
58. a. Br. Ap-  
peal 5. 131.  
Fitz. Cor. 21.  
2 Inst. 215.

Protection which by the Law of Nature is given to the K. for that is *indelebilis & immutabilis*, and therefore the K. may protect and pardon him, and if any Man kill him without Warrant, he shall be punished by the Law as a Man-slayer, and thereunto accordeth 4 *Ed.* 4. and 35 *H.* 6. 57. Cawly 47. 2 *Aff. pl.* 3. By the Statute of 25 *Ed.* 3. *cap.* 22. a Man attainted in a *Premunire*, is by expresse Words out of the King's Protection generally; and yet this extendeth only to legal Protection, as it appeareth by *Littleton, fol.* 43. for the Parliament could not take away that Protection which Q. the Law of Nature giveth unto him; and therefore notwithstanding that Statute, the King may protect and pardon him. And though by that Statute it was further enacted, That it should be done with him as with an Enemy, by which Words any Man might have slain such a Person (as it is holden in 24 *H.* 8. *Tit. Coron. Br.* 197.) until the Stat. made anno 5 *Eliz. cap.* 1. yet the King might protect and pardon him. A Man outlawed is out of the Benefit of the Municipal Law; for so saith *Fitz. N. B.* 161. *a. Utlagatus est quasi extra legem positus*: And *Braet. l.* 3. *tract.* 2. *c.* 11. saith that *caput gerit lupinum*; yet is he not out either of his natural Ligeance, or of the King's natural Protection; for neither of them is ty'd to Municipal Laws, but is due by the Law of Nature, which (as hath been said) was long before any Judicial or Municipal Laws. And therefore if a Man were outlawed for Felony, yet was he within the K.'s natural Protection, for no Man but the Sheriff could execute him, as it is adjudged in 2 *lib. Aff. pl.* 3. Every Subject is by his natural Ligeance bound to obey and serve his Sovereign, &c. It is enacted by the Parliament of 23 *H.* 6. 23 *H.* 6. c. 8. that no Man should serve the King as Sheriff of any County, above one Year, and that, notwithstanding any Clause of *non obstante* to the contrary, that is to say, notwithstanding that the King should expressly dispense with the said Statute: Howbeit it is agreed in 2 *H.* 7. that against the expresse Purview of that Act, the King may by a special *Non obstante* dispense with that Act, for that the Act could not bar the King of the Service of his Subject, which the Law of Nature did give unto him. By these and many other Cases that might be cited out of our Books, it appeareth, how plentiful the Authorities of our Laws be in this Matter. Wherefore to conclude this Point (and to exclude all that hath been or could be objected against it) if the Obedience and Ligeance of the Subject to his Sovereign, be due by the Law of Nature, if that Law be Parcel of the Laws as well of *England*, as of all other Nations, and is immutable, and that *Postnati* \* and we of *England* are united by Birth-right, in

3 *Innt.* 126.

Co. Lit. 130. a.

B. N. C. 53.  
Co. Lit. 130. a.  
2 *Bulstr.* 299.  
Cawly 46, 47.

Co. Lit. 128. b.

Br. Corone 67.

Plowd. 502. b.  
2 *H.* 7. 6. b.  
Br. Parents, 109.  
12 Co. 18.

\* i.e. of Scotland.

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in Obedience and Ligeance (which is the true Cause of natural Subjection) by the Law of Nature; it followeth, that Calvin the Plaintiff being born under one Ligeance to one King, cannot be an Alien born; and there is great Reason, that the Law of Nature should direct this Case, wherein 5 natural Operations are remarkable: First, The King hath the Crown of *England* by Birth-right, being naturally procreated of the Blood Royal of this Realm: Secondly, Calvin the Plaintiff naturalized by Procreation and Birth-right, since the Descent of the Crown of *England*: Thirdly, Ligeance and Obedience of the Subject to the Sovereign, due by the Law of Nature: Fourthly, Protection and Government due by the Law of Nature: Fifthly, this Case, in the Opinion of divers, was more doubtful in the Beginning, but the further it proceeded, the clearer and stronger it grew; and therefore the Doubt grew from some violent Passion, and not from any Reason grounded upon the Law of Nature, *quia quanto magis violentus motus (qui fit contra naturam) appropinquat ad suum finem, tanto debiliores & tardiores sunt ejus motus; sed naturalis motus, quanto magis appropinquat ad suum finem, tanto fortiores & velociore sunt ejus motus.* Hereby it appeareth how weak the Objection grounded upon the Rule of (a) *Quando duo jura concurrunt in una persona, &c.* is: For that Rule holdeth not in personal Things, that is, when two Persons are necessarily and inevitably required by Law (as in the Case of an Alien born there is; and therefore no Man will say, that now the King of *England* can make War or League with the King of *Scotland*, & sic de ceteris: And so in Case of an Alien born, you must of Necessity have 2 several Ligeances to two several Persons. And to conclude this Point concerning Laws, *Non adversat' diversitas regnor' sed regnant', non patriarum, sed patrum patriar', non coronarum, sed coronatorum, non legum municipalium, sed regum majestatum.* And therefore thus were directly and clearly answered as well the Objections drawn from the Severalty of the Kingdoms, seeing there is but one Head of both, and the *Postnati* and us joined in Ligeance to that one Head, which is *copula & tanquam oculus* of this Case; as also the Distinction of the Laws, seeing that Ligeance of the Subjects of both Kingdoms, is due to their Sovereign by one Law, and that is the Law of Nature.

(a) Ellesmere's  
Postnat. c. 88.  
4 Co. 118. a.  
Cawly 209.  
Antea 2. b.  
Moor 793, 804.

The 3d general Part concerning both Kingdoms.

For the Third, it is first to be understood, that as the Law hath wrought four Unions, so the Law doth still make four Separations. The first Union is of both Kingdoms under one natural Liege Sover. K. and so acknowledg. by the Act of Parlia.

Parliament of Recognition. The 2d is an Union of Ligeance and Obedience of the Subjects of both Kingdoms, due by the Law of Nature to their Sovereign: And this Union doth suffice to rule and over-rule the Case in Question; and this in Substance is but a Uniting of the Hearts of the Subjects of both Kingdoms one to another, under one Head and Sovereign. The 3d Union is an Union of Protection of both Kingdoms, equally belonging to the Subjects of either of them: And therefore the two first Arguments or Objections drawn from two supposed several Ligeances were fallacious, for they did *disjungere conjungenda*. The fourth Union and Conjunction is of the three Lions of *England*, and that one of *Scotland*, united and quartered in one Escutcheon.

Concerning the Separations yet remaining: 1st, *England* and *Scotland* remain several and distinct Kingdoms. 2. They are governed by several judicial or municipal Laws: 3. They have several distinct and separate Parliaments: 4. Each Kingdom hath several Nobilities; for albeit a *Postnatus* in *Scotland*, or any of his Posterity, be the Heir of a Nobleman of *Scotland*, and by his Birth is legitimated in *England*, yet he is none of the (a) Peers or Nobility of *England*; for his natural Ligeance and Obedience, due by the Law of Nature, maketh him a Subject and no Alien within *England*: But that Subjection maketh him not noble within *England*, for that Nobility had his Original by the K.'s Creation, and not of Nature. And this is manifested by express Authorities, grounded upon excellent Reasons in our Books. If a Baron, Viscount, Earl, Marquess, or Duke of *England*, bring any Action real or personal, and the Defendant pleadeth in Abatement of the Writ, that he is no Baron, Viscount, Earl, &c. and thereupon the Demandant or Plaintiff taketh Issue; this Issue shall not be try'd by Jury, but by the (b) Record of Parliament, whether he or his Ancestor, whose Heir he is, were called to serve there as a Peer, and one of the Nobility of the Realm. And so are our Books adjudged in 22 *Aff.* 24. 48 *Edw.* 3. 30. 35 *H.* 6. 40. 20 *Eliz.* 2 *Dyer* 360. *Vide in the 6th Part of my Reports, in the Countess of Rutland's Case.* So as the Man, that is not *de jure* a Peer, or one of the Nobility, to serve in the upper House of the Parliament of *England*, is not in the legal Proceedings of Law accounted noble within *England*. And therefore if a Countess of *France* or *Spain*, or any other foreign Kingdom, should come into *England*, he should not here sue, or be sued by the Name of Countess, &c. for that he is none of the Nobles that are Members of the upper

(a) *Dyer* 360.  
pl. 6. 9 Co. 117.  
a. b. 2 ... ft. 48.

(b) Co. Lit. 16. b.  
6 Co. 53. a.  
9 Co. 31. a. 49. a.  
12 Co. 70, 94, 95.  
2 Inst. 50.  
2 Rol. 575.  
Moor 767.

(a) 9 Co. 117. b. upper House of the Parliament of England; and herewith agree the Book-cases of (a) 20 Ed. 4. 6. a. b. and 11 Ed. 3. Tit. Br. noſine de dignity 49. Bre. 473. Like Law it is, and for the ſame Reason, of an Earl or Baron of Ireland, he is not any Peer, or of the Nobility of this Realm: And herewith agreeth the Book in

(b) 9 Co. 117. b. 8 R. 2. Tit. (b) Proceſſ pl. ultim. where in an Action of Debt Proceſſ of Outlawry was awarded againſt the Earl of Fitz. Proc. 224. Ormond in Ireland; which ought not to have been, if he had been noble here. Vide Dyer (c) 20 Eliz. 360.

(c) Dy. 360. pl. 6. But yet there is a Diversity in our Books worthy of Obſervation, for the higheſt and loweſt Dignities are univerſal, for if a King of a foreign Nation come into England, by the Leave of the King of this Realm (as it ought to be) in this Caſe he ſhall ſue and be ſued by the Name of a King; and herewith agreeth 11 E. 3. Tit. Br. (d) 473. where the Caſe was, that Alice, which was the Wife of R. de O. brought a Writ of Dower againſt John Earl of Richmond, and the Writ was *Præcip. Johann' Comiti Richmondie cuſtodi terr' & heredis of William the Son of R. de O. the Tenant pleaded That he is Duke of Britain, not named Duke, Judgment of the Writ? But it is ruled, that the Writ was good, for that the Dukedom of Britain was not within the Realm of England.* But there it is ſaid, that if a Man bring a Writ againſt Edward (e) Baliol, and name him not K. of Scotland, the Writ ſhall abate for the Cauſe aforeſaid. And hereof there is a notable Precedent in *Fleta, lib. 2. cap. 3. §. 9.* where treating of the Jurisdiction of the King's Court of *Marſhalſea* it is ſaid, *Et hæc omnia ex officio ſuo licite facere poterit (ſſ. Senefchal' aul' hoſpitii Regis) non obſtante alicujus libertate, etiam in alieno regno dum tamen reus in hoſpitio Regis poterit inveniri ſecundum quod contigit Pariſ. anno 14 Ed. 1. de Engelramo de Nogent capto in hoſpitio Regis Angl' (ipſo Rege tunc apud Pariſiam exiſtente) cum diſcis argenti furatiſ recenter ſuper factò, Rege Franc' tunc præſente, & unde licet curia Regis Franc' de præd' latrone per caſtellanum Pariſ. petita fuerit, habitis hinc & inde tractatibus in conſilio Regis Franc', tandem conſideratum fuit; quod Rex Angl' illa regia prærogativa, & hoſpitii ſui privilegio uteretur, & gauderet, qui, coram Roberto Fitz-John milite tunc hoſpitii Regis Angl' Senefchallo de latrocinio convictus, per conſiderationem ejus Cur' fuit (f) ſuſpenſus in patibulo Sancti Germani de Pratiſ.* Which proveth, that though the King be in a foreign Kingdom, yet he is judged in Law a K. there. The other Part of the ſaid Diversity, is proved by the Book-caſe in 20 (g) E. 4. fol. 6. a. b. where in a Writ of Debt brought by Sir J. Douglas, Knight, againſt Elizabeth Molford, the Defend. demanded Judgment of the Writ, for that

(a) Moor 803.  
9 Co. 117. b.  
Poſtea 16. a.

(e) Moor 803.

(f) Moor 798,  
799.

(g) 9 Co. 117. b.  
Br. noſine de  
dignity, 49.

the Plaintiff was an Earl of *Scotland*, but not of *England*; and that our Sovereign Lord the King had granted unto him safe Conduct, not named by his Name of Dignity, Judgment of the Writ, &c. And there Justice *Litt.* giveth the Rule; the Plaintiff (saith he) is an Earl in *Scotland*, but not in *England*; and if our Sovereign Lord the King grant to a Duke of *France* a safe Conduct to merchandize, and enter into his Realm, if the Duke cometh and bringeth Merchandize into this Land, and is to sue an Action here, he ought not to name himself Duke, for he is not a Duke in this Land, but only in *France*. And these be the very Words of that Book-case; out of which I collect 3 Things. First, that the Plaintiff was named by the Name of a Knight, wheresoever he received that Degree of Dignity. *Vide* (a) 7 H. 6. 14 b. accord. 2. That an Earl of another Kingdom or Nation is no Earl (to be so named in legal Proceedings) within this Realm: And herewith agreeth the Book of (b) 11 Ed. 3. the Earl of *Richmond's* Case before recited. 3. That albeit the King by his Letters Patents of safe Conduct do name him Duke, yet that Appellation maketh him no Duke, to sue or to be sued by that Name within *England*: So as the Law in these Points (apparent in our Books) being observed, and rightly understood it appeareth how causeless their Fear was, that the Adjudging of the Plaintiff to be no Alien, should make a Confusion of the Nobilities of either Kingdom.

(a) Br. brief 159.  
Fitz. brief 35.

(b) 11 E. 3.  
Fitz. brief. 473.  
Antea 15 b.  
Moor 803,  
9 Co. 117. b.

Now are we in Order come to the fourth Noun (which is the 4th general Part) *Alienigena*; wherein 6 Things did fall into Consideration. 1. Who was *Alienigena*, an Alien born by the Laws of *England*. 2. How many Kinds of Aliens born there were. 3. What Incidents belonged to an Alien born. 4. The Reason why an Alien is not capable of Inheritance or Freehold within *England*. 5. Examples, Resolutions, and Judgments, reported in our Books in all Successions of Ages, proving the Plaintiff to be no Alien. 6. Demonstrative Conclusions upon the Premises, approving the same.

The 4th general Part, De Alienigena.

1. An Alien is a Subject that is born out of the Ligeance of the King, and under the Ligeance of another, and can have no real or personal Action for or concerning Land; but in every such Action the Tenant or Defendant may plead, that he was born in such a Country which is not within the Ligeance of the King, and demand Judgment if he shall be answered. And this is in Effect the Description which *Litt.* himself maketh, lib. 2. cap. 14. *Villen. fol. 43. Alienigena est alienæ gentis seu alieni ligeant, qui etiam dici-*

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Co. Lit. 128. b.  
129. a. 4 Inst.  
152.

*tur peregrinus, alienus, exoticus, extraneus, &c. Extraneus est subditus, qui extra terram, i. potestatem Regis natus est.* And the usual and right Pleading of an Alien born, doth lively and truly describe and express what he is. And therein two Things are to be observed; 1. That the most usual and best Pleading in this Case, is, both exclusive and inclusive, viz. *extra ligeantiam domini Regis, &c. & in-*

(a) Antea 5. c. *fra ligeantiam alterius Regis*, as it appeareth in (a) 9 Ed. 4. 7. b. *Book of Entries, fol. 244, &c.* which cannot possibly be pleaded in this Case, for two Causes; First, for that one King is Sovereign of both Kingdoms; 2. One Ligeance is due by both to one Sovereign, and in Case of an Alien there must of Necessity be several Kings and several Ligeances. Secondly, no Pleading was ever *extra regnum*, or *extra legem*, which are circumscribed to Place, but *extra ligeantiam*, which (as it hath been said) is not local or tied to any Place.

It appeareth by *Bracton, lib. 3. tract. 2. c. 15. fol. 134.*  
 (b) Stanf. Cor. 17. f. that (b) *Canutus* the *Danish* King, having settled himself in this Kingdom in Peace, kept notwithstanding (for the better Continuance thereof) great Armies within this Realm. The Peers and Nobles of *England* distasting this Government, by Arms and Armies, *Odimus accipitrem quia semper vivit in armis*, wisely and politickly persuaded the King, that they would provide for the Safety of him and his People, and yet his Armies carrying with them many Inconveniences, should be withdrawn; and therefore offered, that they would consent to a Law, that whosoever should kill an *Alien*, and be apprehended, and could not acquit himself, he should be subject to Justice: But if the Manslayer fled, and could not be taken, then the Town where the Man was slain should forfeit 66 Marks unto the King; and if the Town were not able to pay it, then the Hundred should forfeit and pay the same unto the King's Treasure; whereunto the King assented. This Law was

Full. Ch. Hist. 1. 1. 12.

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penned, *Quicumque occiderit Francigenam, &c.* not excluding other Aliens, but putting *Francigena* a *Frenchman* for Example, that others must be like unto him, in owing several Ligeance to a several Sovereign, that is, to be *extra ligeantiam regis Angl'*, and *infra ligeantiam alterius regis*. And it appears before out of *Bracton* and *Flota*, that both of them use the same Example (in describing of an Alien) *ad fidem regis Franc'*. And it was holden, that except it could be proved, that the Party slain was an *Englishman*, that he should be taken for an Alien; and this was called *Engleshere, Englesheria*, that is, a Proof that the Party slain was an *Englishman*. (Hereupon

*Canutus*

*Canutus* presently withdrew his Armies, and within a while after lost his Crown, and the same was restored to his right Owner.) The said Law of Englishery continued until 14 *Ed. 3. cap. 4.* and then the same was by Act of Parliament ousted and abolished. So amongst the Laws of *William the First*, (published by Master *Lambert*, fol. 125.) *Omnis Francigena* (there put for Example as before is said, to express what manner of Person *alienigena* should be) *qui tempore Edwardi propinqui nostri fuit particeps legum & consuetudinum Anglorum* (that is, made Denizen) *quod dicunt ad scot & lot persolvat secundum legem Anglorum.*

Every Man is either *Alienigena*, an Alien born, or *subditus*, a Subject born. Every Alien is either a Friend that is in League, &c. or an Enemy that is in open War, &c. Every Alien Enemy is either *pro tempore*, temporary for a Time, or *perpetuus*, perpetual, or *specialiter permixsus*, permitted especially. Every Subject is either *natus*, born, or *datus*, given or made: And of these briefly in their Order: And Alien Friend, as at this Time, a *German*, a *Frenchman*, a *Spaniard*. &c. (all the Kings and Princes in Christendom being now in League with our Sovereign; but a *Scot* being a Subject, cannot be said to be a Friend, nor *Scotland* to be *solum amici*) may by the Common Law have, acquire, and get within this Realm, by Gift, Trade, or other lawful Means, any Treasure, or (a) Goods personal (a) *Co. Lit. 2. b.* whatsoever, as well as an *Englishman*, and may maintain any (b) Action for the same: But (c) Lands within this (b) 1 *Bull. 134.* Realm, or Houses (but for their necessary Habitation only) *Yel. 198. Owen 45. Co. Lit. 129. b. 1 And. 25. Moor 431. 1 Keb. 266. Cr. El. 142. 683. Cr. Car. 9. 4 Inst. 152. Dy. 2. pl. 8. O. Benl. 10. B. N. C. 375. Br. Non-ability 62. (c) Poph. 36. Co. Lit. 2. b. Dy. 2. pl. 8.* Alien Friends cannot acquire, or get, nor maintain any Action real or personal, for any Land or House, unless the House be for their necessary Habitation. For if they should be disabled to acquire and maintain these Things, it were in Effect to deny unto them Trade and Traffick, which is the Life of every Island. But if this Alien become an Enemy (as all Alien Friends may) then is he utterly disabled to maintain any Action, or get any Thing within this Realm. And this is to be understood of a temporary Alien, that being an Enemy, may be a Friend, or being a Friend, may be an Enemy. But a perpetual Enemy (though there be no Wars by Fire and Sword between them,) cannot maintain any Action, or get any Thing within this Realm. All Infidels are in Law *perpetui* (d) *inimici*, perpetual E- (d) *Wing Max 10. Skin. 166.* nemies (for the Law presumes not that they will be converted, that being *remota potentia*, a Remote Possibility) for between them, as with the Devils, whose Subjects they be, and the Christian, there is perpetual

How many  
kind of Aliens  
there be.

(a) 4 Inst. 155. Hostility, and can be no (a) Peace; for as the Apostle saith, 2 Cor. 6. 15. *Quæ autem conventio Christi ad Belial, aut quæ pars fideli cum infideli*, and the Law saith, *Judeo Christianum nullum serviat mancipium, nefas enim est quem Christus redemit blasphemum Christi in servitutis vinculis detinere*. Register 282. *Infideles sunt Christi & Christianorum inimici*. And herewith agreeth the Book in 12 H. 8. fol. 4. where it is holden that a Pagan cannot have or maintain any Action at all. [*Quere.*]

† By what Laws Kingdoms gotten by Conquest, &c. shall be governed. Dav. 30. b. 3 Keb. 402. Salk. 411, 412. 666. Comb. 55.

And upon this Ground there is a Diversity between a Conquest of a Kingdom of a Christian King, and the Conquest of a Kingdom of an Infidel; for if a King come to a Christian Kingdom by Conquest, seeing that he hath *vite & necis potestatem*, he may at his Pleasure alter and change the Laws of that Kingdom, but until he doth make an Alteration of those Laws, the ancient Laws of that Kingdom remain. But if a Christian King should conquer a Kingdom of an Infidel, and bring them under his Subjection, there *ipso facto* the Laws of the Infidel are abrogated, for that they be not only against Christianity, but against the Law of God and of Nature, contained in the Decalogue, and in that Case, until certain Laws be established amongst them, the King by himself, and such Judges as he shall appoint, shall judge them and their Causes according to natural Equity, in such sort as Kings in ancient Time did with their Kingdoms, before any certain Municipal Laws were given, as before hath been said. But if a King hath a Kingdom by Title of Descent, there seeing by the Laws of that Kingdom he doth inherit the Kingdom, he cannot change those Laws of himself, without Consent of Parliament. Also if a King hath a Christian Kingdom by Conquest, as King Henry the Second had Ireland, after King John had given unto them, being under his Obedience and Subjection, the Laws of England for the Government of that Country, no succeeding King could alter the same without Parliament. And in that Case while the Realm of England, and that of Ireland were governed by several Laws, any that was born in Ireland was no Alien to the Realm of England. In which Precedent of Ireland three Things are to be observed: 1. That then there had been two Descents, one from Henry the Second to King Richard the First, and from Richard to King John, before the Alteration of the Laws. 2. That albeit Ireland was a distinct Dominion, yet the Title thereof being by Conquest, the same by Judgment of Law might by express Words be bound by Act of the Parliament of Engl. 3. That albeit no Reservation

Ireland.

vation were in King *John's* Charter, yet by Judgment of Law a Writ of *Error* did lie in the King's Bench in *England* of an erroneous Judgment in the King's Bench of *Ireland*. Furthermore, in the Case of a Conquest of a Christian Kingdom, as well those that served in Wars at the Conquest, as those that remained at Home for the Safety and Peace of their Country, and other the King's Subjects, as well *Antenati* as *Pestnati*, are capable of Lands in the Kingdom or Country conquered, and may maintain any real Action, and have the like Privileges and Benefits there, as they may have in *England*. Kelw. 202.  
pl 19. 4 Inst.  
71. F.N.B.22.  
Vau 3h. 290,  
291.

The third kind of Enemy is, *inimicus permissus*, an Enemy that cometh into the Realm by the King's safe Conduct, of which you may read in the *Register*, fol. 25. *Book of Entries, Ejectione firme*, 7, 32. *H. 6. 23. b. &c.* Now what a Subject born is, appeareth at large by that which hath been said *de ligeantia*; and so likewise *de subdito dato*, of a *donatison*: for that is the right Name, so called, because his Legitimation is given unto him; for if you derive Denizen from *deins nee*, one born within the Obedience or Ligeance of the King, then such a one should be all one with a natural-born Subject. And it appeareth before out of the Laws of King *W. 1.* of what Antiquity the making of Denizens by the King of *England* hath been. Co. Lit. 129. a

3. There be regularly (unless it be in special Cases) three Incidents to a Subject born. 1. That the Parents be under the actual Obedience of the King. 2. That the Place of his Birth be within the King's Dominion. And 3. The Time of his Birth is chiefly to be considered; for he cannot be a Subject born of one Kingdom that was born under the Ligeance of a King of another Kingdom, albeit afterwards one Kingdom descend to the King of the other. For the first, it is termed actual Obedience, because though the King of *England* hath absolute Right to other Kingdoms or Dominions, as *France, Aquitain, Normandy, &c.* yet seeing the King is not in actual Possession thereof, none born there since the Crown of *England* was out of actual Possession thereof, are Subjects to the King of *England*. 2. The Place is observable, but so as many Times Ligeance or Obedience, without any Place within the King's Dominions may make a Subject born, but any Place within the King's Dominions without Obedience can never produce a natural Subject. And therefore if any of the King's Ambassadors in Foreign Nations, have Children there of their Wives, being *English* Women, by the Com. Laws of *England* they are natural-born Subjects, and yet they are born out of the King's Dominions. But if Enemies should come into any of the King's Dominions, and surprize any Castle or Fort, and possess Of the Incidents to an Alien.  
Lit. Rep. 27.  
  
Cr. Car 601,  
602.  
March 91.  
Jenk. Cent. 3.

possess the same by Hostility, and have Issue there, that Issue is no Subject to the King, though he be born within his Dominions, for that he was not born under the K.'s Ligeance or Obedience. But the Time of his (a) Birth is of the Essence of a Subject born; for he cannot be a Subject to the King of *England*, unless at the Time of his (a) Birth he was under the Ligeance and Obedience of the King. And that is the Reason that *Antenati* in *Scotland* (for that at the Time of their Birth they were under the Ligeance and Obedience of another King) are Aliens born, in Respect of the Time of their Birth.

Wherefore an Alien born is not capable of Lands.

See 2 H. 4. c. 7. & c. 9.

(b) 10 Co. 104. a. Co. Lit. 156. b. Poph. 35.

Examples and Authorities in Law.

(c) Co. Lit. 10. a. 155. a. 232. a.

4. It followeth next in course to set down the Reasons, wherefore an Alien born is not capable of Inheritance within *England*, and that he is not for three Reasons. 1. The Secrets of the Realm might thereby be discovered. 2. The Revenues of the Realm (the Sinews of War, and Ornament of Peace) should be taken and enjoyed by Strangers born. 3. It should tend to the Destruction of the Realm. Which three Reasons do appear in the Statute of 2 H. 5. cap. and 4 H. 5. cap. 5. But it may be demanded, Wherein doth that Destruction consist: Whereunto it is answered: First, it tends to Destruction *tempore belli*; for then Strangers might fortify themselves in the Heart of the Realm, and be ready to set Fire on the Commonwealth, as was excellently shadowed by the Trojan Horse in *Virgil's* second Book of his *Aeneads*, where a very few Men in the Heart of the City, did more Mischief in few Hours, than ten thousand Men without the Walls in ten Years. Secondly, *tempore pacis*, for so might many Aliens born get a great Part of the Inheritance and Freehold of the Realm, whereof there should follow a Failure of Justice (the Supporter of the Commonwealth) for that Aliens born cannot be returned of Juries (b) for the Trial of Issues between the King and the Subject, or between Subject and Subject. And for this Purpose, and many other, see a Charter (worthy of Observation) of King *Ed. 3.* written to Pope *Clement*, *Datum apud Westm. 26 die Sept. ann. regni nostri Franciæ 4. regni vero Angliæ 17.*

5. Now are we come to the Examples, Resolutions, and Judgments of former Times; wherein two Things are to be observed: First, How many Cases in our Books do over-rule this Case in Question (for *ubi (c) eadem ratio ibi idem jus, & de similibus idem est judicium.* 2. That for want of an express Text of Law in *terminis terminantibus* and of Examples and Precedents in like Cases (as was objected by some) we are driven to determine the Question by natural Reason: For it was said, *Si cesset lex scripta id custodiri oportet*

*oportet quod moribus & consuetudine inductum est, & si quia in re hoc defecerit, recurrendum est ad rationem.* But that receiveth a threefold Answer: First, That there is no such Rule in the Common or Civil Law, but the true Rule of the Civil Law is, *Lex scripta si cesserit, id custodiri oportet quod moribus & consuetudine inductum est, & si qua in re hoc defecerit, tunc id quod proximum & consequens ei est, & si id non appareat, tunc jus quo urbs Romana utitur, servari oportet.* Secondly, If the said imaginative Rule be rightly and legally understood, it may stand for Truth: For if you intend *ratio* for the legal and profound Reason of such as by diligent Study and long Experience and Observation are so learned in the Laws of this Realm, as out of the Reason of the same they can rule the Case in Question, in that Sense the said Rule is true: But if it be intended of the Reason of the wisest Man that professeth not the Laws of *England*, then (I say) the Rule is absurd and dangerous; for (a) *cuiuslibet in sua arte perito est credendum, & quod quisque (b) norit in hoc se exerceat. Et omnes prudentes illa admittere solent quæ probantur iis qui in sua arte bene versati sunt.* *Arist. 1. Topicorum, cap. 6.* Thirdly, There be Multitudes of Examples, Precedents, Judgments, and Resolutions in the Laws of *England*, the true and unstrained Reason whereof doth decide this Question; for Example: The Dukedom of *Aquitain*, whereof *Gascain* was Parcel, and the Earldom of *Poytiers*, came to King *Henry* the Second by the Marriage of *Eleanor*, Daughter and Heir of *Wm. Duke of Aquitain*, and Earl of *Poytiers*, which descended to *Rich. 1. Hen. 3. Ed. 1. Ed. 2. Ed. 3. &c.* In 27. lib. (c) *Aff. pl. 48.* in one Case there appear two Judgments and one Resolution to be given by the Judges of both Benches in this Case following. The Possessions of the Prior of *Chelsey* in Time of War were seised into the King's Hands, for that the Prior was an Alien born: The Prior by Petition of Right sued to the King, and the Effect of his Petition was, That before he came Prior of *Chelsey*, he was Prior of *Andover*, and whilst he was Prior there, his Possessions of that Priory were likewise seised for the same Cause, supposing that he was an Alien born; whereupon he sued a former Petition, and alledged that he was born in *Gascain* within the Ligeance of the King: Which Point being put in Issue, and found by Jury to be true, it was adjudged that he should have Restitution of his Possessions generally without mentioning of Advowsons. After which Restitution, one of the

(a) 4 Co. 27. a.  
5 Co. 7. a.  
Caudy's Case.  
Cawly 31. Co.  
Lit. 125. a.  
(b) 11 Co. 10. b.  
12 Co. 66.  
13 Co. 12.  
Co. Lit. 125. a.  
8 Co. 130. a.  
Gascain, Gasconia, Gasconia.

(c) Moor 796.  
801.  
Post. 20. b.

said Advowsons became void, the Prior presented, against whom the King brought a *Qua. Imp.* wherein the King was barred; and all this was contained in the latter Petition. And the Book saith, that the Earl of *Arundel*, and Sir *Guy of B.* came into the Court of Common Pleas, and demanded the Opinion of the Judges of that Court concerning the said Case, who resolved, that upon the Matter aforesaid the King had no Right to seize. In which Case, amongst many notable Points, this one appeareth to be adjudged and resolved, that a Man born in *Gascoin* under the King's Ligeance, was no Alien born, as to Lands and Possessions within the Realm of *England*, and yet *England* and *Gascoin* were severall and distinct Countries. 2. Inherited by severall and distinct Titles. 3. Governed by severall and distinct Municipal Laws, as it appeareth amongst the Records in the *Tower, Rot. Vasc. 10 Ed. 1. Num. 7.* 4. Out of the Extent of the Great Seal of *England*, and the Jurisdiction of the Chancery of *England*. 5. The like Objection might be made for Default of Trial, as hath been made against the Plaintiff. And where it was said that *Gascoin* was no Kingdom, and therefore it was not to be matched to the Case in Hand, it was answered, that this Difference was without a Diversity as to the Case in Question; for if the Plea in the Case at the Bar be good, then without Question the Prior had been an Alien; for it might have been said (as it is in the Case at the Bar) that he was born *extra ligeantiam Regis Regni sui Anglie, & infra ligeantiam Domini sui Vasconie*, and that they were severall Dominions, and governed by severall Laws: But then such a Conceit was not hatched, that a King having severall Dominions should have severall Ligeances of his Subjects. Secondly, it was answered, That *Gascoin* was sometime a Kingdom, and likewise *Millain, Burgundy, Bavier, Britain*, and others were, and now are become Dukedoms, *Castile, Arragon, Portugal, Barcelona, &c.* were sometime Earldoms, afterwards Dukedoms, and now Kingdoms. *Bohemia* and *Polonia* were sometimes Dukedoms, and now Kingdoms; and (omitting many other, and coming nearer Home) *Ireland* was before 32 H. 8. a Lordship, and now is a Kingdom, and yet the King of *England* was as absolute a Prince and Sovereign when he was Lord of *Ireland*, as now, when he is stiled King of the same. 10 Ed. 3. 41. an Exchange was made between an *Englishman* and a *Gascoin*, of Lands in *England* and in *Gascoin*; ergo the *Gascoin* was no Alien, for then had he not been capable of Lands in *England*, 1 H. 4. 1. the King brought a Writ of Right of Ward against one *Sybil*, whose Husband was exiled into *Gascoin*;  
Ergo

Vasconia appellata fuit  
tempore Caroli magni regnum de Vasconia.  
Mo. 800.  
Vaugh. 300.

Co. Lit. 7. b.

*Ergo Gascoin* is no Parcel or Member of *England*, for *exilium est patriæ privatio, natalis soli mutatio, legum nativorum amissio*; 4 *E. 3. 10. b.* the King directed his Writ out of the Chancery under the Great Seal of *England*, to the Mayor of (a) *Burdeaux* (a City in *Gascoin*) then being under the King's Obedience, to certify, whether one that was outlawed here in *England*, was at that Time in the King's Service under him in *obsequio Régis*: whereby it appeareth, that the King's Writ did run into *Gascoin*, for it is the Trial that the Common Law hath appointed in that Case. But as to other Cases, it is to be understood, that there be a kind of Writs, viz. *Brevia mandatoria & remedialia*, & *brevia mandatoria & non remedialia*: *brevia mandatoria & remedialia*, as Writs of Right, of *Formedon*, &c. of Debt, *Trespas*s, &c. and shortly, all Writs real and personal, whereby the Party wronged is to recover somewhat, and to be remedied for that Wrong that was offered unto him, are returnable or determinable in some Court of Justice within *England*, and to be served and executed by the Sheriffs, or other Ministers of Justice within *England*, and these cannot by any Means extend into any other Kingdom, Country or Nation, though that it be under the K.'s actual Ligeance and Obedience. But the other kind of Writs that are Mandatory, and not remedial, are not tied to any Place, but do follow Subjection and Ligeance, in what Country or Nation soever the Subject is, as the King's Writ to command any of his Subjects residing in any Foreign Country to return into any of the King's own Dominions, *Sub fide & ligeantia quibus nobis tenemini*. And so are the aforesaid mandatory Writs cited out of the Register of Protection for Safety of Body and Goods, and requiring, that if any Injury be offered, that the same be redressed according to the Laws and Customs of that Place. *Vide le Reg. fol. 26. Stamford Prærog. cap. 12. fol. 39.* saith, That Men born in *Gascoin* are inheritable to Lands in *England*. This doth also appear by divers Acts of Parliament: for by the whole Parliament, 39 *E. 3. cap. 16.* it is agreed, that the *Gascoins* are of the Ligeance and Subjection of the King. *Vide 42 Ed. 3. cap. 2. & 28 H. 6. cap. 5. &c.*

*Guyen* was another Part of *Aquitain*, and came by the same Title: And those of *Guyen* were by Act of Parliament in 13 *H. 4.* not imprinted, *ex Rot. Parliament. eodem anno*, adjudged and declared to be no Aliens, but able to Possess and Purchase, &c. Lands within this Realm. And so doth *Stamford* take the Law. *Prærog. c. 12. f. 59.*

(a) Vaugh. 290.  
9 Co. 31. b.  
2 Rol. 583.  
Co. Lit. 74. a.  
Br. Trial 126.

Vaugh. 401.  
Inf. 486.  
Moor 804.

Inf. 179.

Antea fol. 8. b.

Guyan.  
Guienna.  
13 H. 4. nu. 22.  
Cotton's Abr.  
480.

And thus much of the Dukedom of *Aquitain*, which (together with the Earldom of *Poytiers*) came to King *Henry* the Second (as hath been said) by Marriage, and continued in the actual Possession of the Kings of *England* by ten Descents, viz. from the first Year of King *Henry* the Second, unto the two and thirtieth Year of King *Henry* the Sixth, which was upon the very Point of three hundred Years, within which Dutchy there were (as some write) 4 Archbishopricks, 24 Bishopricks, 15 Earldoms, 202 Baronies, and above a thousand Captainships and Bailiwicks: And in all this long Time neither Book-Case nor Record can be found wherein any Plea was offered to disabie any of them that were born there, by Foreign Birth, but the contrary hereof directly appeareth by the said Book-Case of

(a) Dev. 19. a.  
Moor 796, 801.

Normandy,  
Normannia,  
Normandia.

(a) 27 lib. Aff. 48.  
The Kings of *England* had sometime *Normandy* under actual Ligeance and Obedience. The Question is then, whether Men born in *Normandy*, after one King had them both, were inheritable to Lands in *England*; and it is Evident by our Books that they were: For so it appeareth by the declaratory Act of 17 E. 2. *de Prærog. Reg. c. 12.* that they were inheritable to, and capable of Lands in *England*; For the Purview of that Statute is, *Quod Rex habebit escaetas de terris Normannorum, &c. Ergo Normans* might have Lands in *England*: *Et hoc similiter intelligendum est, si aliqua hereditas descendat alicui nato in partibus transmarinis, &c.* Whereby it appeareth, that they were capable of Lands within *England* by Descent. And that this Act of 17 E. 2. was but a Declaration of the Common Law, it appeareth both by *Bracton* who (as it hath been said) wrote in the Reign of *Henry* the Third, lib. 3. tract. 2. c. 1. f. 116. and by *Britton* who wrote in 5 E. 1. c. 18. that all such Lands as any *Norman* had either by Descent or Purchase, escheated to the King for their Treason, in revolting from their natural Liege Lord and Sovereign. And therefore *Stamford Prærog. cap. 12. fol. 39.* expounding the said Statute of 17 E. 2. cap. 12. concludeth, that by that Chapter it should appear (as if he had said, it is apparent without Question) that all Men born in *Normandy*, *Gascoin*, *Guyen*, *Anjou*, and *Britain*, (whilst they were under actual Obedience) were inheritable within this Realm as well as *Englishmen*. And the Reason thereof was, for that they were under one Ligeance due to one Sovereign. And so much (omitting many other Authorities) for *Normandy*: saving I cannot let pass the Isles of *Jernsey* and *Gersey*, Parts and Parcels of the Dukedom of *Normandy*, yet remaining under the actual Ligeance and Obedience of the King, I think no Man will doubt, but those that are born

Stamf prærog  
18, 39, &c.

Kel. 202, pl. 19.  
4 Inst. 286.  
Co. Litt. 11, b.  
Seld. mare  
clau, lib. 2.  
cap. 19.  
Jernsey and  
Gersey.

born in *Jernsey* and *Gersey* (though those Isles are no Parcel of the Realm of *England*, but several Dominions enjoyed by several Titles, governed by several Laws) are inheritable and capable of any Lands within the Realm of *England*, *1 E. 3. fol. 7.* Commission to determine the Title of Lands within the said Isles, according to the Laws of the Isles; *4 Inst. 286.* and *Mich. 41 E. 3.* in the Treasury, *Quia negotium præd' nec aliqua alia negotia de insula præd' emergentia non debent terminari nisi secundum legem insulae præd', &c.* And the Register, *fol. 22.* *Rex fidelibus suis de Jernsey & Gersey.* K. William the First brought this Dukedom of *Normandy* with him, which by five Descents continued under the actual Obedience of the Kings of *England*, and in or about the 6th Year of King *John*, the Crown of *England* lost the actual Possession thereof, until King *Henry* the 5th recovered it again, and left it to King *Henry* the 6th, who lost it in the 28th of his Reign; wherein were (as some write) one Archbishoprick and six Bishopricks, and an hundred strong Towns and Fortresses, besides those that were wasted in War. *Maud* the Empress, the only Daughter and Heir to *Henry* the First, took to her second Husband *Jeffrey Plantagenet*, Earl of *Anjou*, *Tourain*, and *Mayne*, who had Issue King *H. 2.* to whom the said Earldom by just Title descended, who, and the Kings that succeeded him, stiled themselves by the Name of *Comes Andegav'*, &c. until K. *E. 3.* became King of all *France*; and such as were born within that Earldom, so long as it was under the actual Obedience of the King of *England*, were no Aliens, but natural-born Subjects, and never any Offer made, that we can find, to disable them for foreign Birth. But leave we *Normandy* and *Anjou*, and speak we of the little, but yet ancient and absolute Kingdom of the Isle of *Man*, as it appeareth by divers ancient and authentick Records; as taking one for many. *Artold* King of *Man* sued to King *H. 3.* to come into *England* to confer with him, and to perform certain Things which were due to King *H. 3.* thereupon King *H. 3.* 21 Decemb. ann. regn. sui 34. at *Winchester* by his Letters Patents gave Licence to *Artold* King of *Man* as followeth; *Rex omnibus salutem. Sciatis, quod licentiam dedimus, &c. Artoldo Regi de Man veniendo ad nos in Angl' ad loquend' nobisc', & ad faciend' nobis quod facere debet; & ideo vobis mandamus quod ei Regi in veniendo ad nos in Angl', vel ibi morando, vel inde redeundo nullum faciat' aut fieri permittatis damnum, injur', molestiam, aut gravamen, vel etiam hominib' suis quos secum ducet' & si aliquid eis forisfact' fuerit, id eis sine dilat' faciat' emendari. In cujus, &c. duratur' usque ad fest' S. Mich.* Wherein

two Things are to be observed; 1. That seeing that *Arnold King of Man* sued for a Licence in this Case to the King, it proveth him an absolute King, for that a Monarch or an absolute Prince cannot come into *England* without Licence of the King, but any Subject being in League, may come into this Realm without Licence; 2. That the King in his Licence doth stile him by the Name of a King. It was resolved in 11 H. 8. that where an Office was found after the Decease of *Thomas Earl of Darby*, and that he died seised, &c. of the Isle of *Man*, that the said Office was utterly void, for that the Isle of *Man*, *Normandy*, *Gascoin*, &c. were out of the Power of the *Chancery*, and governed by several Laws; and yet none will doubt, but those that are born within that Isle, are capable and inheritable of Lands within the Realm of *England*. *Wales* was sometime a Kingdom, as it appeareth by 19 H. 6. fol. 6. and by the Act of Parliament of 2 H. 5. c. 6, but whilst it was a Kingdom, the same was holden, and within the Fee, of the King of *England*; and this appeareth by our Books, *Fleta*, lib. 1. cap. 16. 1 E. 3. 14. 8 E. 3. 59. 13 E. 3. Tit. *Jurisdic.* 10 H. 4. 6. *Plow. Com.* 368. And in this Respect, in divers ancient Charters, Kings of old Time stiled themselves in several Manners, as King *Edgar*, *Britannia* Basileus; *Etheldredus*, totius *Albion* Dei providentia Imperator; *Edredus Magni Britann* Monarcha, which among many other of like Nature I have seen. But by the Statute of 12 E. 1. *Wales* was united and incorporated into *England*, and made Parcel of *England* in Possession; and therefore it is ruled in 7 H. 4. f. 13. a. that no Protection doth lie quia moratur in *Wallia*, because *Wales* is within the Realm of *England*. And where it is recited in the Act of 27 H. 8. that *Wales* was ever Parcel of the Realm of *England*, it is true in this Sense, viz. that before 12 E. 1. it was Parcel in Tenure, and since it is Parcel of the Body of the Realm. And whosoever is born within the Fee of the King of *England*, though it be in another Kingdom, is a natural-born Subject, and capable and inheritable of Lands in *England*, as it appeareth in *Plow. Com.* 126. And therefore those that were born in *Wales* before 12 E. 1. whilst it was only holden of *England*, were capable and inheritable of Lands in *England*.

Wales, Cambria, Wallia.  
3 Keb. 402.  
4 Inst. 239, 240.  
&c. *Plow.* 126.  
b. 129.  
Vaugh. 281.

Co. Lit. 130. b.  
Fitz. Prorect.  
23.  
Br. Prorect. 33.  
3 Keb. 405.  
Vaugh. 414.

France, Gallia, Francia.

Now come we to *France* and the Members thereof, as *Callice*, *Guynes*, *Tournay*, &c. which descended to King *Ed.* the Third as Son and Heir to *Isabel*, Daughter and Heir to *Philip le Beau*, K. of *France*. Certain it is, whilst King

King Henry the Sixth had both *England*, and the Heart and greatest Part of *France* under his actual Ligeance and Obedience (for he was crown'd King of *France* in *Paris*) that they that were then born in those Parts of *France*, that were under actual Ligeance and Obedience, were no Aliens, but capable of, and inheritable to Lands in *England*. And that is proved by the Writs in the Register, fol. 26. cited before. But in the Inrolment of Letters Patents of Denization in the Exchequer int' originalia, ann. 11 H. 6. with the Lord Treasurer's Remembrancer, was strongly urged and objected; for (it was said) thereby it appeareth, that King H. 6. in anno 11 of his Reign, did make Denizen one Reynel born in *France*; whereunto it was answered, that it is proved by the said Letters Patents, that he was born in *France*, before King Henry the Sixth had the actual Possession of the Crown of *France*, so as he was *Antenatus*; and this appeareth by the said Letters Patents, whereby the King granteth, that *Magister Johannes Reynel serviens noster, &c. infra regnum nostrum Franc' oriundus pro termino vite sue sit ligens noster, & eodem modo teneatur sicut verus & fidelis noster infra regnum Angl' oriundus, ac quod ipse terras infra regnum nostrum Angl' seu alia dominia nostra perquirere possit & valeat.* Now if that Reynel had been born since Henry the Sixth had the quiet Possession of *France* (the King being crowned King of *France* about one Year before) of Necessity he must be an Infant of very tender Age, and then the King would never have called him his Servant, nor made the Patent (as thereby may be collected) for his Service, nor have called him by the Name of *Magister Johannes Reynel*: But without Question he was *Antenatus*, born before the King had the actual and real Possession of that Crown.

*Callice* is a Part of the Kingdom of *France*, and never was Parcel of the Kingdom of *England*, and the Kings of *England* enjoyed *Callice* in and from the Reign of K. Edw. the Third, until the Loss thereof in Queen Mary's Time, by the same Title that they had to *France*. And it is evident by our Books, that those that were born in *Callice*, were capable and inheritable to Lands in *England*, 42 E. 3. 6. 10. *Vide* 21 H. 7. 33. b. 19 H. 6. 2 E. 4. 1. a. b. 39 H. 6. 39. a. 21 E. 4. 18. a. 28 H. 6. 3. b. By all which it is manifest, that *Callice* being Parcel of *France* was under the actual Obedience and Commandment of the King, and by Consequent those that were born there, were natural-born Subjects, and no Aliens. *Callice* from the Reign of King Ed. 3. until the fifth Year of Queen Mary, remained under the actual Obedience of the King of Engl.

Guinea

*Callice*, *Calicia*, *Calerum*.  
Kelw. 202. pl.  
19. 2 And. 116.  
Br. Trial 58,  
133.  
Br. Error 1. 1.  
Br. Cinque  
Ports 10.  
Vaugh. 401,  
4 Inst. 282.

Fitz. Protect.  
13.  
Guynes.  
Tournay.  
Dy. 224. pl. 29.  
Vaugh. 282.

*Guines* also, another Part of *France*, was under the like Obedience to King *Henry* the Sixth, as appeareth by 31 *H. 6. fol. 4.* And *Tournay* was under the Obedience of *Henry* the Eighth, as it appeareth by 5 *El. Dyer, fol. 224.* for there it is resolved, that a Bastard born at *Tournay*, whilst it was under the Obedience of *Henry* the Eighth, was a natural Subject, as an Issue born within this Realm by Aliens. If then those that were born at *Tournay, Callice, &c.* whilst they were under the Obedience of the King, were natural Subjects, and no Aliens, it followeth, that when the Kingdom of *France* (whereof those were Parcels) was under the King's Obedience, that those that were then born there, were natural Subjects, and no Aliens.

Ireland, Hibernia. 12 Co. 108.  
109, &c. 4 Inst.  
349, 350, &c.  
Dav. 60. Praef. 4.  
Rep. 32, 33.

Next followeth *Ireland*, which originally came to the Kings of *England* by Conquest, but who was the first Conqueror thereof, hath been a Question. I have seen a Charter made by King *Edgar* in these Words: *Ego Edgarus Anglorum Basileus, omniumque insularum Oceani, quae Britanniam circumjacent, Imperator & Dominus, gratias ago ipsi Deo omnipotenti Regi meo, qui meum Imperium sic ampliavit & exaltavit super Regnum patrum meorum, &c. mihi concessit propitia divinitas, cum Anglorum Imperio omnia Regna insularum Oceani, &c. cum suis ferocissimis Regibus usque Norvegiam, maximamque partem Hiberniae, cum sua nobilissima civitate de Dublinia, Anglorum Regno subjugare, quapropter & ego Christi gloriam & laudem in Regno meo exaltare, & ejus servitium amplificare devotus disposui, &c.* Yet for that it was wholly conquered in the Reign of *Henry* the Second, the Honour of the Conquest of *Ireland* is attributed to him, and his Stile was, *Rex Angl', Dominus Hiberniae, Dux Normanniae, Dux Aquitaniae, & Comes Andegavorum*, King of *England*, Lord of *Ireland*, Duke of *Normandy*, Duke of *Aquitain*, and Earl of *Anjou*. That *Ireland* is a Dominion separate and divided from *England*, it is evident by our Books, 20 *H. 6. 8.* Sir *John Pilkington's Case*. 32 *H. 6. 25.* 20 *Eliz. Dier* 360. *Plow. Com.* 360. And 2 *R.*

12 Co. 111.  
4 Inst. 351.  
1 And. 263.  
2 And. 116.  
Dav. 37. a.  
Jenk. Cent. 164.  
Br. Parliam. 98.

3. 12. a. *Hibernia habet Parliamentum, & faciunt leges, & nostra statuta non ligant eos, quia non mittunt milites ad Parliamentum* (which is to be understood, unless they be especially named) *sed personae eorum sunt subiecti Regis, sicut Inhabitantes in Calesia, Gasconia & Guyan.* Wherein it is to be observed, that the *Irishman* (as to his Subjection) is compared to Men born in *Calice, Gascoin, and Guyan*. Concerning their Laws, *Ex rotulis Patentium de anno 11 Regis H. 3.* there is a Charter which that King made, beginning in these Words: *Rex, &c. Baronibus, militibus, & omnibus libere tenentibus L. salutem, satis ut credimus vestra*

Co. Lit. 141. a.

*vestra audivit discretio, quod quando bonæ memor' (a) Johannes quondam Rex Angl' pater noster venit in Hiberniam ipse duxit secum viros discretos & legis peritos, quorum communi consilio & ad instantiam Hibernensium statuit & præcepit leges Anglicanas in Hibern' ita quod leges easdem in Scripturas redactas reliquit sub sigillo suo ad seaccarium Dublin.' So as now the Laws of England became the proper Laws of Ireland; and therefore, because they have Parliaments holden there, whereat they have made divers particular Laws concerning that Dominion, as it appeareth in 20 H. 6. 8. & 20 El. (b) Dyer 360. and for that they retain unto this Day divers of their ancient Customs, the Book in 20 H. 6. 8. holdeth, that Ireland is governed by Laws and Customs, separate and diverse from the Laws of Engl. A Voyage Royal may be made into Ireland. Vide (c) 11 H. 4. 7. a. & 7 (d) E. 4. 27. a. which proveth it a distinct Dominion. And in Anno 33 Reg. El. it was resolved by all the Judges of England in the Case of (e) Orurke an Irishman, who had committed High Treason in Ireland, that he by the Statute of 33 H. 8. c. 23. might be indicted, arraigned, and tried for the same in England, according to the Purview of that Statute; the Words of which Statute be, *That all Treasons, &c. committed by any (f) Person out of the Realm of England shall be from henceforth enquired of, &c.* and they all resolved (as afterward they did also in Sir John Perrot's Case) that Ireland was out of the Realm of Engl. and that Treasons committed there, were to be tried within England by that Statute. In the Statute of 4 H. 7. cap. 24. of (g) Fines, Provision is made for them that be out of this Land, and it is holden in *Plow. Com.* in *Storwel's Case* 375, that he that is in Ireland is out of this Land, and consequently within that Proviso. Might not then the like Plea be devised as well against any Person born in Ireland, as (this is against Calvin that is a *Postnatus*) in Scotland? For the Irishman is born *extra ligeantiam regis regni sui Angl'*, &c. which be *verba operativa* in the Plea: But all Men know, that they are natural-born Subjects, and capable of and inheritable to Lands in England. Lastly, to conclude this Part with (h) Scotland itself; in ancient Time Part of (i) Scotland (besides Berwick) was within the Power and Ligeance of the King of England as appeareth by our Books (k) 42 E. 3. 2. b. the Lord Beaumont's Case, 11 E. 3. c. 2, &c. and by Precedents hereafter mentioned; and that Part (though it were under the King of England's Ligeance and Obedience) yet was it governed by the Laws of Scotland. *Ex rotulis Scotiæ, Anno 11 Ed. 3.* amongst the Records in the Tower of London. *Rex, &c. Constituimus Rich. Talebot Justiciarium nostrum villæ Berwici**

(a) Co. Lit. 141. b. 2 Vent.

(b) 9 Co. 117. b. Art. 186.

(c) Fitz. Protect. 24. Br. Protect. 34.

(d) Fitz. Protect. 16. Br. Protect. 72.

(e) 3 Inst. 11, 18, 24. Co. Lit. 261. b. 1 A. d. 262, 263. 2 Vent. 4. Cart. 190.

(f) 35 H. 8. c. 2.

(g) Cawly 93. Co. Lit. 261. b. 3 Inst. 11.

(h) 3 Inst. 18. Plowd. 368. b. Scotland, Scotia.

(i) Heylin's Cosmog. lib. 4. p. 305, 306.

(k) Fitz. Brief 551.

*Berwici super Twedam, ac omnium aliarum terrarum nostrarum in partibus Scot', ad faciend' omnia & singula quæ ad officium Justiciarum pertinent, secundum legem & consuetudinem regni Scot'. And after anup. 26 E. 3. ex eodem rot. Rex Henrico de Percey & Ricardo de Nevil, &c. Volumus & vobis & alteri vestrum tenore præsentium committimus & mandamus, quod homines nostri de Scot' ad pacem & obedientiam nostram existentes, legibus, libertatibus, & liberis consuetudinibus, quibus ipsi & antecessores sui tempore celebris memor' Alexandri quondam Regis Scot' rationabiliter usi fuerunt, uti & gaudere deberent, prout in quibusdam indenturis, &c. plenius dicitur contineri. And there is a Writ in the Register 295. a. Dedimus potestatem recipiendi ad fidem & pacem nostram homines de Galloway.* Now the

(a) Fitz. Brief 551. Ant. 23. a. Case in (a) 42 Ed. 3. 2. b. (which was within sixteen Years of the said Grant, concerning the Laws in 26 E. 3.) ruleth it, That so many as were born in that Part of Scotland, that was under the Ligeance of the King, were no Aliens, but inheritable to Lands in England; yet was that Part of Scotland in another Kingdom governed by several Laws, &c. And if they were natural Subjects in that Case, when the King of England had but Part of Scotland, what Reason should there be, why those that are born there, when the King hath all Scotland, should not be natural Subjects, and no Aliens? So likewise (b) Berwick is no Part of England, nor governed by the Laws of Engl. and yet they that have been born there, since they were under the Obedience of one King, are natural-born Subjects, and no Aliens, as it appeareth in 15 R. 2. cap. 7, &c. Vide (c) 19 H. 6. 35. b. & 39 H. 6. 39. a. And yet in all these Cases and Examples, if this new devised Plea had been sufficient, they should have been all Aliens against so many Judgments, Resolutions, Authorities, and judicial Precedents in all Successions of Ages. There were sometimes in England, whilst the Heptarchy lasted, seven several crowned Kings of seven several and distinct Kingdoms, but in the End the West Saxons got the Monarchy, and all the other Kings melted (as it were) their Crowns to make one imperial Diadem, for the King of the West Saxons over all. Now when the Whole was under the actual and real Ligeance and Obedience of one King, were any that were born in any of those several and distinct Kingdoms, Aliens one to another? Certainly they being born under the Obedience of one King and Sovereign, were all natural-born Subjects, and capable of and inheritable unto any Lands in any of the said Kingdoms.

(a) Fitz. Brief 551. Ant. 23. a.

Berwick.  
(b) 1 Sid. 381, 382.

(c) Fitz. Prorect. 8. Br. Prorect. 49.

In the holy History reported by St. Luke, *ex dictamine Spiritus Sancti*, cap. 21 & 22 *Act. Apostolorum*, it is certain, that St. Paul was a Jew, born in Tarsus, a famous City of Cilicia; for it appeareth in the said 21st Chapter, Ver. 39. by his own Words, *Ego homo sum quidem Judeus a Tarso Ciliciæ non ignot' civitatis municeps*. And in the 22d Chapter, Verse 3. *Ego sum Vir Judeus natus Tarso Ciliciæ, &c.* and then made that excellent Sermon there recorded, which when the Jews heard, the Text saith, Verse 22. *Levarunt vocem suam dicentes, tolle de terra hujusmodi, non enim fas est eum vivere; vociferantibus autem eis & projicientibus vestimenta sua, & pulverem jactantibus in aerem, Claudius Lysias* the popular Tribune, to please this turbulent and prophane Multitude (though it were utterly against Justice and common Reason) the Text saith, *Fussit Tribunus induci eum in castra, 2. flagellis cedi, and 3. torqueri eum (quid ita?) ut sciret propter quam causam sic acclamarent*; and when they had bound Paul with Cords, ready to execute the Tribune's unjust Commandment, the blessed Apostle (to avoid unlawful and Sharp Punishment) took hold of the Law of a Heathen Emperor, and said to the Centurion standing by him, *Si hominem Romanum & indemnatum licet vobis flagellare?* Which when the Centurion heard, he went to the Tribune and said, *Quid acturus es? Hic enim homo cives Romanus est*. Then came the Tribune to Paul, and said unto him; *Dic mihi si tu Romanus es? At ille dixit, etiam*. And the Tribune answered, *Ego multa summa civitatem hanc consequutus sum*. But Paul not meaning to conceal the Dignity of his Birth-right said, *Ego autem & natus sum*: As if he should have said to the Tribune, you have your Freedom by Purchase of Money, and I (by a more noble Means) by Birth-right and Inheritance. *Protinus ergo* (saith the Text) *decesserunt ab illo qui illum torturi erant, Tribunus quoque timuit postquam rescivit, quia civis Romanus esset, & quia alligasset eum*. So as hereby it is manifest that Paul was a Jew, born at Tarsus in Cilicia, in Asia Minor, and yet being born under the Obedience of the Roman Emperor, he was by Birth a Citizen of Rome in Italy in Europe, that is, capable of and inheritable to all Privileges and Immunities of that City. But such a Plea as is now imagined against Calvin might have made St. Paul an Alien to Rome. For if the Emperor of Rome had several Ligeances for every several Kingdom and Country under his Obedience, then might it have been said against St. Paul, that he was *extra lige-*

*ligeantiam Imperatoris regni sui Italiae, & infra ligeantiam Imperatoris regni sui Cilicie, &c.* But as St. Paul was *Judeus patria & Romanus privilegio, Judeus natione & Romanus jure nationum*; so may Calvin say, that he is *Scotus patria, & Anglus privilegio, Scotus natione & Anglus jure nationum*.

*Samaria* in *Syria* was the chief City of the ten Tribes; but it being usurped by the King of *Syria*, and the *Jews* taken Prisoners, and carried away in Captivity, was after inhabited by the *Panym*s. Now albeit *Samaria* of Right belonged to *Jewery*, yet because the People of *Samaria* were not under actual Obedience, by the Judgment of the chief Justice of the whole World they were adjudged *Alienigenæ*, Aliens: For in the Evangelist St. *Luke*, c. 17. when Christ had cleansed the ten Lepers, *Unus autem ex illis* (saith the Text) *ut vidit quia mandatus esset, regressus est, cum magna voce magnificans Deum & cecidit in faciem ante pedes ejus gratias agens, & hic erat Samaritanus. Et Jesus respondens dixit, nonne decem mundati sunt, & novem ubi sunt? Non est inventus qui rediret & daret gloriam Deo nisi hic Alienigena.* So as by his Judgment this *Samaritan* was *Alienigena*, a Stranger born, because he had the Place, but wanted Obedience. *Et si desit obedientia non adjuvat locus.* And this agreeth with the Divine, who saith, *Si locus salvare potuisset, Satan de cælo pro sua inobedientia non cecidisset. Adam in Paradiso non cecidisset, Lot in monte non cecidisset, sed potius in Sodom.*

6. Now resteth the sixth Part of this Division, that is to say, six demonstrative Illations or Conclusions, drawn plainly and expressly from the Premisses.

1. Every one that is an Alien by Birth, may be, or might have been an Enemy by Accident; but Calvin could never at any Time be an Enemy by any Accident; *Ergo*, he cannot be an Alien by Birth. *Vide 33 H. 6. f. 1. a. b.* the Difference between an Alien Enemy, and a Subject Traitor. *Hostes sunt qui nobis, vel quibus nos bellum decernimus, ceteri proditores, prædones, &c.* The major is apparent, and is proved by that which hath been said. *Et vide Magna Charta, cap. 30. 19 E. 4. 6. 9 E. 3. c. 1. 27 E. 3. c. 2. 4 H. 5. c. 7. 14 E. 3. stat. 2. c. 2, &c.*

2. Whosoever are born under one natural Ligeance and Obedience due by the Law of Nature to one Sovereign, are natural-born Subjects: But Calvin was born under one natural Ligeance and Obedience, due by the Law of Nature to one Sovereign; *Ergo* he is a natural born Subject.

3. Whosoever is born within the King's Power or Protection, is no Alien: But *Calvin* was born under the King's Power and Protection; *Ergo* he is no Alien.

4. Every Stranger born must at his Birth be either *amicus*, or *inimicus*: But *Calvin* at his Birth could neither be *amicus* nor *inimicus*; *Ergo* he is no Stranger born. *Inimicus* he cannot be, because he is *subditus*, for that Cause also he cannot be *amicus*; neither now can *Scotia* be said to be *solum amici*, as hath been said.

5. Whatsoever is due by the Law or Constitution of Man, may be altered: But natural Ligeance or Obedience of the Subject to the Sovereign cannot be altered; *Ergo* natural Ligeance or Obedience to the Sovereign is not due by the Law or Constitution of Man. Again, whatsoever is due by the Law of Nature, cannot be altered: But Ligeance and Obedience of the Subject to the Sovereign is due by the Law of Nature; *Ergo* it cannot be altered. It hath been proved before, that Ligeance or Obedience of the Inferior to the Superior, of the Subject to the Sovereign, was due by the Law of Nature many thousand Years before any Law of Man was made: Which Ligeance or Obedience (being the only Mark to distinguish a Subject from an Alien) could not be altered; therefore it remaineth still due by the Law of Nature. For *Leges nature perfectissimæ sunt & immutabiles, humani vero juris conditio semper in infinitum decurrit, & nihil est in eo quod perpetuo stare possit. Leges humane nascuntur, vivunt, & moriuntur.* Sawyer's Argument in Quo Warranto 25.

Lastly, whosoever at his Birth cannot be an Alien to the King of *England*, cannot be an Alien to any of his Subjects of *England*: But the Plaintiff at his Birth could be no Alien to the King of *England*; *Ergo* the Plaintiff cannot be an Alien to any of the Subjects of *England*. The *Major* and *Minor* both be *propositiones perspicue veræ*. For as to the *Major* it is to be observed, that whosoever is an Alien born, is so accounted in Law in respect of the King: And that appeareth first by the Pleading so often before remembred, that he must be *extra ligeantiam Regis*, without any mention making of the Subject. 2. When an Alien born purchaseth any Lands, the King only shall have them, though they be holden of a Subject, in which Case the Subject loseth his Seigniorie. And as it is said in our Books, an Alien may purchase *ad proficuum Regis*; but the Act of Law giveth the Alien nothing: And therefore if a Woman Alien marrieth a Subject, she shall not be endowed, neither shall an Alien be Tenant by the Curtesy. *Vide* 3 *H. 6. 55. a. 4 H. 3. 179. 3.* The Subject shall plead, that the Defendant is an

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Alien born, for the Benefit of the King, that so he upon Office found may seize, and 2. that the Tenant may yield to the King the Land, and not to the Alien, because the King hath best Right thereunto. 4. Leagues between our Sovereign and others are the only Means to make Aliens Friends, & *fœdera percutere*, to make Leagues, only and wholly pertaineth to the King. 5. Wars do make Aliens Enemies, and *bellum indicere* belongeth only and wholly to the King, and not to the Subject, as appeareth in 19 *Ed. 4. fol. 6. b.* 6. The King only without the Subject may make not only Letters of safe Conduct, but Letters Patents of Denization, to whom, and how many he will, and enable them at his Pleasure to sue any of his Subjects in any Action whatsoever, real or personal, which the King could not do without the Subject, if the Subject had any Interest given unto him by the Law in any Thing concerning an Alien born. Nay, the Law is more precise herein than in a Number of other Cases, of higher Nature: For the King cannot grant to any other to make of Strangers born Denizens, it is by the Law it self so inseparably and individually annexed to his Royal Person (as the Book is in 20 *H. 7. fol. 8.*) For the Law esteemeth it a Point of high Prerogative, *jus Majestatis*, & *inter insignia summæ potestatis*, to make Aliens born Subjects of the Realm, and capable of the Lands and Inheritances of *Engl.* in such sort as any natural-born Subject is. And therefore by the Statute of 27 *H. 8. c. 24.* many of the most ancient Prerogatives and royal Flowers of the Crown, as Authority to pardon Treason, Murther, Man-slaughter, and Felony, Power to make Justices in Eyre, Justices of Assise, Justices of Peace and Gaol-Delivery, and such like, having been severed and divided from the Crown, were again reunited to the same: But Authority to make Letters of Denization, was never mentioned therein to be resumed, for that never any claimed the same by any Pretext whatsoever, being a Matter of so high a Point of Prerogative. So as the Pleading against an Alien, the Purchase by any Alien, Leagues and Wars between Aliens, Denizations, and safe Conducts of Aliens, have Aspect only and wholly unto the King. It followeth therefore, that no Man can be Alien to the Subject that is not Alien to the King. *Non potest esse alienigena corpori, qui non est capiti, non gregi qui non est Regi.*

The Authorities of Law cited in this Case for Maintenance of the Judgment, 4 *H. 3. tit. Dower. Bracton, lib. 5. fol. 427. Fleta, lib. 6. cap. 47. In temps E. 1. Hingham's Report. 17 Edw. 2. cap. 12. 11 Edw. 3. cap.*

cap. 2. 14 Ed. 3. Statut. de Francia. 42 Ed. 3. fol. 2. 42 Ed. 3. cap. 10. 22 Lib. Aff. 25. 13 Rich. 2. cap. 2. 15 Rich. 2. cap. 7. 11 Hen. 4. fol. 26. 14 Hen. 4. fol. 19. 13 H. 4. Statutum de Guyan. 29 Hen. 6. tit. Estoppel 48. 28 H. 6. cap. 5. 32 Hen. 6. fol. 23. 32 Hen. 6. f. 26. Littl. remps Ed. 4. lib. 2. cap. Villenage. 15 Ed. 4. fol. 15. 19 Ed. 4. 6. 22 Ed. 4. cap. 8. 2 Rich. 3. 2. & 12. 6 Hen. 8. fol. 2. Dyer. 14 H. 8. cap. 2. No manner of Stranger born out of the King's Obeysance, 22 H. 8. c. 8. Every Person born out of the Realm of England, out of the King's Obeysance, 32 H. 8. c. 16. 25 H. 8. c. 15, &c. 4 Ed. 6. Plowd. Comment. fol. 2. Fogassa's Case. 2 & 3 Ph. & Mar. Dyer 145. Shirley's Case. 5 El. Dyer 224. 13 El. c. 7. de Bankrupts. All Commissions ancient and late, for the finding of Offices, to intitule the King to the Lands of Aliens born: Also all Letters Patents of Denization of ancient and later Times do prove, That he is no Alien that is born under the King's Obedience.

Now we are come to consider of legal Inconveniences: And first of such as have been objected against the Plaintiff, and secondly of such as should follow, if it had been adjudged against the Plaintiff. The 5. general part concerning Inconveniences.

Of such Inconveniences as were objected against the Plaintiff, there remain only four to be answered; for all the rest are clearly and fully satisfied before: 1. That if *Postnati* should be inheritable to our Laws and Inheritances, it were reason they should be bound by our Laws; but *Postnati* are not bound by our Statute or Common Laws; for they having (as it was objected) never so much Freehold or Inheritance, cannot be returned of Juries, nor subject to Scot or Lot, nor chargeable to Subsidies or Quinzimes, nor bound by any Act of Parliament made in *Engl.* 2. Whether one be born within the Kingdom of *Scotland*, or no, is not triable in *England*, for that it is a Thing done out of this Realm, and no Jury can be returned for the Trial of any such Issue: And what Inconvenience should thereof follow, if such Pleas that wanted Trial should be allowed (for then all Aliens might imagine the like Plea) they that objected it, left it to the Consideration of others. 3. It was objected, that this Innovation was so dangerous, that the certain Event thereof no Man could foresee, and therefore, some thought it fit, that Things should stand and continue as they had been in former Time, for fear of the worst. 4. If *Postnati* were by Law legitimated in *England*, it was objected what Inconvenience and Confusion should

follow, if (for the Punishment of us all) the King's Royal Issue should fail, &c. whereby those Kingdoms might again be divided. All the other Arguments and Objections that have been made, have been all answered before, and need not to be repeated again.

1. To the first it was resolved, That the Cause of this doubt was the Mistaking of the Law: For if a *Postnatus* do purchase any Lands in *England*, he shall be subject in respect thereof, not only to the Laws of this Realm, but also to all Services and Contributions, and to the Payment of Subsidies, Taxes, and Publick Charges, as any Denizen or *Englishman* shall be; nay, if he dwell in *England*, the King may command him by a Writ of *Ne exeat Regnum*, that he depart not out of *England*. But if a *Postnatus* dwell in *Scotland*, and have Lands in *England*, he shall be chargeable for the same to all Intents and Purposes, as if an *Englishman* were Owner thereof, and dwelt in *Scotland*, *Ireland*, in the Isles of *Man*, *Jernsey*, or *Gersey*, or elsewhere. The same Law is of an *Irishman* that dwells in *Ireland*, and hath Land in *England*. But if *Postnati*, or *Irishmen*, Men of the Isles of *Man*, *Jernsey*, *Gersey*, &c. have Lands within *England*, and dwell here, they shall be subject to all Services and Publick Charges within this Realm, as any *Englishman* shall be. So as to Services and Charges, the *Postnati* and *Englishmen* born are all in one Predicament.

2. Concerning the Trial, a threefold Answer was thereunto made and resolved: 1. That the like Objection might be made against *Irishmen*, *Gascoins*, *Normans*, Men of the Isles of *Man*, *Jernsey*, and *Gersey*, of *Berwick*, &c. all which appear by the Rule of our Books to be natural-born Subjects; and yet no Jury can come out of any of those Countries and Places, for Trial of their Births there. 2. If the Demandant or Plaintiff in any Action concerning Lands be born in *Ireland*, *Jernsey*, *Gersey*, &c. out of the Realm of *England*, if the Tenant or Defendant plead, that he was born out of the Ligeance of the King, &c. the Demandant or Plaintiff may reply, that he was born under the Ligeance of the King at such Place within *England*; and upon the Evidence the Place shall not be material, but only the Issue shall be, whether the Demandant or Plaintiff were born under the Ligeance of the King in any of his Kingdoms or Dominions whatsoever: And in that Case the Jury (if they will) may find the special Matter, *viz.* the Place where he was born, and leave it to the Judgment of the Court: and that Jurors may take Knowledge of Things done

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out of the Realm in this and like Cases, *Vide* 7 H. 7. 8. 4. 20 Ed. 3. *Averment* 34. 5 Ric. 2. tit. *Trial* 54. 15 Ed. 4. 15. 32 H. 6. 25. *Fitz. Nat. Br.* 196. *Vide Doredale's Case*, in the *sixth Part of my Reports*, fol. 47. and there divers other Judgments be vouched. 3 *Brown*, in anno 32 H. 6. reporteth a Judgment then lately given, that where the Defendant pleaded, that the Plaintiff was a *Scot*, born at *St. Johns Town in Scotland*, out of the Ligeance of the King; whereupon they were at Issue, and that Issue was tried where the Writ was brought, and that appeareth also by 27 *Aff. pl.* 24. that the Jury did find the Prior to be born in *Gascoin*: (for so much is necessarily proved by the Words *trove suit*.) And 20 Ed. 3. tit. *Averment* 34. in a *juris utrum*, the Death of one of the Vouchees was alledged at such a Castle in *Britain*, and this was inquired of by the Jury: And it is holden in 5 Ric. 2. tit. *Trial* 54. That if a Man be adhering to the Enemies of the King in *France*, his Land is forfeitable, and his Adherency shall be tried where the Land is, as oftentimes hath been done, as there it is said by *Belknap*: And *Fitz. Nat. Br.* 195. in a *Mortdanc*, if the Ancestor died *in itinere peregrinationis sue vers. terram sanctam*, the Jury shall inquire of it. But in the Case at Bar, seeing the Defendant hath pleaded the Truth of the Case, and the Plaintiff hath not denied it, but demurred upon the same, and thereby confessed all Matters of Fact, the Court now ought to judge upon the special Matter, even as if a Jury upon an Issue joined in *England*, as is aforesaid, had found the special Matter, and left it to the Court.

3. To the Third it was answered and resolved, That this Judgment was rather a Renovation of the Judgments and Censures of the Reverend Judges and Sages of the Law in so many Ages past, than any Innovation, as appeareth by the Books and Book-cases before recited: neither have Judges Power to judge according to that which they think to be fit, but that which out of the Laws they know to be right and consonant to Law. *Judex bonus nihil ex arbitrio suo faciat, nec proposito domesticæ voluntatis, sed juxta leges & jura pronuntiet.* And as for *timores*, Fears grounded upon no just Cause, *Qui non cadunt in constantem virum, vani timores estimandi sunt.*

4. And as to the Fourth, it is less than a Dream of a 2 Ventris 6. Shadow, or a Shadow of a Dream: for as it hath been often said, natural Legitimation respecteth actual Obedience to the Sovereign at the Time of the Birth: for as the *Antenati* remain Aliens as to the Crown of *Engl.* because they were born when there were several Kings of the several Kingdoms, and the

Note, on the Abdication of K. J. 2. they were divided; but are now consolidated by the Union Act.

uniting of the Kingdoms by descent subsequent, cannot make him a Subject to that Crown to which he was an Alien at the Time of his Birth: So albeit the Kingdoms (which Almighty God of his infinite Goodness and Mercy divert) should by descent be *divided*, and governed by several Kings; yet it was resolved, That all those that were born under one natural Obedience, while the Realms were united under one Sovereign, should remain natural-born Subjects, and no Aliens; for that Naturalization due and vested by Birth-right, cannot by any Separation of the Crowns afterward be taken away: nor he that was by Judgment of Law a natural Subject at the Time of his Birth, become an Alien by such a Matter *ex post facto*. And in that Case, upon such an Accident, our *Postnatus* may be *ad fidem utriusque Regis*, as *Bracton* saith in the afore-remembered Place, fol. 427. *Sicut Anglicus non auditur in placitando aliquem de terris & tenement' in Francia, ita nec debet Francigena & alienigena, qui fuerit ad fid' Reg' Fran', audiri placitando in Angl': sed tamen sunt aliqui Francigenæ in Franc' qui sunt ad fidem utriusque; & semper fuerunt ante Normanniam deperditam & post, & qui placitant hic & ibi, ea ratione qua sunt ad fidem utriusque, sicut fuit Willielmus comes marescallus & manens in Anglia, & M. de Gynes manens in Francia, & alii plures.* Concerning the Reason drawn from the (a) Etymologies, it made against them, for that by their own Derivation, *alienæ gentis*, and *alienæ ligeantiae* is all one: But Arguments drawn from Etymologies, are too weak and too light for Judges to build their Judgments upon: for *Sæpenumero ubi proprietas (b) verborum attenditur, sensus veritatis amittitur*: and yet when they agree with the Judgment of Law, Judges may use them for Ornaments. But on the other side, some Inconveniences should follow, if the Plea against the Plaintiff should be allowed: for first it maketh Ligeance local; *videlicet, Ligeantia Regis Regni sui Scotiæ, and Ligeantia Regis Regni sui Angliæ*: whereupon should follow, First, That Faith or Ligeance, which is universal, should be confined within local Limits and Bounds: Secondly, That the Subjects should not be bound to serve the King in Peace or in War out of those Limits; Thirdly, It should Illegitimate many, and some of noble Blood, which were born in *Gascoin, Guyan, Normandy, Callice, Tournay, France*, and divers other of his Majesty's Dominions, whilst the same were in actual Obedience

(a) Co. Lit. 66. b.

(b) 9Co. 110. b.

Obedience, and in *Berwick, Ireland, Jernsey* and *Gersey*, if this Plea should have been admitted for good. And thirdly, this strange and new devised Plea inclineth too much to countenance that dangerous and desperate Error of the *Spencers*, touched before, to receive any Allowance within *Westminster-Hall*.

In the proceeding of this Case, these Things were observed, and so did the Chief Justice of the Common Pleas publicly deliver in the End of his Argument in the Exchequer Chamber. First, that no Commandment or Message by Word or Writing was sent or delivered from any whatsoever to any of the Judges, to cause them to incline to any Opinion in this Case; which I remember, for that it is honourable for the State, and consonant to the Laws and Statutes of this Realm. Secondly, There was observed, what a Concurrence of Judgments, Resolutions, and Rules there be in our Books in all Ages concerning this Case, as if they had been prepared for the deciding of the Question of this Point: and that (which never fell out in any doubtful Case) no one Opinion in all our Books is against this Judgment. Thirdly, That the five Judges of the King's Bench, who adjourned this Case into the Exchequer-Chamber, rather adjourned it for weight than difficulty, for all they in their Arguments *una voce* concurred with the Judgment. Fourthly, That never any Case was adjudged in the Exchequer-Chamber with greater Concordance and less Variety of Opinions, the Lord Chancellor and twelve of the Judges concurring in one Opinion. Fifthly, That there was not in any Remembrance so honourable, great, and intelligent an auditory at the Hearing of the Arguments of any Exchequer-Chamber Case, as was at this Case now adjudged. Sixthly, it appeareth, That *Jurisprudentia legis communis Angliæ est scientia socialis & copiosa*: sociable, in that it agreeth with the Principles and Rules of other excellent Sciences, Divine and Humane: copious, for that *quamvis ad* \* *ea quæ frequentius accidunt jura adaptantur*, yet in a

\* 5 Co. 127. b.

Co. Lit. 218. a.

2 In t. 137.

Carc. 13.

6 C. 1. 87. a.

Case so rare, and of such a Quality, that Loss is the assured End of the Practice of it (for no Alien can purchase Lands, but he loseth them, and *ipso facto* the King is intitled thereunto, in respect whereof a Man would think few Men would attempt it) there should be such a Multitude and *Farrago* of Authorities in all Successions of Ages, in our Books and Book-Cases, for the deciding of a Point of so rare an Accident. *Et sic determinata & terminata est ista questio.*

The Judgment in the said Case, as entered on Record, viz.

*Whereupon all and singular the Premisses being seen, and by the Court of the Lord the now King here diligently inspected and examined, and mature Deliberation being had thereof; for that it appears to the Court of the Lord the now King here, That the aforesaid Plea of the said Richard Smyth and Nicholas Smyth above pleaded, is not sufficient in Law to bar the said Robert Calvin from having an Answer to his aforesaid Writ: Therefore it is considered by the Court of the Lord the now King here, That the aforesaid Richard Smyth and Nicholas Smyth to the Writ of the said Robert do further Answer.*

[See now the Statutes for the Union of both Kingdoms.]

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### BULWER'S Case.

**B**ulwer of Dalling in Norfolk brought an Action on his Case against George Smith, and declared that one Henry Heydon Esq; did recover 20 l. &c. in the Common Pleas against the Plaintiff, and after Judgment, and before Execution, the said Henry Heydon died, and afterwards the said Defendant knowing thereof, at W. in the County of Norfolk to outlaw the Plaintiff upon the said Judgm. in the Name of Henry Heydon *malitiose & deceptivè machinatus est*, in Performance of which the Defendant, Trin. 23 El. at Westminster in Midd. took forth a Writ of *Capias ad Satisfaciend'*, in the Name of the said Henry, upon the said Judgment, directed to the Sheriffs of London, who by the Procurement of the Defendant returned *Non est inventus*; whereupon the Defendant purchased a Writ of Exigent in the Name of the said Henry, which Writ the said Sheriffs by the Procurement of the said Defendant returned, that at several Hustings the said now Plaintiff had been demanded, *Et ad Hustingum de communibus placitis tent' in Guildhalda civitat' præd' die Lun' prox' post festum Apostol' Simonis & Jud', anno supradict' præd' the now Plaintiff quint' exactus fuit, &c. & ideo ipse the Plaintiff utlagatus fuit*: And afterwards Pasch. 24 El. the Defendant purchased out of the said Common Pleas a Writ of *Capias utlagatum*, in the Name of the said Henry, directed to the Sheriff of Norf. to arrest his Body, &c. which Writ did mention that the said now Plaintiff was outlawed *die Lun' prox' ante festum Apostolorum Simonis & Jud', &c.* And the said Writ the Defendant at W. aforesaid in the said County of Norfolk, did deliver to one Robert Godfrey then Deputy to the Sheriff of the said County, to the Intent that he should execute the said Writ, the which Robert by Force of the said Writ took, and arrested the said now Plaintiff, and did imprison him by the Space of two Months, until the now Plaintiff purchased his Charter of Pardon, by Reason of which Outlawry he forfeited all his Goods and Chattels: And upon this Declaration the Defendant did demur in Law; and the principal Cause of the Demurrer was, because this Action by the Pretence of the Defendant, ought

4 Leon. 52, 53.  
Noy 22.

Cr. Jac. 667.  
Cr. El. 629.

ought to have been brought in *Mid.* where the Wrong began, for there (as it was said) the Def. took out as well the *Cap' ad Satisfac'* as the *Exigent* and the *Cap' Utlagat'* also. And altho' the *Cap' Utlagat'* was executed in *Norf.* yet the Action ought to be brought where the Wrong began; as in the Case of *Conspiracy* in 42 *E. 3. 14. a.* and divers other Cases were put; also by the Outlawry which was in *Lond.* all his Goods and Chat. were forfeit. where it is more Reason to bring the Act'n than in *Norf.* But it was answer. and resolved, That the

(a) Cr. El. 574. (a) Action was well brought in *N.* for it is a Maxim in Law, 844. Dyer 38. *Qd' ibi semper debet fieri triatio, ubi jurator meliorem pos-*  
pl. 51. Cr. Car. *sunt habere notitiam.* And in *N.* was the visible Wrong, for  
20, 21. Dyer 40. there the Pl. was imprisoned for the Space of 2 Months, and  
pl. 66. therefore it is great Reason that the Pl. may have his Action  
there, and it doth not appear by the Record what Goods or  
Chatt. the Pl. had at the Time of the Outlawry, but for the  
Aggravating of the Damages, the Pl. may give in Evidence  
what Goods and Chat. he hath forfeited by the Outlawry.  
And this Action doth consist upon 2 principal Parts, the one,  
Matter of Record, and the other Matter in Fact; and none of  
the Matters of Record, but is mixed with Matter of Fact;  
and no Matter of Fact, but it is mix'd with Matter of Re-  
cord: For the Writs and the Outlawry are Matters of Re-  
cord, but mixed with Matters in Fact, *sc.* taking forth, and  
Prosecut. of them by the Def. in the Name of *H. Heydon,*  
which are Matters in Fact; also the Imprisonm. is a Matter  
in Fact, but it is mixed with the Writ of *Cap' utlagat'*, which  
is of Record, *sc.* if the Pl. was arrested by Virtue thereof. And  
Matters in Fact are triable only by the Country, and not  
Matters of Rec. and when one Matter in one County is depend.  
upon the Matt. in the other County, there the Plaintiff may  
(b) chuse in which County he will bring his Act'n, (unless the  
Def. upon the general Issue pleaded, should be prejudic. in his  
Trial, as he would not be in this case,) as if 2 (c) conspire to  
indict a Man in one County, and they by their malicious Pro-  
secut. make the Execut. of their Conspiracy in anoth. County,  
and there cause the Party to be indicted, the Plaintiff may  
have his Act'n of Conspiracy in which County he will, for they  
put their Conspir. in one County in Execut. in the oth. and the  
Matter of Record of the Indictm. is mixed with Matter of  
Fact. But if they conspire in one County, by Force of which  
Conspir' without any other Act by them, he is indicted in ano-  
ther County, there the Writ ought to be brought in the County  
where the Conspir. was, for the Def. have done nothing in the  
County where the Indictm. was, nor were Parties nor Privies to  
the finding of the Indictm. but only by the Conspir. in the other  
county. And that appears in 14 *E. 4. 3. b.* and so the books in (d) 42  
*E. 3. 14. a. 20 (e) H. 6. 10. a. b. F. N. B. (f) 116. b.* and oth. Books are  
well reconciled. If a (g) Manasse be made in *Ess.* by which my  
Ten'ts depart in *Lond.* I shall have my Action in *Ess.* and not  
in

(b) 1 Sid. 218.  
219, 401. 1 Mod.  
Rep. 198, 199.  
Winch 100.  
Larch 262.

1 Brownl. 12. 69.  
Cr. Jac. 533.  
Noy 22.

Hob. 196. 209.  
Dyer 38. pl. 54.  
Cr. El. 574. 844.  
Plow. 530.

(c) 4 Leon. 53.  
2 Rol. Rep. 259.  
Stanf. cor. 166.  
d.

(d) Fitz. Con-  
spiracy 10.  
Br. Conspir. 6.

(e) Br. Lieu 3.  
(f) F. N. B.  
316. m.

(g) Br. Lieu 91.  
Br. Wast 9.

in *Lond.* for in such case I have done nothing in *Lond.* 9 *H. 6.* 42. *b.*

In all cases where the Act'n is founded upon 2 (*a*) things done (*a*) *Dyer* 39. in several Counties, and both are material or traversable, and the one without the other doth not maintain the Action, there *pl. 57.*  
*1 Vent.* 364.

the Pl. may chuse to bring his Act'n in which of the Counties he will, as it is if a Servant be (*b*) retained in one County (*b*) *Fitz. labor.*  
and departs in another, and therewith agree 41 *E. 3.* 1. *b.* 22. *Starham*  
34 *H. 6.* 18. *a.* 38 *H. 6.* 15. *b.* 14 *E. 4.* 6. 20 *H. 6.* 11. 29 *H. 8.* laborers 5.

*Dyer* 38. 20 *E. 3.* 25, &c. So if a man be arrested in Execut. *Br. lieu* 11.  
in one County, and he (*c*) escapes into anoth. County, the Pl. *Dyer* 38. *pl. 53.*  
may chuse to bring his Act'n in which of the Counties he 40. *pl. 70.*

will, and therewith agree 15 *E. 4.* 3. *a. b.* 30 *H. 6.* 6. *a. b.* 4 *Leon.* 53.  
11 *El. Dyer* 278. So in a writ of (*d*) Annuity founded on a (*c*) 4 *E. 4.* 3. *b.*  
prescript. against a man of religion, or body corporate, where *Br. lieu* 72.

the Church or House is in one County, and the Seisin is al- (*c*) 4 *Leon.* 53.  
ledged in anoth. County, the Pl. may chuse in which County *Cr. El.* 271, 625.  
he will bring his Action. 48 *E. 3.* 26. *a. b.* 4 *H. 4.* 1. 4 *H. 6.* 5. *b.* 2 *Rol.* 602.

10 *H. 6.* 19. *a. b.* 39 *H. 6.* 15. *b.* 2 *E. 4.* 28. *b.* 4 *E. 4.* 26. *a.* (*d*) *Dy.* 278. *pl. 5.*  
&c. *F.N.B.* 152. *e.* Otherwise if the Annuity be granted in one *38. pl. 53.*  
county to be paid in anoth. the Act'n lies where the grant was, *Br. lieu* 33, 43,  
and so is \*8 *H. 6.* 23. *b.* So if a man cites one in one County to \* *Br. lieu* 27.  
appear before (*e*) the Admiral in another County, for a thing (*e*) *Hob.* 196.

done in the body of the County, by force of which the party appears, he may have his Act'n in the one County or the oth. at his pleasure, 5 *Ma. Dyer* 159. *b.* 42 *E. 3.* 14. *a.* 44 *E. 3.* 31. *b.* 32. *a.*

46 *E. 3.* 8. *b.* 3 *H. 4.* 3. *a.* 38 *H. 6.* 14. *b.* 14 *E. 4.* 3. *a. b.* The same Law of the Spiritual Court. So if the Def. casts a Protection in one County, and remains in anoth. County, he may bring his Action in which of the Count. he pleases. 20 *H. 6.* 10. *a. b.* So if a

man strikes a Person in one County (*f*), and he dies in anoth. County, the appeal of murder may be brought in the one or the oth. County, and yet the Def. did nothing in the County where the party died, but the (*g*) Death which ensued on the stroke makes the Felony. 18 *E. 3.* 32. 9 *H. 6.* 63. 45 *Aff. pl. 9.* 43

*Ed. 3.* 3 (*b*) *H. 7.* 12. *a.* 4 *H. 7.* 18. 6 *H. 7.* 10. 11 *H. 4.* 93. If a man (*b*) *Br. appeal* 83;  
commits (*i*) a robbery in one county, and carries the goods in- *Br. visn* 78.  
to divers Counties, the Party robbed may have an appeal of (*i*) *Dyer* 39. *pl.*  
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for it is felony in all the Counties where the Goods are car- *Stanf.* 63. *g.*  
ry'd (for felony doth not devest property) but it is not robbery (*Winch* 69.  
(which ought to be done to the person of a man) but only *Latch* 197, 271.  
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- (a) Dy. 40.  
 pl. 70.  
 6 Mod. 194.  
 1 Sand. 238.  
 1 Jon. 41. 44.
- (b) Dyer 38.  
 pl. 53. 54.  
 Heb. 37.  
 1 Cro. 143. 183.
- (c) Dy. 38. pl. 54.  
 39. pl. 57.
- (d) Dyer 38. pl. 54. 39. pl. 57.
- (e) 4 Co. 47. b.  
 Jenk. Cent. 29.
- (f) Dyer 38.  
 pl. 52.  
 Hob. 37.  
 Winch 69.  
 Latch 197.  
 Cr. Car. 143.  
 184.
- rieties of Opin. in our Books. But if a lease be made in one Count. and the land lies in anoth. the Act'n of (a) Wast shall be brought where the land lies, and not where the lease was made, altho' the term be passed, for the land and damages, or damages only for the wast which is local, shall be recovered. 14 E. 4. 3. a. acc. If a man promises to (b) cure one in one county, and misdoth in anoth. County, the Pl. hath his election to bring his Act'n in which of the Count. he will, and therewith agrees 11 R. 2. *Action sur le Case* 37. If a man doth not repair a wall in *Essex*, which he ought to repair, whereby my land in *Midd.* is drowned, I may bring my Action in *Essex*, for there is the Default, as it is adjudged in 7 H. 4. 8. or I may bring it in *Midd.* for there I have the damage, as it is proved by 11 R. 2. *Action sur le Case* 36. So if one forge a (c) deed in one county, and proclaims it in anoth. the Pl. may chuse in which County he will bring his Act'n. 29 H. 8. 38. 22 H. 6. 5. a. b. But when the Def. upon pleading not guilty shall be prejudiced in his trial, there the Pl. hath not election to bring his Act'n in which county he will, (d) 29 H. 8. *Dyer* 38. where *Garwyn* sued an appeal of robbery in the county of *Wilts* where the robbery was done, against *Hussey* and *Gibbs* as accessaries, and declared that the principals named in the writ, and who were attainted, did the robbery in the County of *Wilts*, and that the Def. feloniously at *Lond.* before the robbery done, did abet them to do it, and it was adjudged, that altho' the Pl. can have but (e) one appeal against the principals and accessories, and against the principal of necessity it ought to be brought in the county of *Wilts*, yet because those of the county of *Wilts* upon not guilty pleaded, and *Lond.* cannot join, and those in *Wilts* cannot inquire of a thing in *Lond.* altho' it be transitory (for in case of felony which concerns the life of a man every act shall be tried in the proper county where the act was in truth done) the appeal against the said accessories did abate. 43 E. 3. 17, 18, 19. And it is to be observ. that in all real Act'ns, if any issue rises on the land, or in any Act'n in which the Possess. of the land or (f) local thing, or which rises on the land by reason thereof, is to be recovered, all these shall be brought in the County where the land lies; as in a writ of right of Ward of land, or Writ of Intrusion of Ward, these shall be brought in the County where the land lies; altho' the refusal were, or the Seigniorie be in anoth. county. 29 E. 3. 3. 38 H. 6. 14. b. 22 R. 2. *bre.* 937. acc. So in a writ of right of ward for the body only, it shall be brought in the county where the land is, for that is in the Right and favours of the land. 21 E. 3. 42. 30 E. 3. 25. 9 E. 3. 12, 13. 10 E. 3. 7. acc. and the reason of 40 E. 3. 6. agrees with it, although the Judgment there is mentioned to be given contrary. But a Writ of Ravishment of Ward shall be brought where the Ravishment was, and not where the Land is, or where the Body is carried; for it

is founded on the ravishment. 38 H. 6. 14. b. 22 R. 2. *Brev.* 937. & 12 E. Dy. 289. And a writ forfeiture of marriage shall be brought where the land is, for the writ doth suppose an intrusion into the land; and therewith agrees the said Book in 22 R. 2. & 38. H. 6. 15. a. And a writ *de valore (a) maritagii (a)* Br. lic. 43. shall be brought where the land is; for the Ld. need not make any (b) tender, but if he makes a tender and the other refuses, (b) 5 Co. 127. a. b. and he alledges it in the county, then the writ *de valore maritagii* lies in the county where the refusal was, 22 R. 2. *Brev.* 937. 38 H. 6. 15. a. Writs of *Qu. Imp.* and *Qu. Inseumbravit (c)* (c) F. N. B. 43. c. shall be always brought where the Church is; for by the one the Pl. shall recover his presentment, and by the oth. the Bp's Clerk shall be removed, and the Pl.'s Clerk admitted, 38 H. 6. 14 & 15. accord. Vide 4 Ed. 3. 9. Otherwise it is in the K.'s case. But a *Qu. (d) non admittit* shall be brought in the county (d) Dy. F. N. B. where the refusal was, and not in the county where the church is, because damages are only to be recovered, and the refusal is the beginning of the wrong, and the ground of the Action; and so is the Book adjudged in 38 H. 6. 14, & 15. F. N. B. 47. f. And a *Qu. Imp.* of a Prebend shall be brought in the county where the Cathedral Church is, and not in the county where the body of the Prebend is; for the Pl.'s Clerk is to be induct. and installed in the Cathedral Church, and therewith agrees 21 E. 3. 5. & 2 El. Dy. 194. (e) but 43 E. 3. (e) Dyer 194. 34. & 15 Ed. 3. Br. 325. seem contrary. 24 E. 3. 57. And so the Law is well explain. in a case in which there were different opinions in our Books. And if a Man at the Com. Law had a Rent issuing out of two counties, he could not have had an (f) Assise in one County, because every part of the land in the two counties is charged with the rent, and all should be put in view, as it is agreed in 18 E. 2. *Aff.* 380. 18 E. 3. 32. 10 E. 3. 21. 10 *Aff. p.* 4. & 18 *Aff. p.* 1. But if a man makes a lease *pur auter vie* of land in two counties, rendering rent, and the rent is behind, and *cest' que vie* dies, the lessor shall have an action of debt in which of the count. he will, for now it is changed into debt; and in that case no land shall be put in view, but the person of the debtor shall be only charged by the com. Law. So if a rent be issuing out of the land of B. in two count. and the rent is behind, and he who hath the rent dies, his Ex'ors may have an Action of debt against B. in which of the count. they will, on the Stat. of 32 H. 8. c. 37. for altho' he ought to bring his Action in one of the counties, yet at the com. Law the person of the Def. is chargeable in the Action of debt, and not the land. And before the Stat. of (g) 6 R. 2. c. 2. a Writ of debt and accompt against a Receiver, and such Actions might be brought in such County where the Party might be best brought in to answ. and the Pl. might have declared on a contract or receipt, &c. in any oth. County, *quia debitum & contractus, &c. sunt (h) nullius (h)* 2 Inst. 231. loci. See for that 2 Ed. 3. 44. 6 Ed. 3. 266. & 275. 8 E. 3. 380.

10E.3.7. 19E.3. *Jurisd.* 29. 29E.3.25. 33E.2. Tit. *Jurisd.* 57.  
 40E.3.7. 3 H.6.30. 15E.4.19. 21E.4.88. As in 22 H.6.9. b. &  
 10. a. b. where the K. granted the office of Surveyor of pack.  
 of all manner of clothes within *Lond.* and the libert. thereof,  
 which are in two counties, and the assise was brought in *Midd.*  
 and there *Newton* and *Pafton* said, That there is a great dif-  
 ference betw. an assise of rent and that assise; for where a  
 rent-charge is issuing out of lands in divers Count. every par-  
 cel is chargeable with the whole, and all the Ter-tenants  
 ought to be named; but here the person is charged and not  
 the land, and yet the office for which the assise was broughr  
 did extend in 2 Count. And if a Fine or Feoffm. be made of  
 lands in 2 Count. with Warranty, the *Warrant' chartæ* may be  
 brought in any of the Count. 29E.3.3. a. b. It is purviewed by  
 the Stat. of 7R.2. c. 10. That an assise of *Nov. disseis.* shall for  
 the future be granted and made of a rent behind, due for  
 Tenements in divers Count. to be held *in confin' comitat'*, and  
 thereupon the assise shall be taken and tried by the people of  
 the same Count. in the same manner and form as it is done  
 of a Common of pasture in one County append. to Tenements  
 in another County: For at the Com. Law if a Man had had  
 Com. in land in one County append. or appurtenant to land  
 in anoth. County, he should have 2 several Writs to the Sher-  
 riffs of the several Count. Or if the land to which, &c. lay in  
 one County, and the land in which lay in several Count. there  
 he should have a Writ of assise to the Sher. of the County where  
 the land to which, &c. lay, and several Writs to the Sher. of  
 the Count. where the land in which, &c. lay; and all that  
 appears in the *Regist.* and *F.N.B.* 180. a. And the same Law  
 is when a nuisance is done in one County, and the land to  
 which, &c. is in anoth. County, as it appears also in the *Re-*  
*gist.* and *F.N.B.* 183. k. So that if a Man hath a Rent in 3 or  
 4 Counties, it seemeth that he who is disseised may have se-  
 veral assises to be brought *in confin' comitatum*; for the Let-  
 ter of the Stat. of 7R.2. is general of rent due for Tenements  
 in several Counties. And altho' it hath a reference to the case  
 of Com. of Pasture, &c. yet forasmuch as in the case of Com.  
 of Pasture, if the land in which, &c. lay in several Counties,  
 and the land to which, &c. lay in another County, there should  
 be as many Writs as there are several Counties; thence it  
 follows, that such remedy he shall have who hath a rent is-  
 suing out of lands in many Count. Also the Case of Com. is put  
*exempli gratia & similitudinarie, & null' simile quatuor pe-*  
*di' currit*; and it is not necess. that a Simile should agree in  
 all Points. And the Stat. of 7R.2. was made to satisfy a doubt  
 which was conceived before: for thereby it is enacted, That  
 Writs in such Case shall be made in the Chancery without any  
 manner of contradiction, as well of Disseisins before made,  
 as after to be made. And the Doubt was on the Statute  
 of *Magna Charta, cap. 2. Recognitiones de nova disseisina,*  
*& de*

*Et de morte antecessor' non capiantur nisi in suis comitat'.* And some held that the same was not observ. when the Just. of assise did sit in *confin' comitat'*, and namely when there are 20 Count. mesne between the 2 Counties, as it is in the Book in 5 *E.4.2.b.* But that doubt also might be conceiv. on the said assise of *Nov. disseisin* of Com. when the land in which, &c. is in one County, and the land to which, &c. in another County (which Case without Quest. is not restrained by the said Stat. For assise of *Nov. disseisin* of Com. of pasture lay at the Com. Law, as by the Stat. of *Westm.2.c.29.* appears) 10 *E.3.21.* & 10 *Aff.p.4.* And if need were, the Stat. of *West.2.c.28.* doth extend to the said case of rent, by which it is provided, *Qd' quotiescunque de cetero evener' in cancellar', qd' in uno casu reperit' breve, & in consimili casu, cadente sub eod' jure, & simili indigente remedio, non reperit', concordent clerici in cancellar' in brevi faciendo, &c. vel ad proxim' Parliament' de consensu Jurisperitor' fiat breve.* And the Stat. concludes with the effect of a maxim of the Com. Law, *Qd' cur' dom' regis non debet deficere conquestib' in justit' perquirenda.* 38 *E.3.33.a.* where the case was, that the K. brought a writ of right of the fourth part of the tithes and offerings of the Church of S. *Dunst.* in the West, in *Fleetst.* in the suburbs of *Lond.* against the Prior of S. *John's of Jerusalem* in *Engl.* there *Candish* took Except. to the writ, because altho' this writ was given by the Stat. of *West.2.c.5.* toward the end, and *Artic. cler. c.2.* which Stat. gave, that he shall have a writ *Ad petendum advocacion' decimar' petitar', &c.* And this writ is brought of the 4th part of tithes and offerings, which is not warranted by the Stat. Judgment of the writ, forasm. as the Stat. do not give any writ of the 4th part of tithes. *Thorpe* the Ch. Just. who gave the rule said, altho' the Stat. do not limit by express words, but of tithes, yet those in the Chan. may make a writ in *consim' casu*, and the writ is good enough; wherefore answer. And in 18 *E.2.br. 827.* a writ of Entry was brought in the County of *Suff.* the Ten't pleaded a release of the Ancest. of the Pl. with Warranty, which was denied, and found for the Pl. in *Lond.* by a Jury of *Fridaystreet*, &c. for which the Demand. did recover; and the Ten't brought an Attaint, and there Except. was taken, because in the writ is not comprised to attach the Party, Judgm. &c. And for the Pl. it was said, that the writ was granted to the Sher. of *Lond.* to summon the 24, and attach the 12, and another writ to the Sher. of *Suff.* to attach the Party where the land was, and both the writs were read in Court. To which it was said, that there was no special Law, that did maintain that writ which is out of the com. course. *Beresford* the Ch. Just. who gave the rule, said, in a new Case, a new Remedy, &c. wherefore answer. And therefore if there be Ld. and Tenant, and the Tenancy doth extend into 2 Counties, in this Case if the Rents and Services be behind, the Lord may have several Writs of Customs and Services, for every County one Writ, and shall have them

Co. Lit. 154. a.  
Fitz. assise 26.

9 Co. 88. b.  
Polsea 4. b.

F. N. B. 30. c.

F. N. B. 107. p.

(a) 9 Co. 88. b. to them returnable at one Day in the Common Pleas, and then  
Antea 4. a. to count upon them as his Case is, *quia aliter curia (a)*  
*regis deficeret conquerentibus in iustitia perquirenda*, and  
therewith agree *Fitz. Nat. Brev. 151. b. § 30 Ed. 1. Droit*  
*pl. ultimo*. And that is a good Example, *pro quolibet consi-*  
*mili casu, &c. simili indigente remedio. Vide 12 Ed. 1. Tit.*  
*Attaint 71.* a very good Case; and the Reason and Rule of  
the Book in 21 *Ed. 3. 18.* is to be observed, where the Case  
was, That a Fine was levied of a Manor in one County,  
and the Tenancy lay in another County, now where the *per*  
*que servitia* should be brought was the Question; and it  
was adjudged, that it was well brought in the County where  
the Manor was. And there *Stone* gave the Rule of the  
Court in these Words: He can have no other Writ, for his  
Writ must be according to the Fine, and brought in the  
County where the Note is levied. *Vide 11 Rich. 2. Tit. Ac-*  
*tion sur le Case 36. 7 H. 4. 8. Vide 26 Hen. 6. Tit. Cove-*  
*nant 9. 41 Aff. pl. 12. 9 Hen. 5. 6. 22 Hen. 6. 5.* And in  
the principal Case where it was objected, that the said *Ca-*  
*pias Utlagatum* was erroneous; for it was *proximum ante*  
*festum, &c.* where it should be, *post festum, &c.* The Court  
took no Regard to it; for the Error in the Writ which the  
Defend. himself hath wrongfully brought, shall not (b) ad-  
vantage himself; but in Regard he was imprisoned and  
troubled thereby, that gave the Plaintiff Cause of Action.  
(b) 4 Leon. 54. Also the Court did not regard the Clause that the Defen-  
5 Co. 39. a. b. dant at *W.* in the County of *Norf. &c. malitiose & decep-*  
8 Co. 59. a. tive *machinatus fuit, &c.* for that is so secret and so uncer-  
F. N. B. 21. f. tain, that it cannot be tried.  
Palm. 39, 40.  
2 Sand. 46.  
1 Rol. 757, 759,  
760. *Fitz. Er-*  
ror 92.

# Sir MILES CORBET's Case.

Hill. 27 Eliz.

In the Exchequer.

**B**ETWEEN Sir *Edw. Clere* 2nd *Miles Corbet* then Esq; now a Knight, it was resolved in a Case concerning the Parsonage of *Marham* in the County of *Norf.* That where in the County of *Norf.* there is a special Manner of Common called *Shack*, which is to be taken in arable land, after Harvest until the Land be sowed again, &c. and it began in ancient Time in this Manner; The Fields of arable Land in this Country consist of the Lands of many and divers several Persons lying intermixt in many and several small Parcels, so that it is not possible that any of them without Trespass to the others, can feed their Cattle in their own Land, and therefore every one doth put in their Cattle to feed *promiscue* in the open Field. These Words, *To go Shack*, is as much as to say to go at Liberty, or to go at large: In which the Policy of old Times is to be observed, That the Severance of Fields in such small Parcels to so many several Persons, was to avoid Inclosure, and to maintain Tillage. But it is to be observed, That the said Common called *Shack*, which in the Beginning was but in the Nature of a Feeding because of Neighbourhood for avoiding of Suit, within some Places of that Country, is by Custom altered into the Nature of a Common appendant or appurtenant, and in some Places it retains its original Nature; and the Rule to know it is the Custom and Usage of every several Town or Place, for *\* consuetudo loci est observanda*. And therefore if in the Town of *D. (exempli gratia)* one who hath purchased divers Parcels together, in which the Inhabitants have used to have *Shack*, and long Time since has inclosed it; and notwithstanding always after Harvest the Inhabitants have had *Shack* there by passing into it by Bars or Gates with their Cattle, there it shall be taken as Common appendant or appurtenant, and the Owner cannot exclude them of Common there, notwithstanding he will not common with them, but hold his own Lands so inclosed in Severalty, and that is proved by the Usage, for notwithstanding the ancient Inclosure, the Inhabitants have always had Common there. But if in the Town of *S.* the Custom and Usage hath been, That every Owner in the same Town hath inclosed

\* 4 Co. 28. b.  
6 Co. 67. a.  
10 Co. 146. a.

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their own Lands from Time to Time, and so hath held it in Severalty, there this Usage proves, That it was but in the Nature of *Shack* originally, for the Cause of Neighbourhood, and so it continues, and therefore there he may inclose and hold in Severalty, and exclude himself to have *Shack* with the others. And although in the said Case of the Town of *D.* the Usage hath been, That notwithstanding the Inclosure by divers Inhabitants of late Times, the other Inhabitants have had *Shack* there; yet if a Man hath an ancient Close of ancient Time taken out of the Field, and he and all those whose Estate he hath, have held it always in Severalty, he may well keep it inclosed: For as to such Parcel so anciently inclosed, the *Shack* there doth retain its ancient and original Nature. And he who claims *Shack* there cannot prescribe to have Common in it. *Nota*, a good Resolution, which stands with Reason, and no Inconvenience, Innovation, or Cause of Suits or Trouble can thereupon arise, but Quiet and Repose will be thereby in many Cases established, which I thought fit to be reported, because it is a general Case in the said Country. And at first the Court was altogether ignorant of the Nature of this Common called *Shack*. It was also resolved at the same Time, That if the Commons of the Town of *A.* and of the Town of *B.* are adjoining, and that one ought to have Common with the other by Reason of Neighbourhood, and in the Town of *A.* there are fifty Acres of Common, and in the Town of *B.* there are an hundred Acres of Common; in that Case the Inhabitants of the Town of *A.* cannot put more Cattle into their Common of fifty Acres than it will feed, without any Respect to the Common within the Town of *B.* *nec e converso*; for the original Cause of this Common for Cause of Neighbourhood, was not for Profit, but for Preventing of Suits in a Champain Country; for the reciprocal Escapes of the one Town into the other: And therefore if the Common of the Town of *A.* will feed fifty Beasts, and of the Town of *B.* an hundred Beasts, it is no Prejudice to the one or the other, if the Cattle of one Town escape and feed in the Common of the other Town reciprocally; for if all the Cattle feed *promiscue* together through the whole, it will be no Prejudice to one or the other.

[Note: *The like Intercommoning is in Lincolnshire, Yorkshire, and other Counties.*]

4 Co. 38. b.  
1. Co. Lit. 122. a.

*Cases*

## *Cases upon the Stat. of 13 Ed. I. of Winchester.*

THE Purview of the said Act is, *That from henceforth every County be so well kept, That immediately after Robberies and Felonies committed, fresh Suit be made from Town to Town, and from County to County, &c.* And after the Felony or Robbery is committed, the County shall have no longer Space than 40 Days, within which 40 (a) Days it shall behove them to agree for the Robbery or Trespass, or else that they answer for the Bodies of the Offenders, &c. Upon which Words divers Resolutions have been made.

Westm. 1. c. 9.  
2 Inst. 172.  
3 Inst. 117, 118.

(a) 2 Inst. 477.  
1 Sid. 11

### *Trin. 27 Eliz. in C. B.*

*Trinit. 27. El.* it was held by the whole Court of Common Pleas, in a Case which happened in *Harleston* in the County of *Suffolk*, That if a Man be robbed in his (b) House, be it in the Day or in the Night, the Hundred in which the House is shall not be charged with it: For altho' the Words of the said Act are general, without speaking of any Place in special, yet such Robbery is not within the said Act, for three Reasons: 1. Because every Man's House is his (c) Castle, and he ought to keep and defend it at his (d) Peril; and if any one be robbed in his House, it shall be esteemed his own Default and Negligence. 2. It is not lawful for any other to enter into the House of another for the Safeguard of it, (without the Owner's Consent). 3. Such Robbery for which the Hundred shall answer by Force of the said Act, ought to be committed openly, so that the Country may take Notice of it themselves; for it was adjudged in *Ashpole's Case* next following, that it is not necessary to have Hue and Cry, or Notice given to the Country, neither by the Words of the said Act of 13 Ed. 1. nor by the Meaning thereof; for it may be that the Party robbed was bound, or maimed, &c. so that he cannot make Hue and Cry, or give Notice to the Country, but when a Robbery is secretly done in a House they cannot take Notice of it.

Sendil's Case.

(b) Cro. El. 753.  
3 Leon. 262.  
2 Inst. 569.  
Moor 620.  
(c) Cro. El. 753.  
2 Co. 32. a.  
5 Co. 91. b.  
8 Co. 126. a.  
11 Co. 82. a.  
1 Bulstr. 146.  
(d) 3 Leon. 262.  
Cro. El. 753.  
6 Mod. 105.  
v 2 Co. 66.  
5 Co. 91, 92.  
&c.

### *Trin. 28 El. in C. B. Rot. 725.*

BETWEEN *Ashpole* and the Inhabitants of *Evenger*, it was resolved by the whole Court, That although the Statute is general, and doth not make Mention of any Time, That the Robbery ought to be committed in

*Ashpole's Case*:  
1 Leon. 57.  
4 Leon. 218.  
1 And. 158, 159.  
Goldsb. 55, 56.  
60, 61.

(a) 2 Inst. 569. the Day-time, and out of the (a) Night ; and there the Case  
Moor 620. was, that a Robbery was committed in *January* presently  
1 Leon. 57. after Sun-set, during Day-light ; and it was adjudged that  
4 Leon. 59. 191, the Hundred should answer, because it was a convenient Time  
218, 219. for Men to travel, or be about their Business or Work ; and  
Sav. 82. therewith agreeth the Book in 3 Ed. 3. Coron. (b) 293. That  
Goldsb. 70. if one kills another at the Hour of Evening, and escapes, by  
1 And. 159. the Common Law the Town shall be amerced ; for it is in  
Cr. El. 270. Law accounted Part of the Day, and not of the Night.  
Cr. Jac. 106.  
(b) 4 Leon. 219.  
Stamf. Cor.  
33 b.

*Trin. 29 Eliz. in C. B. Rot. 1027.*

Milborn's Case. **B**etween (a) *Milborn* and the Inhabitants of the Hundred  
(a) Goldsb. 70. of *Dunmow* in *Essex* it was adjudged, That for a Rob-  
4 Leon. 59, 60, bery committed in the Morning, *ante lucem*, the Hundred  
191. Savil 83. shall not be charged, because the Robbery was committed  
(b) 2 Inst. 569. in the (b) Night ; and although no Time be specified in the  
Moor 620. Statute, yet by good Exposition it doth not extend to a  
1 And. 159. Robbery committed in the Night ; for no Laches or Neg-  
Cr. El. 270. ligence can be imputed to the Hundred for Default of well  
Cr. Jac. 106. guarding the Country in the Night ; also in the Night they  
cannot make Pursuit after the Offenders or enquire for them,  
and then to charge them when they are deprived of their  
convenient Means would be very hard. And as it hath else-  
where been often said, it is a good Exposition of a Statute  
to expound it according to the Reason of the Com. Law.  
And at the Com. Law, if a Man be killed in a Town by  
Day, that is, so long as there is full Day-light, and he who  
killed him escaped, the Town where this Felony was com-  
mitted should be amerced for it ; and so it is held in 21 E. 3.  
Coron. 238: *Cum quis felonice occisus fuit per diem, nisi felo  
captus fuit, tota villa illa oneretur.* And therewith agreeth  
also the said Book in 3 Ed. 3. But if such Murder or Man-  
slaughter be committed in the Night, the Town should not  
be amerced by the Common Law, because, (as it hath been  
said) no Laches or Negligence can be imputed to the Inha-  
bitants of the Town ; and God hath appointed the Day for  
Men to labour, travel, and do their Business, and the Night  
to take their Repose and Rest, and therefore the Prophet  
saith, *Posuisti tenebras, & facta est nox, in qua pertranse-*  
*unt bestiæ sylvæ, &c. sol oritur, & congregati sunt, exit homo*  
*ad opus & operationem, & redit vespere :* So savage Beasts  
pass and repass in the Night, and then men are at rest, and  
in the Day Men apply themselves to their Labours and Af-  
fairs, and then the Beasts retire to their Dens. And the  
Poet saith, *Ut jugulent homines surgunt de nocte latrones.*

Psalms 104.

And the Common Law is, Men cannot (*a*) distrain for Rent or Service in the Night, as it is adjudged in 12 E. 3. *Distress* 17. & 11 H. 7. 5. *a. acc.* But for Damage-feazance, a Man may distrain in the Night for the Necessity of the Case; for otherwise perhaps he shall not distrain at all, for before Day they may be taken or stray out of his Land, and therewith agreeth 10 E. 3. 21. And further it is provided by the said Stat. of *Winchester*, That in Cities or great Towns which are inclosed, the Gates ought to be shut from Sun-set till Sun-rising; after which Statute, if in such City or Town inclosed any Murder or Manslaughter be committed in the Day or in the Night, and the Offender escapes, such City or Town shall be amerced. For now the Act hath changed the Reason of the Law, and therefore the Law it self is changed; for *ratio legis est anima legis, & mutata legis ratione, mutatur & lex*. For at the Common Law, if a Man was killed in the Night, as it hath been said, there was not any Fault in the City or Town; but now if they do not keep their Gates shut according to the Statute, by which the Offender escapes, then there is Fault and Negligence in them; and therewith agreeth the Book in 3 E. 3. *Coron.* 299. where the Case is, it was presented, that one killed another in the Night; and it was asked, Where the Felon was? And they said, that he is fled: and because it was in the Night, they ought not to be charged. *Lorether* Justice, who gave the Rule, said, That the Town should be shut, by the Statute, from such an Hour; and because the Townsmen of the Town took him not, all the Town was amerced: Also it was held on the said Act of 13 E. 1. That if divers commit a Robbery, those of the Hundred ought to apprehend all the Felons; for altho' they apprehend some of them, that shall not be sufficient to excuse them. For the Words of the Act of 13 E. 1. are, That they answer for the Bodies of the Offenders; which in Construction was taken, all the Offenders. But now by the Statute of 27 El. *cap.* 13. a new Law is made, amongst others, in these Points following, *viz.* 1. That none shall have an Action on the said Stat. unless the Party robbed doth, so soon he can, give Notice of the said Felony to some of the Inhabitants of some Town, Village, or Hamlet next the Place where the Robbery was committed. 2. If they in their Pursuit do apprehend any of the Offenders, the same shall excuse them, altho' they do not apprehend them all. See the Act of 27 El. *cap.* 13. which hath added to the said Statute of *Winchester* and altered the same in divers Points.

(a) Co. Lit. 142 a. D. & Stud. to 75. a. 4 Leon. 218. Goldsb. 66. 9 Co. 66. a. 1 Rol. 672. Fitz. Avowry. 137.

Styles 14.

Cro. Car 252.

Cro. Cas. 299.

1 Sid. 11.

Inst. 172, 173. 1 Sid. 11.

\* Cited in Cases in Law and Equity 414.

## \* *The Earl of Bedford's Case.*

*Mich. 28 & 29 Eliz.*

IN the Court of Wards, the Case was, That *Francis Earl of Bedford* being seised of certain Houses in the *Strand* in the County of *Midd.* in Tail, *scil.* to him and the Heirs of his Body, and seised of other Lands in Fee held *in Capite*, by Deed indented, made Leases of the said Houses, whereof he was seised in Tail, for 21 Years, rendering Rent (which Leases were not warranted by the Statute of 32 H. 8. but were voidable by the Issues in Tail) and died; the Reversion descended to the Heirs general of the Earl, that is to say, to two Daughters and Heirs of *Henry Lord Russell*, eldest Son of the said Earl, (which *Henry* died in the Life of his Father) and it appeared that the said Leases were to have Continuance after the said Daughters should be out of Ward: And by Office after the Death of the said Earl it was found, that he died seised of the said Estate-tail of the said Houses, and that they descended to the said Heirs general, by Force whereof the said Houses were seised into the Queen's Hands. And in this Case two

(a) Palm. 437.

(b) Lit. Rep. 306.

(c) 3 Bulstr. 273.

Co. L. t. 215. b.

1 Rol. Rep.

402, 442.

(d) 4 Co. 124. a.

8 Co. 44. a.

Palm. 234, 254.

1 Rol. Rep. 401,

442. Br. enuy

cong. 129.

3 Bulstr. 272.

2 Intt. 483.

42 E. 3. 13. a.

Points were resolved: 1. That the (a) King in Privy and Right of the Heirs in Tail, should avoid the said Leases during the Time that they should be in Ward; as if a Bishop makes a Lease for Years not warranted by the Statute, so that the Lease is voidable by the Successor, and dies, the King shall avoid the Lease (b) during the Vacation of the Bishoprick, in Privy and Right of the Bishoprick, for the King in none of the said Cases is as a Stranger. And the same Law is when a Subject is Guardian in Knight's Service he in the Right of the Heir, within Age, and in his Ward, shall avoid voidable Leases as to his own Interest, but it shall not prejudice the Heir of his Election at full Age; for *custos statum heredis in custodia sua existent meliorem, non deteriorem facere potest*. So if the Heir within Age before the Entry of the Guardian, or the Ancestor being within Age, makes a Lease for Years rendering Rent, the (c) Guardian may enter in the Right of the Heir, and shall avoid the Lease. But the Ld. by (d) Escheat shall not avoid voidable Estates made by his Ten't who was an Infant; for regularly, none shall avoid voidable Estates for Infancy, but

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the infant himself or his heirs, but the Guard. shall avoid the said voidable leases in the right of the infant himself, and so a difference; and the (a) K. in the case of a Bish. shall avoid the lease in the right of the bishoprick, which continues altho' the Bish. be dead. And that was one of the points adjudged in the Excheq. in the great case between *Austine* and Sir *J. Baker*, 2 *Mar.* which I have seen, and which shall be related more at large in the Reso. of the 2d point of this case. *Vid. 16 El. Dyer 337. b.* Patentee of *Q. El.* of lands given to a parson and his successors to superstitious uses, shall avoid after his death a lease for life (which is voidable by the successor) made by the parson, by the intent of the Act of 1 *E. 6.* of Chantries. *Vide 7 El. Dy. 239. Hoskins's case.* 2. It was resolved, that altho' the K. in the right of the Heir had avoided it for his Time, yet it doth not avoid the leases so absolutely, that the heirs in tail after the K.'s interest determined, cannot make them good by the acceptance of the rent. For the K.'s Act cannot determine the power and election of the Issues in tail, or of the successor of the Bish. in the case before put, to make the leases good by acceptance of the rent. And when voidable leases being void for a Time shall be always avoided, and when not, this difference was taken and resolved by the Court; *sc.* When the interest of him who makes the avoidance is but for part of the Term, so that it appears that a residue remains; and when he who makes the avoidance avoids the whole interest, so that it appears that no residue can remain; and therefore in the case at bar it appears, that after the K.'s interest determined, there remains a residue of the term. But if the patron of the church of *D.* doth grant the next avoidance to another, and afterwards and before the Stat. of 13 *Eliz.* the parson, patron, and ordinary make a lease for years, rendering rent, and the parson dies, the grantee presents, who is admitted, instituted, and inducted, and dies, this lease was avoided in the whole absolutely, and therefore such lease cannot stand against the second successor, 2 *E. 3. 8.* If an Advowson of a Church by licence be granted to a Prior and his Successors, and afterwards the same Church is appropriated to him and his Successors, so as they be perpetual parsons imparsones, in that case if the wife of the grantor be endowed of the Advowson, and presents a clerk, who is admitted, instituted, and inducted, the appropriation is defeated for ever, for the whole estate of the parson imparsoner is avoided, and so it was adjudged as Sir *Jeff. Scroope* reports in 2 *E. 3. 8.* and in such sense is the book to be understood. For altho' the wife was endowed of the Advowson, yet if she had died before any was admitted and instituted to the same Church at her Presentat. the Church had remained appropriated, and so the *Quare* in 6 *E. 6. 72. Dyer*, is well resolved. So if a Feme covert (as a Feme sole) levies a fine by herself of land, whereof she is seised in fee to another and his heirs; in that

(a) Lit. Rep. 306.

(b) Palm. 437.

1 Co. 51. a.

Hob. 123, 243.

Dyer 337. pl. 38.

3 Leon. 158.

N. Benl. 125.

Pl 258. O. Benl.

29 Palm. 437.

1 Jones 454.

Co. Lit. 46. a.

Hob. 7. Cro.

Car. 582.

1 Rol. 480.

Moor 481.

Co. Lit. 46. b.

Co. Lit. 46. b.

Hob. 225.

10 Co. 43. a.

Co. Lit. 46. a.

2 Rol. 20.

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2 Rol. 20.  
10 Co. 43. a.  
Co, Lit. 46. a.  
1 Jones 457.

Case if the Husband doth not enter, that Fine shall bind the Wife and her Heirs for ever; and in the same Case, if the Husband enters and dies, the Conusee shall not have the Land; for by the Entry of the Husband the whole Estate of the Conusee was defeated, and the old Estate of the Wife reverted in her, and the Husband seized of the whole Estate as in the right of his Wife, and therewith agree 17 E. 3. 52. b. 17 Aff. pl. 17. 7 H. 4. 23. 2 R. 3. 20. 9 H. 6. 33. But when only Part of the Estate or Term is defeated, there it is otherwise, as in the said Case between *Austine* and Sir *J. Zaker* was adjudged, which Case, as I my self have seen, in Effect was, Sir *T. Wyatt* was Tenant in Tail of the Manor of *East feolegh* in the County of *Kent*, viz. to him and to the Heirs Males of his Body, of the Gift of *H. 8.* to hold of him *in capite*, the Reversion to the King, his Heirs and Successors. Sir *Tbo. Wyatt* by Indenture demised the said Manor to *Austine* for 26 Years, rendering 13 l. Rent to the said Sir *Tbo.* and his Heirs, and afterwards Sir *Tbo.* died, and all this was found by Office, and that Sir *T. Wyatt* was his Son and Heir Male of full Age, by which the King had primer Seisin of the Land it self, and for his Interest did avoid the Lease, and afterwards Sir *Tbo.* the Son sued Livery, and accepted of the Rent of *Austine*, and afterward committed High Treason, for which he was attainted. In that Case it was adjudged, that forasmuch as the King had avoided the Lease, but as to his primer Seisin, that after Livery made it is in the Election and Power of the Issue in Tail, by Acceptance of the Rent to affirm the Lease; because the Lease was avoided by the King, but for Part of the Term. So if Tenant in Tail takes a Wife, and makes a Lease for 30, or 40, &c. Years, rendering Rent, which is avoidable by the Issue in Tail, and dies, and afterwards the Wife recovers her Dower, in that case the Wife shall avoid the Lease, and yet, if she dies within the Term, the Issue in Tail at his Election may either affirm or disaffirm the Lease. And it was said, if Tenant in Tail makes a Lease for 30 or 40 Years, rendering Rent, which is avoidable by the Issue in Tail, and afterwards Tenant in Tail dies without Issue, his Wife with Child with a Son, by which the Donor enters, and as to him avoids the Lease, and afterwards the Son is born, the Lessee re-enters, the Son at his full Age may by Acceptance of the Rent affirm the Lease; for the Lease was never avoided absolutely, nor *simpliciter*, but *secundum quid*, and upon the Matter *ex post facto* was defeated but for a Time. And altho' *filius in utero matris, est pars viscerum matris*, (*vide 3 Aff. pl. 2. 22 Aff. pl. 94. 22 Edwardi tertii, Corone 180. Stamford 21.*) yet the Law in many Cases hath Consideration of him in Respect of the apparent Expectat. of his Birth

Co, Lit. 46. a.  
Plowd. 560. b.  
Bridgm. 27.

Co. Lit. 46. a.

Godb. 325.

y Leon. 74.  
Gaist. 87.

Birth. See the Opinion of *Saunders* and *Browne* in *Stowel's Case*, *Plow. Com.* for avoiding of a Fine. *Vide temp. E. 1. Gard. 153. § 31 E. 1. bre. 873.* for the Wardship of him. *Vide 38 E. 3. 7. § 41 E. 3. § 11 E. 3. Voucher*, that he shall be (a) vouched in his Mother's Womb. 11 *H. 6. 13.* (a) 8 *E. 2.* a Devise of (b) Land (devisable by Custom) to one in his Mother's Womb. 41 *E. 3.* Detainment of (c) Charters for the Heir in his Mother's Womb. 3 *El. Dy. 186.* An Adulterer doth counsel the Woman to kill the Child when he is born, who doth accordingly; the Adulterer is accessory, yet at the Time of the Counsel the Child was in his Mother's Womb. But it was said, if (d) Tenant in Tail makes a Lease for 30 or 40 Years, rendering Rent, and afterwards takes a Wife, and dies without Issue, his Wife with Child with a Son, and afterwards the Wife recovers Dower of the same Land, she before the Son's Birth shall not avoid the Lease, for her Estate is *quodammodo* a Continuance of Part of the Estate-tail, and the same is proved by 10 *E. 3. 26.* 34 *Aff. pl. 15. § 23 E. 3. Dower 130.* that she shall be (e) attendant for a third Part of the Services that Tenant in Tail did, which she should not be, if to all Intents the Estate-tail were utterly extinct, and Tenant in Dower is in in the *Per* by her Husband, and in of his Estate. *Vide Litt. 93. b. in Descents, 38 Aff. 26. 7 H. 5. 3. 8 E. 2. Entre 75, &c. Vide 33 H. 8. Dyer 51. b. (f)* Tenant in Tail before the Statute of 27 *H. 8.* of Uses, made a Feoffment in Fee to the Use of him and his Heirs; and also before the said Act, he and his Feoffees made a Lease for Years, rendering Rent, and died after the Statute, the Land descended to his Issue, who before Entry upon the Termor levied a Fine to another, and by the better Opinion of the Justices of both the Benches, except *Saunders*, the Alienee shall not avoid it; for altho' the Son was remitted, yet the Lease was not merely void, without actual Entry by the Issue. *Vide Plow. Com. 437.*

Voucher 237.  
1 Rol. Rep. 254.  
31 E. 1. br. 873.  
Cart. 87.  
10 Co. 32. b.  
Co. Lit. 390. a.  
9 H. 6. 24. a.  
11 E. 3. Vouch.  
13. 2 Rol. 746.  
Hob. 222, 338.  
(b) Dyer 303.  
pl. 51. 1 Sid. 153.  
Moor 637.  
Cart. 87.  
Raym. 83, 84.  
(c) 1 Rol. Rep.  
254.  
(d) Co. Lit.  
46. a. Bridg. 28.  
(e) Co. Lit.  
241. a.  
(f) Dyer 51.  
pl. 17. 1 Rol.  
Rep. 216, 403.  
3 Leon. 154.  
Bridgm. 27.  
103. Co. Lit.  
349. a.  
Moor 315.  
2 Bullstr. 44, 45.

# UGHTRED's Case.

Trin. 33 Eliz.

In the Common Pleas.

Jenk. Cent. 269.  
Hard. 9, 79.  
2 Brownl. 98.  
Doct. pl. 91.  
1 Bulstr. 168.  
Palm. 397.

**H**ENRY Ughtred, Esq; brought a Writ of Annuity against William Marquess of Winchester, Son and Heir of John Marquess of Winchester, and declared that the said John Marquess of Winton, 20 Dec. 17 El. *tam pro bona & favorabili affectione & benevolentia quas gessit erga eundem Henricum, quam pro confidentia & fidelitate reposit. in eodem Henrico*, by his Writing did constitute and authorise the said Henry to be Captain of the Fort or Bulwark, and Castle of Netley, alias Letley, in the County of Southampton, To have and exercise the said Office of Captain, &c. during the Life of the said Henry, and gave him Authority during his Life to nominate and appoint from Time to Time a Master Gunner, one Porter, and six Soldiers, &c. And further by the said Writing the said John Marquess did grant, *pro consideratione predicta, & pro meliore manutentione ipsius Henrici & magistrorum vormentor. & sex militum in defensione & tuitione castri predicti*, for him and his Heirs, to the said Henry during his Life, an Annuity of 32 l. &c. at the Feasts of St. Michael, and the Annunciation of our Lady by equal Portions, by Force of which he was seised of the said Office, and of the said Annuity for his Life; and afterwards, 10 Nov. 18 El. the said John Marquess died; and the Defendant his Son and Heir for 11 Years before the Writ brought did withhold the Annuity, which in all amounted to 368 l. &c. on which Declaration the Defendant did demur in Law; and according to the Statute did shew divers Causes: 1. Because it doth not appear by the Declaration, That the said John Lord Marquess had Power or Interest to grant the said Office; and also because the Plaintiff hath not averred, that he hath exercised the said Office, nor that he did appoint a Master Gunner, Porter, or the Soldiers, and divers other Causes were shewed; but notwithstanding these, Judgment was given by the Justices of the Common Pleas for the Pl. whereupon the Marquess brought a Writ

27 El. cap 5.  
See the Stat.  
4 & 5 Annæ  
for Amendment of the  
Law.

a writ of Error, and divers Errors were assigned, but all were over-ruled by the Court but one. And that was, that the Pl. in the writ of annuity had not averr'd in his Declarat. that he had exercised the said office, &c. But after many Arguments and Considerat. of all the books, in which (as it seems *prima facie*) there is a diversity of Opinions, It was resolved, that the Declarat. was good without such (a) averment; and their reason was, that in all cases where an interest or estate doth commence upon a Condit. precedent, be the Condit. or Act to be performed by the Pl. or Def. or by any other; and be the Condit. in the (b) affirmative or negative, there the Pl. ought to shew it in his Declarat. and to aver the performance thereof; for there the interest or estate doth begin in him by the performance of the Condition, and is not in him till the Condit. be performed. But otherwise it is when the interest or estate passeth presently and vests in the grantee, and is to be defeated by matter *ex post facto*, or Condit. subsequent, be the Condit. or Act to be performed by the Pl. or Def. or by any other, and be the Condit. in the affirmative or negative, there the Pl. may declare generally, without shewing the performance thereof, and it shall be pleaded by him who will take advantage (c) of the Condition or matter *ex post facto*, for every one ought to alledge that which (d) makes for him, and which is for his avail, and none shall be forced to alledge that which is against himself. And it may well be, that the Condit. subsequent or matter *ex post facto*, stands upon many Parts; (as in the case at bar it happens) to rehearse all which would be tedious, when Issue shall be taken but upon one of them, and the Def. may plead any one of them which he pleaseth in bar of the Action, and so the pleading will be more short and compendious, which is the most commendable, if it be sufficient. Here in the case at bar the Condit. was to be performed by the Pl. himself, and therefore the case is the stronger, but because the Pl. by the said grant was presently seised of the said office and annuity for the term of his life, which ought to be defeated by the not using the said office or other subsequent matter; the subseq. matter makes against him, and therefore shall be pleaded by the Def. and therewith agreeth 15 H.7. (e) 1. a. b. In a writ of annuity against the successor of a Prior on a grant made by his predecessor until he was advanced to a benefice of holy Church, and the Pl. declar'd generally, without saying that he is not yet advanced; and for that cause exception was taken to it, and notwithstanding the Declarat. was adjudged good, because the Condition went in Defeasance of the Annuity, which ought to be shewed on the Defendant's Part. Also this is an Annuity, which beginneth before the Condition shall be performed, which Performance shall come on the Part of the Grantor, and not like where the Condition was (f), That if the Grantee doth such a Thing, that then he shall have such an Annuity; now, if he will demand

(a) Hard. 9. 79.  
Hob. 41.  
Jenk. Cent. 260.  
Doct. pl. 91.

(b) Doct. pl. 91.

(c) Doct. pl. 51.  
(d) 5 Co. 78. b.  
Plowd. 16. b.

(e) Cro. Arg.  
108. Hard. 9. 10.  
2 Brownl. 98.  
Doct. pl. 91.  
Br. count 43.  
Plowd. 25. b.  
32. b. 272. b.  
273. a. Palm.  
192.

(f) Doct. pl. 91.

it, he ought to alledge *in facto*, that the Condit. is perform'd, for by the perform. thereof the annuity doth begin. And so is the differ. by all the Just. and these are the words of the book. So it is said in *Colthirst's case*, *Pl. Com.* 25. *b.* If I grant to one that when he shall be promoted to a benefice, that he shall have an annuity; if he demands the annuity, he ought first to shew that he is promoted to a benefice. But if an annuity be granted to one until he be promoted to a benefice, there he shall have a writ of annuity, and shall not shew that he is not yet promoted to a benefice, because the annuity doth precede, and the promotion is subsequent, and goes in defeasance of the annuity; and therefore it

1 Salk. 171.  
1 Sand. 319.

(a) Doct. pl. 91. ought to be shewed on the contrary part. But when (a) a  
Lutw. 250. 251. man is only intitled to an Act'n, and the Act'n lies not, if the Condit. or Considerat. be not perform'd, there the Pl. in his Declarat. ought to shew the performance, for it amounts to a Condit. precedent, because the Act'n arises on

(b) Br. count 7. the Condit. or Considerat. performed, as the book in (b) 3 H. 6.  
Palm. 397. 33. *b.* Suppose I retain (c) a man to go with me to Rome for  
1 Bulstr. 168. 40 s. here by the going the cause of the duty first arises, in  
Poph. 161. which case, if he brings an Act'n of debt for it, in his Declarat.  
Doct. pl. 91. he ought to declare, that he was there, otherwise the Decla-

(c) Doct. pl. 91. rat. shall abate. So it is if I (d) retain one to serve me for  
Popham 161. 40 s. by the year; for here by the Considerat. performed the  
Jenk. Cent. 260. duty arises, so that it is in the nature of an act precedent,

(d) Hob. 41, 106. and so was the Opin. of the whole Court in the said book.

(e) Doct. pl. 92. But the case in (e) 48 E. 3. 3. & 4. was affirmed for good  
1 Bulstr. 168. Law where it appears, that Indent. were made betw. Sir R. Pool  
Popham 161. Kt. of the one part, and Sir R. Tolcelfer of the other part, by  
Palm. 397, 398. which Sir Ralph did covenant with Sir Rich. to serve him  
1 Rol. 414, 415. with 3 Esquires of Arms in the Wars of France, and Sir Rich.  
1 Sand. 320. did covenant therefore to pay him 42 Marks: In that case

each party had equal remedy, one for the service, and the other for the money; and therefore in debt for the 42 Marks he may chuse either to declare in general, or specially at his pleasure, by the rule of the Court. Also when an Interest doth pass presently, and is to be defeated by matter *ex post facto*, yet if it appears to the Court by Matter in Law, that the Act'n shall not be maintainable without shewing the performance of the Condit. or Considerat. there the Pl. ought to aver it for the maintenance of his Act'n, as in 39 H. 6. 21, 22. the Case was, R. Abbot of Chester granted to John Brewin Esq; by his Deed (without the Consent of the Covent) a yearly Rent of 40 s. out of his Monastery, *pro consil' suo eid'*

(f) Doct. pl. 92. R. Abbati & (f) conventui ejusdem loci impenso, & impo-  
sterum impendendo; the said R. Abbot died, and John Brewin brought a Writ of Annuity against the Successor, and averr'd, that he had given to the said R. *nuper Abbati & conventui consil' suum apud W. in negot' domus prae-*  
*agendis, ad proficuum ejusd' domus.* And Prisot and the whole

Court

Court held that the Action was not maintainable against the Successor without such (a) Averment. For the Action is not maintainable against the Successor for any Contract or Grant made by the Abbot only without the Consent, unless the Effect or Consideration thereof comes to the Profit of the House. And that such general Averment was good, for it would be too long to shew all the Causes specially, and therefore against the Successor he ought to take such Averment. But in an Action against the Abbot himself, who made the Grant, it is not necessary to take such Averment, as it is agreed there by the whole Court. And so by these Differences: 1. Between an Interest, or Estate vested, and which is to be devested by Condition or Matter subsequent, and a Condition or Matter, which precedes the Estate or Interest. 2. Between a Thing in Action which in Judgment of Law is to commence on a Condition or Consideration precedent, and Interests or Estates which begin presently. 3. When equal Remedy is given to both by reciprocal Covenants. 4. When by Matter apparent the Plaintiff's Action shall not be maintained without Averment, although it be in the Case of an Estate or Interest vested, you will the better understand your Books, which seem *prima facie* to disagree, (c) 21 E. 4. 39. or 49 b. 22 (d) E. 4. 43. a. 9 E. 4. 20. b. 37 H. 6. 8. b. 36 H. 6. 2. b. Dyer 10 El. 270. in Avowry, and 15 El. Dyer 329. in Debt. And note, the said Ughtred had Judgment in the Common Pleas, *Quod prædictus Henricus recuperet versus præfatum nunc Marchionem, annuum redditum prædictum & arreragia ejusdem, tamdiu ante diem impetrationis brevis original' ipsius Henrici, quam postea incurra, & damna sua occasione subtractionis annui redditus prædict' ad decem libras, eidem Henrico ex assensu suo per Curiam hic adjudicat'. Quæ quidem arreragia & damna in toto se attingunt ad 402 libr. Et prædictus nunc Marchio in misericordia.*

(a) Jenk. Cent.  
260, 261.  
Doct. pl. 92.

(b) Cr. El. 546.  
Doct. pl. 92.

(c) Br. count 72.  
Br. annuity 38.  
Doct. pl. 90.  
(d) Hard. 10.  
Doct. pl. 90,  
91.

## ENGLEFIELD'S Case.

Mich. 33 &amp; 34 Eliz.

In the Exchequer.

1 And. 293, 294.  
 Poph. 18, 19.  
 Moor 303, 304.  
 305. 4 Leon.  
 135, 136, 137.  
 169, 170, 171,  
 2 Rol. Rep. 142.  
 323, 324, 420.  
 Lane 44.  
 3 Keb. 316.  
 3 Inst. 19, 180.  
 Palm. 437, 438,  
 439.  
 Cases in Law  
 and Eq. 291.  
 Skin. 603, 604.

**B**ETWEEN the Queen and *Margaret Englefield, Fran. Englefield*, and others, in an information upon intrusion in the Exchequer, which began *Trin. 32 El.* the case in effect was such, *Sir Fr. Englefield* seized of the Manor of *Englefield* in the County of *Berks* in Fee, by Indent. dated 2 *Jan. 18 El.* between him and the said *Fran.* his nephew, covenanted for the advancem. of his blood, &c. to stand seized to the use of himself for life, and afterwards to the use of his said nephew, and the heirs males of his body, and afterwards to the use of the right heirs of the nephew. And it was further contained in the same Indenture, that because his nephew was an infant, so that his proof was not then seen, and because the uncle did not think convenient to settle the said inheritance in the nephew absolutely, so long as the uncle should live, without a bridle to restrain him, if after he should be prodigal, or should be given to intolerable vices; for this cause it was provided; That if the uncle by himself, or by any other during his natural life, deliver or offer to the nephew a gold ring, to the intent to make void the uses, that then all the uses should be void. *Hill. 26 El.* *Sir Fran.* was indicted in the K.'s Bench by a Jury of *Midd.* for Treason committed at *Nemures* in *Hamonia in partibus transmarinis*, 20 *Octob. 18 El.* upon which Indictment he was outlawed, and afterwards 8 *Aug. 28 El.* the Queen by patent under the great seal did lease the land to *Foster* and *Fitton*, two of the Def. for 40 years, and also demised to them for 40 years, *omnes & singulos boscos, subboscos, arbores, & terras boscales*: And afterwards at the Parliament 29 *Oct. 28 El.* the attainder was confirmed. And further it was enacted, that he should be attainted of High Treason, and should forfeit to the Queen all his Manors, Lands, Tenements, &c. the Day of the Treason committed, or at any Time after, and that the same should be in the actual Possession of the Queen without Office. But further it was provided, by the said Act, That nothing therein should extend to make void any Lease of Land, or Gift of Goods made by the Queen under the Great Seal, or Exchequer-Seal, after the Treason committed, &c. And at the same Parliament another Act was made, by which it was enacted, *That every person and persons which bath, or claimeth to have any estate or interest, of, in, or out of any land of any of the persons attainted since 18 Eliz. not inrolled*

2 Rol. Rep. 391.  
 1 Vent. 129.  
 Latch 28.  
 Palm. 438.  
 1 Jonce 136.

29 El. cap. 3.

inrolled of Record, not certify'd into the Exchequer, made since 1 El. by any of the persons attainted since 18 El. of Treason, for conspiring of the Queen's death (as the said Treason of Sir Fr. Englefield was) within 2 years after the last day of this session of Parliament, shall openly shew, and bring forth, into the Queen's Majesty's Court of Exchequer, the same, his, or their grant, conveyance and assurance, and there in the Term-time, in open Court, the same shall offer and exhibit, or upon his, or their Oath, affirming that they have not the same, nor can come by it, or that it was never put in writing, then the effect thereof to be entered and inrolled of Record, or else every such conveyance and assurance should be void and of none Effect to all intents and purposes: Saving to every person and persons (other than parties and privies to such conveyance, and such as shall not exhibit the said conveyance according to the true meaning of this Act) all such right, &c. And afterwards 17 Mar.

31 El. the Queen by her letters patents under the great seal, reciting the uses and the proviso of tendering of a ring, and that the benefit and advantage of the said Condit. is given to her by the Stat. of this realm, did depute, authorise, and in her place and person put, R. Broughton and H. Bouchier, jointly and severally to deliver or offer the ring of gold to Englefield the nephew, to the intent to make void the uses in the indentures; and that they should certify into the Exchequer, what they should do in the premisses. Broughton and Bouch, 8 Mar. 31 El. offer the ring (and read to him the patent) to the said Fran. the nephew, which he refused: All which facts, with the patent they certified into the Exchequer 19 Mar. 31 El. and the life of Sir Fran. was averr'd, &c. And the Def. were charged for intrusion 20 Mar. 31 El. and with the cutting of certain Trees of Elm and Ash, and certain Underwoods. And in this case, after many arguments at bar, and upon open argument at bench these points were resolved: 1. The Queen as Ten't *pur auter vie*, made a lease for 40 years; altho' the Queen (having only an estate *pur auter vie*) could not absolutely contract for a lease for 40 Years, yet without any recital or mention of the estate for Life, the lease is good; for the lease for years is in judgment of law less than the lease *pur auter vie*, and the Queen doth not any wrong or prejudice to any by the demise, and is not deceived in her grant; for in Judgment of the Law it is a lease for 40 Years, Moor 321. if *cestui que vie* shall so long live, but if the Queen had granted a greater Estate than she lawfully might, as an Estate in Tail, or in Fee, there because she could not lawfully do it, she was deceived, and by consequence her grant void. See now the case of Alton Woods, in the 1st part of my Reports. And it was said, that if the Queen grants *totum statum suum* (having a Term, or Estate for Life, Extent, or other particular Estate) it is good enough; for the Queen

1 Co. 50. b. &c.

Queen doth not grant more than she may do by the law, nor doth any (a) wrong, or make Alterat. of any estate by her grant. And it was objected, that this Condit. should not be given to the Queen by the Stat. of 32 H. 8. c. 20. for 3 Reasons: 1. This Condit. is annexed to Sir *Francis* with such inseparable privacy, that it cannot be given to anoth. for in this case the substance of the Condit. is the intent and mind of Sir *Fran.* but because his intent and mind cannot appear without an overt act. for this cause the ring shall be tendered as a Declarat. of his intent, which was inward and secret to himself, so that the tender of the ring is only the outward ceremony, but the substance of the Condit. is the mind and will of Sir *Fran.* which cannot be transferr'd to anoth. Also in this case nature is made judge, for the uncle is to judge of the quality and disposition of the nephew, and whether he gives his uncle cause to revoke and disannul his estate; and therefore as natural love and affect. cannot be transferred to anoth. so this conveyance, of which natural love and affect. is the cause of the creation of it, and the judge of the Determinat. of it cannot be revoked or determined by any other; and all this agrees with the reason of the com. Law; for the (b) wardship of the eldest Son, which the law of nature gives the Father, is inseparable, and cannot be forfeited or transferred to another, as it is agreed in 33 H. 6. And Homage Ancestrel is inseparable, because it is annexed to the blood of the Ld. and the Tenant. 2. By the general words of the Act of 33 H. 8. Conditions separable, and which may be performed by others, and not inseparable, are given to the K. as appears by divers cases founded on general Acts of Parliam. here put, and after agreed. 3. It was objected, that this being a collateral Condit. altho' the Condit. be given to the K. *sc.* the Benefit of it, if it be performed, yet the Performance of it is not given to the K. by the said Act. and therefore Sir *Francis* ought to render the ring, and not the Queen. And therefore suppose that the Condit. had been, if the Ch. Just. of *England* for the Time being, shall tender a ring after the attainder of Sir *Francis*, the Queen cannot tender it; and the reason of the Books in 12 H. 4. 2. & 9 H. 7. 17 & 20. 4 H. 8. *Dyer* 1. & c. was urged, where collateral (c) Conditions cannot be altered, and other things taken in Satisfaction of them between the same Parties, *a fortiori* here, for here the person, who by express words ought to perform the Condit. shall be changed. As to the 1st and 2d Objections, *Manwood* Chief Baron, and the whole Court held, That the whole Force and Effect of the Condition in the Case at Bar did consist on the Tender of the Ring; and the other Matter of the Reason and Cause, which moved and induced him to leave the said Power and Bridle in himself, was not any Parcel of the Proviso, but a (d) flourish (as he termed it) and Preamble, and nothing is Parcel of the Condition but that which comes after the proviso,

proviso, and that is the tender of the Ring. And as to that, the said difference was taken and agreed by the whole Court, *scil.* Between conditions which are personal and individual, and cannot be performed by any other; and conditions which are not so inseparably annexed to the Person but that they may be performed by any other; as it was resolved in the Case of *Tho. D. of (a) Norfolk*, who in *Anno 11 El.* conveyed his lands to the use of himself for life, and afterwards to the use of *Philip E. of Arundel* his eldest Son in tail, with divers remainders over, with proviso, that if he should be minded to alter and revoke the said uses, and should signify his mind in writing under his proper hand and seal, and subscribed by three credible witnesses, that then, &c. And afterwards the said Duke was attainted of High Treason, that this proviso or condition was not given to the Queen by the said Act of 33 *H. 8.* because the performance of it was (*b*) personal and inseparably annexed to his Person, that is to say, to signify his mind by writing under his own proper Hand, which none could do but the Duke himself: upon which point all the Possessions of the Dukedom so conveyed *ut supra* were saved, and not forfeited by the Attainder. 53 *H. 6.* 56. The Templers held divers of their Possessions in (*c*) *Frankalmoign* (which Tenure, as *Littleton* saith, is annexed in privacy to the Blood of the Donor) and afterwards they were dissolved, and by Parliament, *anno 17 Ed. 2.* their Possessions were given to the Hospitalers, to hold them in the same manner as the Templers held, yet they by those general Words should not hold in *Frankalmoign*, because the Privacy of the Tenure on the Part of the Tenant doth not continue, and this privacy being personal and inseparable, by the general Words of the Act was not transferred to the Hospitalers. The same Law of an Impropriation of a Church, which also is an incident inseparable to the relig. house to which the Chu. is impropriate. And therefore it is adjudged in *P. 3 Ed. 3.* (*d*) that the Hospitalers by the said Act of 17 *Ed. 2.* should not have the Impropriation, for it was inseparably annexed to the Corporation of Templers, which thing consisting in inseparable Privacy by general words of an Act of Parl. should not be transferr'd to others. So was it adjudged *Trin. 25. El.* in the Marq. of *Winchest.*'s Case, (which see in the 3d part of my Rep. 2.) That by the general words of all Hereditaments, &c. a Writ of (*e*) Error which a Person attainted had was not given to the King; for a Writ of Error is a Writ which lieth in Privacy. And the Chief Baron said, That he never saw in any Act of Attainder (*f*) Actions which belonged to the Person attainted given to the King. In the time of *H. 8. Br. Corodie* 3. it is held, That a (*g*) Foundership, which also is a Thing annexed inseparably to the Blood of the Founder, should not be forfeited by Attainder, *vide L. 5. Ed. 4. \** But in the Case at Bar, the Condition, *scil.* the Tender of the

(a) Latch 107.  
1 Mod. Rep 17.  
38, 40. Hob.  
343. 1 Vent. 12.  
2 Roll's Rep.  
391, 394.  
Latch 27, 29,  
69, 70, 71, 103.  
Palm. 435.  
O. Benl. 139.  
1 Jones 77,  
235, 739.  
Styles 196.  
(b) Palm. 119.

(c) Latch 69, 71.  
Lit. Sect. 141.  
Co. Lit. 99. a.  
3 Co. 3. b.  
Moor 312, 322.  
35 H. 6. 56. b.  
57. a. Moor  
163.

(d) 3 E. 3. 11. b.  
pl. 1. 3 Co. 3. b.  
Moor 530, 531.  
Fitz. Grants 70.  
Plb. Leon. 17.  
(e) 4 Leon. 17.  
173, 174.  
Moor 323.  
Latch 30, 69.  
O. Benl. 139.  
2 Roll's Rep.  
319, 324, 374.  
1 Leon. Rep.  
371, 372.  
Moor 125.  
Lit. Rep. 100.  
Cro. El. 389.  
Owen 21.  
3 Co. 2. a. 3. b.  
1 Jones 77.  
(f) Hob. 341.  
2 Roll's Rep p.  
325, 420, 501.  
(g) Co. Lit.  
99. a. b.  
Moor 322.  
4 Leon. 133.  
11 Co. 77. b.

Ring is not annexed to the Person of Sir *Francis*, but any other may do it as well as himself. The same Law of Paym. of Money, delivery of Gold Spurs, or other like. As to the third Objection it was resolved, That when the Statute gives the Condition to the Queen, that the Performance thereof (which is not personal, and inseparable) is also given to the Queen, as incident to it: For the Performance is the Substance and the Effect of the Condition; and the Statute puts the King in the Place of the Person attained, to do that for the Performance of the Condition, which is feasible, and which is not inseparably annexed to the Person of him who is attained. 4. It was objected, That altho' the Condition should be given to the Queen, and the Performance of it also, yet the Lease should not be void, for the Estate for Life

(a) Co. Li. 172. b.  
1 Co. 121. a.  
1 Mod. Rep. 39.  
1 Anderf. 318.  
Plow. 352. b.  
Poph. 71.

of Sir *Francis* was not subject to the Condition. For an (a) use at the Com. Law was a Trust and Confidence reposed in one Person, that another Person should have the Profits, so that there ought to be a Separation of the Possession and of the use, either by Covenant, or Feoffment, Fine, or other Conveyance, by which there is a Transmutation of the Possession: But in our Case he himself stood seised to the use of himself for Life, which could not be as an use, for he himself is Ter-tenant and there is not any Separation of the Possession, and it is not any Trust or Confidence, and he could not have a *Subpœna* against himself before the Statute; and the Stat. of \* 27 H. 8. doth execute the Possession to him only who hath an use, and who had not a Possession before; but Sir *Francis* in our case had the Possession before, and therefore the Stat. cannot give Possession to him, but his Estate for Life was Parcel of his old Estate. And note,

\* 27 H. 8. cap. 10.

(b) 13 Co 55.

The Stat. of 27 H. 8. saith, To the use of (b) another Person, &c. so that another Person ought to have the use, than he who hath the Possession. And *vide* 30 H. 8. *Feoffments at uses* Br. 47. *Cestuy que use* in Tail before the Stat. was enfeoffed by the Feoffees; and afterwards the Stat. of 27 H. 8. was made, the Stat. shall not give him a Possess. in Tail according to the use, because he had the Possess. before, because there was not any Separation of the Use and Possess. at the time of the making of the Stat. And then if the Estate for Life be Parcel of his old Estate, it is not subject to the said Proviso or Condit. and by Conseq. by the Perform. of the Condit. the Estate for Life is not defeated, and then the Lease for 40 Years, which is derived out of it, remains good. But it was resolv'd by the Court, That Sir *Francis* had the Estate for Life by the Limitation of the use, and the Operation of the Stat. of 27 H. 8. And they much relied upon the Reason and Rule of *Bainton's Case* in *Plow. Com.* That a Man for the

(c) 2 Rol. 785.  
Plow. 309. b.

Advancement (c) of his Heirs Males, may Covenant to stand seised to the use of himself and the Heirs of his Body, in that case there is no Separation of the Possess. and Use, and yet the

the Statute doth create an Estate in Tail in Possession in him, in which Case the whole Estate-Tail is in himself: but that is for the Benefit of the Heir Male, altho' he is *in futuro*, and not *in presenti*, for none can know who shall be his Heir Male, for (a) *Solus Deus facit heredes, non homo*. But in this case it is for the Benefit of the Neph. *in presenti* to have the uses raised according to the said Indentures. 5. It was objected, that altho' the estate for life be defeated by the condit. yet the Q. should not avoid her own lease; For when the Q. hath an Estate for the Life of another, and also a Condition in her by the Statute of 33 H. 8. and she makes a Lease for Years, altho' the Queen doth perform the Condition, she shall not avoid the Lease. As if in such Case a common Person had had the Estate for Life, and the Queen the Condition, and the common Person had made a Lease of the Land, and the Queen had confirm'd it, and afterwards the Condition is performed, yet the (b) Lease is good. And if the Mortgagee makes a Lease for Years, and the Mortgagor confirms it, and afterwards the Condition is performed, the Lease shall not be avoided. And *Arden's Case* was cited. Tenant in (c) Tail makes a Lease for Life, now he hath gained a new Fee by wrong, and afterwards he grants a Rent-charge or makes a Lease for Years, and afterwards Tenant for Life dies, he shall not avoid his Charge or Lease, altho' he be in of another Estate, because he had a defeasible Possession, and ancient Right, the which, if they be in several Hands, should be good; as the Lease of one, and the Confirmation of the other, and being in one Hand shall be as much in Judgment of Law. Note; the Lease is the stronger Case than the Charge, 11 H. 7. 21. a. *Edrich* Tenant in Tail made a Feoffm. to his use upon Condition, and afterwards upon his Recognizance the Land is extended by the Statute of 1 R. (d) 3. and afterwards he performed the Condition, yet the Interest of the Conusee shall not be avoided, and yet the Estate is changed *causa qua supra*. And all that was affirmed by the Court. But as to that it was resolved, That the demise of the Queen should not enure (to her special Prejudice) to (e) two Intents, *scil.* to a demise of the Land, and also to a Suspension of her Condition, by which she might defeat the Estate for Life, and the other Estates as it should in the Case of a common Person, or to a Demise in respect of her present Estate for the Life of another, and also to a Confirmation in respect of her Condition; by which otherwise she might defeat the whole, as it should be also in the Case of a common Person. For the Grant of the Queen shall be taken according to her express Intention comprehended in her Grant, and shall not extend to any other Thing by Construc-

(a) Rolls 785.  
Co. Lit. 7. b.  
21. 56. 4.

Co. Lit. 361. a.

(b) Moor 325.  
2 Rol. Rep.  
320, 346.  
Godb. 311,  
314, 323.

(c) Moor 325.  
Poph. 50.  
1 Co. 147. b.  
Co. Lit. 343. a.  
Br. Condition  
249.  
2 Rol. Rep. 320.

(d) 1. R. 3.  
cap. 1.  
1 Co. 147. a.

(e) Lane 121.

Poph. 150. b.

tion or Implication, which doth not appear by her grant that her intent did extend to. And therefore in such Cases the Queen ought to be truly informed, and she ought to make a special and particular Grant, which by expresse Words may enure to all such several Intents as are desir'd ; as 17 E. 3. 39. An Advowson held of the King is aliened to an Abbot ; now the King hath Title to the Advowson for the Mortmain, and afterwards the King by his Letters Patents grants to the Abbot that he may hold the Advowson to his own Use, yet he shall not lose the Advantage of the Mortmain, for when the King hath two Rights in him, he cannot exclude himself of both without special Words. *Vide* 9 H. 7. 14. *Plow. Com.* 397, &c. And if in this Case the Demise of the Queen should amount to a Confirmation by force of her Condition, or if the Demise should amount to a Suspension of the Condition, then upon that it would follow, that she during the Term could not perform the Condition, which would be very prejudicial to the Q. 6. And as to the said Tender by force of the said Letters Patents, and the Certificate thereof into the Exchequer, it was objected, That the same would not be sufficient, but the Tender ought to be found by Office, for altho' the Letters Patents are of Record, yet the Tender itself is Matter in Fact, which ought to be found by Office ; For the Certificate of the Bishop by force of the King's Writ, or of the Marshal of the King's Host, as in 2 Ed. 4. 1. which and such like, are not traversable, but are trials in law, and shall bind the parties. But in our Case, if this Certificate, which is not made upon any ordinary Course of proceeding, should be good in Law, it would be a great Prejudice to the Party ; for no Certificate, which is allowed and warranted by the Common Law, is traversable ; and then the Matter might be false, and the Party disinherited, and yet he should not have any Remedy, which would be very inconvenient. But it was resolved by the whole Court, That the Tender and Certificate in this Case was good enough, and that the Party grieved, if it be false, might traverse the same, and should not be concluded by it, for it was not in the Nature of a Trial, but of a Record to inform and satisfy the Queen of her Title. Also they resolved, That presently by the Tender of the Ring according to the said Proviso, or Condition, the Uses were determined and void in Law, and by Consequence the Land vested in the Queen by force of the Attainder, and of the Act of 33 H. 8. 7. It was objected, That the said Conveyance was void by the Act of 28 Eliz. and then was Sir Francis at the Time of his Treason committed, and Attainder thereupon, seized of the said Lands in Fee, which were  
for

5 Co. 56. a.

Doct. pl. 352.  
370.

Latch 71.  
Moor 345.  
Doct. pl. 352,  
370.

33 H. 8. c. 20.

forfeited to the Queen, and vested in her by the said Act of 33 H. 8. and by consequence, the said Lease made by the Queen (being at the Time of the making thereof seised in Fee) is good. And to prove that the Conveyance was void by the Statute before the said Tender of the Ring, so that the Estate was not defeated by the Condition, but the Conveyance in which the Condition was contained made void by the Act of 28 EL. before the said Tender of the Ring, and before the Lease made; The Words of the Statute are, Moor 446.  
*That every Person, &c. within two Years after the last Day of that Session, shall openly shew and bring forth into the Exchequer his Conveyance, and there in the Term-Time in open Court shall exhibit, &c. the same to be entred and inrolled of Record, &c.* And the Tender of the Ring was 18. Mart. Anno 31. before which Day all the Terms in the two Years were past; so that after Hillary Term past Anno 31. it was not possible that the Conveyance should be enrolled within the two Years in open Court in Term-Time. For the two Years passed by Effluention of Time before Easter Term; And therefore presently after Hillary Term passed, the Conveyance was void; and by Consequence the Condition also. And thereupon the Case in Temp. E. 1. Covenant 5 Co. 21. 2. 29. & F. N. B. was put, That altho' the Covenant be that F. N. B. 145. k. he leave the Wood in as good plight, &c. at the End of the Moor 313, 323. Term, if the Lessee cuts down the Trees, the Lessor shall 2 Rol. Rep. presently have an Action of Covenant, for it is not possible 332, 347. that he leave the Trees, &c. at the End of the Term, so Godb. 335. that the Impossibility of the Act shall give a present Action upon a future Covenant. But it was resolved by the Court, That at the Time of the Tender of the Ring the said Conveyance, and by Consequence the Condition was in Force. And their Reason was, because the Statute doth not require that the Enrollment of the Conveyance, which is the Act of the Court, should be within the two Years; but the shewing and exhibiting thereof, which is the Act of the Party, ought to be within the two Years: For as to the shewing and exhibiting of the Conveyance, the Words are (*within two Years, &c. shall, &c. there in the Term-time in open court exhibit the same*) then the next words following are, (*to be entered and enrolled of Record*) so that no time is limited when it shall be enrolled; but if the Words had been, (*and then and there shall be entred and inrolled of Record*) then the Conveyance ought to have been enrolled within the 2 Years: but as the Words are, it may be enrolled after the 2 Years past. And this was the first Case (that I know) that was argued and adjudged on the said Act of 33 H. 8. which gives Conditions of Persons attainted of Treason to the King. And in the Argument of this case, the Case of T. Markenfield Esq; an. 19 EL. in the Excheq. and divers other Cases of Persons attainted of Treason, who had Power of Revoc. were cited:

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and on Consideration of them by the Barons, they resolved *ut supra*, and gave Judgment for the Queen. But the Counsel of *Fran. Englefield* were not satisfied with the Judgment, and chiefly as to this principal Point: For they conceived, that, as this Case is, the Condition was so inseparably annexed to the Person of Sir *Francis*, that it was not given to the Queen by the said Act of 33 *H. 8.* And their Advice was to bring a Writ of Error. But at the next Parliament, *scil.* 35 *Eliz.* a special Act of Parliament was made to establish the Forfeiture to the Queen.

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*Trin. 34. Eliz.*

2 Rol. Rep. 30. **B**ETWEEN the Queen, and the Lady *Joan Young*, late the Wife of Sir *John Young* Knight, deceased, and *Thomas Saunger* Defendants, the Case was such; An Office was found at *W.* in the County of *Dorset*, 18 September Ann. 32 *El.* before Sir *Matthew Arundel* and other Commissioners of the Queen under the Great Seal, *Quod a villa de Abbotsbury, in præd' Com' Dorset, usque ad mare per insulam de Portland in eodem Com' est quedam æstuarium, Anglice a Meer or Fleet, in quam mare fluit & refuit, in qua quidem æstuarium sunt 500 cigni, quorum 410. sunt albi, & 90 sunt cignetti, & quod omnes prædicti cigni & cignetti sunt in possessione J. Young & Tho. Saunger, & quod quilibet eorum est valoris 2 s. 6 d. quodque major pars tempore captionis dictæ inquisitionis minime fuer' signat'*: which Office being certified into the Exchequer, a Writ was directed to the Sheriff of the same County to seize all the said white Swans not marked, by force whereof the Sheriff returned that he had seized 400 white Swans, To which afterwards, *scil.* *Hill, 34 Eliz.* the said *Joan*

*Joan Young and Tho. Saunger* pleaded; *Quod præd' æstuarium sive aqua, jacet in Paroch' de Abbotsbury in Com. Dorset* (and abutted it) and that before the Inquisition taken, The Abbot of *Abbotsbury* was seised *de præd' æstuarium, & de ripis & solo ejusdem* in Fee, and that at the Time of the Inquisition, and Time out of Mind, *suit & adhuc est quidam volatus cignorum & cignettor' feror', vocat' a Game of wild Swans, in æstuarium sive aqua illa, & ripis, & solo ejusd' nidificant', gignent' & frequentant' Anglice* haunting, *de quo quidem volatu cignor' & cignettor', præd' Abbas & omnes prædecessores sui Abbates Monasterii præd', per totum tempus prædict' habuere & gavisii fuerunt, & habere & gaudere consueverunt, tot' profic' & increment' omnium & singulor' cignor' & cignettor' feror, in æstuarium præd' nidificant', gignent' & frequent' qui quidem cigni & cignetti per totum tempus præd' fuerunt feræ naturæ, & infra idem tempus iidem cigni & cignetti seu eorum aliqui aliquo signo non usi fuissent, nec consuevissent signari, nisi qd' præd' nuper Abbas & prædecessores sui præd' per totum tempus præd' ad eorum libitum quosd' seu aliquos de minorib' cignettis annuatim pullulant' quos ad usum & culinæ & hospitalitatis suæ statuerunt expendend', in hunc modum annuatim signare consueverunt, & usi fuerunt, viz. amputare mediam juncturam unius alæ, Angl' to cut off the Pinion of one Wing, cujuslib' talis cignetti, ea intentione, qd' cignetti sic amputati minime valerent avolare.* And afterwards the said Abbot surrendered the Premises to K. H. 8. who *Ann. 35th* of his Reign granted to *Giles (a) Strangways Esq;* by his Letters Patents *inter alia, totam illam liberam Piscariam nostr' in aqua, vocat' the Fleet in Abbotsbury præd', ac omnia mesuag', aquas, piscat' & cætera hereditam' nostr' quæcunq; in Abbotsbury, in dict' Com' Dorset dict' nuper Monasterio, &c. adeo plene & integre, &c. & in tam amplis modo & forma, &c.* and that the said *Giles* died, and it descended to *Giles Strangways* his Cousin and Heir, who demised to the Defendants the said Game of Swans for one Year, &c. and prayed *quod manus dictæ Domine Regine amoveantur.* Upon which the Queen's Attorney did demur in the Law.

I. It was resolved, That all white Swans not marked, which have gained their natural Liberty, and are swimming in an open and common River might be seised to the King's Use by his Prerogative, because *Volatilia, (quæ sunt feræ naturæ) alia sunt regalia, alia communia*: and so *Aquatilium, alia sunt regalia, alia communia*: as a Swan is a Royal Fowl; and all those, the Property whereof is not known, do belong to the King by his Prerogative: and so (b) Whales and Sturgeons are Royal Fish and belong to the King by his Prerogative. And there hath been an ancient Officer of the King's, called *Magister deductus cignorum,*

(a) Dav. 57. 8.  
(b) Dav. 56. a.  
Stamf. Prærog.  
37. b. 38. a.  
5 Co. 108. b.  
Plowd. 315. b.

which continues to this Day. But it was resolv'd also, that the Subject might have Property in white Swans not marked, as some may have Swans not marked in his private Waters, the Property of which belongs to him, and not to the King; and if they escape out of his private Waters into an open and common River, he may bring them back and take them again. And therewith agreeth *Bracton*, lib. 2. c. 1. fol. 9. *Si autem animalia fera facta fuerint mansueta, & ex consuetudine eunt & redeunt, volant & revolant, (ut sunt Cervi, Cigni, Pavones, & Columbae, & hujusmodi) eousq; nostra intelligantur quamdiu habuerint animum revertendi.* But if they have gained their natural Liberty, and are swimming in open and common Rivers, the King's Officer may seise them in the open and common River for the King: For one white Swan without such pursuit, as aforesaid, cannot be known from another, and when the Property of a Swan cannot be known, the same being of its Nature a Fowl Royal, doth belong to the King; and in this Case the Book of 7 H. 6. 27. b. was vouched, where Sir *John Tiptoft* brought an Action of Trespass for wrongful taking of his Swans; the Defendant pleaded that he was seised of the Lordship of S. within which Lordship, all those whose Estate he hath in the said Lordship, had had Time out of Mind, all Estraises being within the said Manor; and we say that the said Swans were estraying at the Time in the Place where, &c. and we as Landlords did seise and make Proclamations in Fairs and Markets, and so soon as we had Notice that they were your Swans, we delivered 'em to you at such a Place. The Plaintiff replied that he was seised of the Manor of B. joining to the Lordship of S. and we say, that we and our Ancestors, and all those, &c. have used Time out of Mind, to have Swans swimming thro' all the Lordship of S. and we say, that long time before the taking we put 'em in there, and gave Notice of 'em to the Defend. that they were our Swans; and prayed his Damages, And the Opinion of *Strange* there was well approved by the Court, That the Replication was good: For when the Plaintiff may lawfully put his Swans there, they cannot be Estraises, no more than the Cattle of any can be Estraises in such Place where they ought to have Common; because they are there where the Owner hath an Interest to put 'em, and in which Place they may be without Negligence or Laches of the Owner. Out of which Case, these Points were observed concerning Swans: 1. That every one who hath Swans within his Manor, that is to say, within his private Waters, hath a Property in 'em, for the Writ of Trespass was of wrongful taking his Swans: *scil. Quare cignos suos, &c.* 2. That one may prescribe to have a Game of Swans within his Manor, as well as a Warren, or Park. 3. That he who hath such a Game of Swans may prescribe, that his Swans may swim within the

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Fitz. Barr 6.  
Br. Estray 3.

Manor of (a) another. 4. That a Swan may be an Estray, and (a) 3 Keb. 275. so cannot any other Fowl, as I have read in any Book. In (b) 2 R. 3. 15. b. & 16. a. The *Ld. Strange* and Sir *John Charleton* brought an Action of Trespass against three, because the Defendants had taken and carried away 40 Cignets of the Plaintiffs in the County of *Bucks.* to his Damages of 10*l.* One of the Defendants pleaded, That the Water of the *Thames* ran through the whole Realm, and that the County of *Buckingham* is adjoining to the *Thames*, and that the Custom of the said County of *Buckingham* is, and hath been Time out of Mind, That every Swan (for Cigner in the Book is taken for a Swan) which hath its Course in any Water, which Water runs to the *Thames* within the same County, That if any Swan comes on the Land of any Man, and there builds, and hath Cignets on the same Land, that then he who hath the Property of the Swan shall have two of the Cignets, and he who hath the Land shall have the third Cignet, which shall be of less Value than the other two; and that was adjudged a good Custom, because the Possessor of the Land suffers them to build there, where he may drive them off. And by this Judgment it also appears, That a Man may alledge a Custom or prescribe in Swans or Cignets. And in the same Case it is said, That the Truth of the Matter was, that the Lord *Strange* had certain Swans which were Cocks, and Sir *John Charleton* certain Swans which were Hens, and they had Cignets between them; and for these Cignets the Owners did join in one Action, for in such Case by the general Custom of the Realm, which is the Common Law in such Case, the Cignets do belong to both the Owners in common equally, *sc.* to the Owner of the Cock, and the Owner of the Hen; and the Cignets shall be divided betwixt them. And the Law thereof is founded on a Reason in Nature; for the Cock-Swan is an Emblem or Representation of an affectionate and true Husband to his Wife above all other Fowls; for the Cock-Swan holdeth himself to one Female only, and for this Cause Nature hath conferred on him a Gift beyond all others; that is, to die so joyfully, that he sings sweetly when he dies; upon which the Poet saith;

*Dulcia defecta modulatur carmina lingua,  
Cantator, cygnus, funeris ipse sui, &c.*

And therefore this Case of the Swan doth differ from the Case of Kine, or other Brute Beasts. *Vide* 7 *Hen.* 4. 9. And it was agreed, that none can have a Swan-mark, which in *Latin* is called (*cignipota*) unless it be by the Grant of the King, or of his Officers authorized thereto, or by Prescription. And if he hath a lawful Swan-mark, and hath Swans swimming in open and common Rivers, lawfully marked therewith, they belong to him *ratione privilegii.* But none shall have a Swan-mark, or Game of Swans, unless he hath Lands or Tenements of an Estate of Freehold of the yearly Value of 5 Marks, above all Charges on Pain of Forfeiture of his Swans, whereof the K. shall have one Moiety, and he who seises shall have the other Moiety; and that is by the Stat. of 22 *Ed.* 4. cap. 6. And he who hath such Swan-mark may grant it over. And thereof I have seen a notable Precedent in the Time of *Hen.* 6. which is such, *Notum sit omnibus hominibus presentibus & futuris, quod ego J. Steward Miles, dedi & concessi*

concessi Tho' fil' meo primogenito & hæredib' suis, cigninot' meam armor' meor', prout in margine laterali pingitur, quæ mihi jure hæreditar' descendeb' post mort' J. Steward mil' patris mei: Habend' sibi & hæredib' suis, una cum omnib' cignis & cignicul' cum dicta nota baculi nodati signat', sub condit' qd' quilib' feria solis durante vita, a gula Augusti usq; ad Carnisprivium apud dom' meam de Darford, unum cignicul' bene signat' mihi aut meis deliberet, qd' si defecerit, tunc volo, qd' hoc præsens chirographum cassetur penitus, & pro nihilo habeatur. In cuj' rei testimon' ad instant' Matildæ uxor' meæ, meum sigil' secret' Christi crucifixi præsentib' feci apponi. Hiis testib' R. Clerico, J. de Conyers, Alano Fabro, & al'. Dat. apud dom' meam mansional' de Darf. in vigilia S. Dunst' Ep' an' Regni Regis Hen' post conquest' Angliæ sexti 14. And in the Margent was painted a little ragged Staff. And in this case it was resolv'd, That in some of 'em which are *feræ naturæ*, a Man hath *jus proprietatis*, a Right of Property, and in some of 'em a Man hath *jus privilegii*, a Right of Privilege. And there are 3 Manner of Rights of Property, *scil.* Property absolute, Property qualified, and Property possessory. A Man hath not absolute Property in any Thing which is *feræ naturæ*, but in those which are *domitæ naturæ*. Property qualified and possessory a Man may have in those which are *feræ naturæ*, and to such Property a Man may attain by two ways, by Industry, or *ratione impotentie & loci*, by Industry as by taking them, or by making them *mansueta*, i. e. *manui assueta*, or *domestica*, i. e. *domui assueta*: But in those which are *feræ naturæ*, and by Industry are made tame, a Man hath but a qualified Property in 'em, *scil.* so long as they remain tame, for if they do attain to their natural Liberty, and have not *animum revertendi*, the Property is lost, *ratione impotentie & loci*: As if a Man has young Shovelers or Goshawks, or the like, which are *feræ naturæ*, and they build in my land, I have possessory Property in 'em, for if one takes 'em when they cannot fly, the Owner of the Soil shall have an Action of Trespass, *Quare boscum suum fregit*, & *tres pullos espervoor' suor' or ardear' suar' pretii tantum*, *nuper in eod' bosco nidificant'*, *cepit & asportav'*; and therewith agreeth the Regist' and F. N. B. 86. L. & 89. K. 10 Ed. 4. 14. 18 Ed. 4. 8. 14 H. 8. 1. b. Stamsf. 25. b. & c. vid. 12 H. 8. 4. & 18 H. 8. 12. But when a Man hath savage Beasts *ratione privilegii*, as by reason of a Park, Warren, &c. he hath not any Property in the Deer, or Conies, or Pheasants, or Partridges; and therefore in an Action, *Quare Parcum, Warrennam, &c. fregit & intrav'*, & 3. *damas, lepores, cuniculos, phasianos, perdices*, *cepit & asportavit*, he shall not say (*suos*) for he hath no Property in 'em, but they do belong to him *ratione privil'* for his game and pleasure, so long as they remain in the privileged Place; for if the Owner of the Park dies, his Heir shall have 'em, and not his Executors or Administrat' because without 'em the Park, which is an Inheri-

3 Inst. 98, 109,  
110.  
Cro. El. 125.  
Cro. Car. 388.  
545, 554.  
Co. Lit. 47. a.

Doct. pl. 314.

F. N. B. 86. M.  
87 a. Cr. Car.  
388, 554.  
Co. Lit. 47. a.  
F. N. B. 87. a.  
Co. Lit. 8. a.  
Cro. El. 372.  
Kelw. 118. a.  
Owen 20.  
Goldf. 129.  
1 Rol. 916.  
Wentw. 81.

Inheritance, is not compleat ; nor can Felony be committed of them, but of those which are made Tame, in which a Man by his Industry hath any Property, Felony may be committed. And therewith agrees the Rule of the Book in 3 *H. 6. 55. b. 8 E. 4. 5. b. 22 H. 6. 59.* which is ill reported, and 43 *E. 4. 24. vid. 22 Aff. 12 H. 8. 3. 13 El. Dyer 306. 38 E. 3. 10. Vide 2 E. 2. tit. Distress, 2 E. 2. Avowry 182.* But a Man may have Property in some Things which are of so base Nature, that no Felony can be committed of 'em, and no Man shall lose Life or Member for 'em, as of a Blood-hound, or Mastiff, *molossus*, 12 *H. 8. 3. Vide 18 H. 8. 2.* But he who steals the Eggs of Swans out of the Nest, shall be imprisoned for a Yeat and a Day, and fined at the Will of the King ; one Moiety to the King, the other to the Owner of the Land where the Eggs were so taken, and that is by the Stat. of 11 *H. 7. cap. 17.* And it hath been said of old Time, That he who steals a Swan in an open and common River, lawfully marked, the same Swan (if it may be) or another Swan shall be hung in a House by the Beak, and he who stole it, shall in Recompence thereof be obliged to give the Owner so much Wheat that may cover all the Swan, by putting and turning the Wheat on the Head of the Swan, until the Head of the Swan be covered with the Wheat. And it was resolved, That in the principal Case the Prescription was insufficient ; for the Effect of the Prescription is to have all wild Swans, which are *feræ naturæ*, and not marked, *nidificant*, *gignent*, & *frequentant*, within the said Creek. And such Prescription for a Warren would be insufficient, *scil.* to have all Pheasants and Partridges, *nidificantes*, *gignentes*, and frequenting within his Manor. But he ought to say, to have free Warren of them within his Manor: For altho' they are *nidificantes*, *gignentes*, and frequenting within the Manor, he cannot have 'em *jure privilegii*, but so long as they are within the Place. But it was resolv'd, That if the Defendants had alledged, that within the said Creek there had been Time out of Mind, a Game of wild Swans not marked, building and breeding ; and then had prescribed, that such Abbot and all his Predecessors, &c. had used at all Times to have and take to their use some of the said Game of wild Swans and their Cignets within the said Creek, it had been good ; for altho' Swans are Royal Fowls, yet in such a Manner a Man may prescribe in them ; for that may have a lawful beginning by the King's Grant : For in *Rot. Parliam. 30 Ed. 3. part. 2. num. 20.* the King granted to *C. W.* all wild Swans unmarked between *Oxford* and *London* for 7 Years. In *eodem Rot' an' 16. R. 2. p. 1. num' 39.* the like Grant of wild Swans unmarked in the County of *Camb'* to *B. Beresford Kt.* In *eod' Rot' an' 1 H. 4. p. 6. num' 14.* A Grant made to *J. Fenn*, to survey and keep all wild Swans unmarked, *ita quod de proficuo respondeat ad Scaccarium.*

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*Sir THOMAS CECIL's Case.* PART VII.

By which it appears that the King may grant wild Swans unmarked ; and by Consequence a Man may prescribe in them within a certain Place, because it may have a lawful Beginning. And a Man may prescribe to have Royal Fish within his Manor, as it is held in 39 *Ed.* 3. 35. for the Reason aforesaid. And yet without Prescription they do belong to the King by his Prerogative.

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*Sir THOMAS CECIL's Case.*

*Mich. 39 & 40 Eliz.*

*In the Exchequer.*

SIR *Thomas Cecil* being seised of the Manor of *Strickston* in the County of *North.* did enter into Communication with one *Foster* to exchange divers Parcels thereof with him for certain Lands which the said *Foster* had in the same Town ; and before any Exchange perfected, Sir *Thomas* did convey the said Manor, and the said Land of the said *Foster*, by the special Name of the said *Foster*, by Deed indented and inrolled, to Queen *Elizabeth*, her Heirs and Successors, and covenanted with the Queen, that he was seised as well of the said Manor as of the said Land late *Foster's*, of a good Estate in Fee-simple, &c. and the said Sir *Thomas* was bound to the Queen in an Obligation of ten thousand Marks to perform the said Covenant amongst others. And the said Sir *Thomas* had before that Time exhibited an *English* Bill in the Exchequer-Chamber, containing the Matter aforesaid ; and that the said Lands, Parcel of the said Manor intended to be given in Exchange to *Foster*, were of greater Value than the said Land of the said *Foster*, so that the Queen was not deceived in the Value ; which Lands Parcel of the Manor passed to the Queen by the Conveyance of the Manor, and nevertheless the Covenant and Obligation of the said Sir *Thomas* as to that was broken and forfeited by the Rigour of the Law.

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But the said Sir T. in his Bill did rely on the Stat. of 33 (a) H. 8. c. 39. by which it is enacted, *That if any Person of whom any such Debt or Duty is, or at any Time hereafter shall be demanded, alledge, plead, declare, or shew in any of the said Courts, good, perfect and sufficient Cause, and Matter in Law, Reason, or good Conscience, in bar or discharge of the said Debt or Duty, or why such Person or Persons ought not to be charged or chargeable to, or with the same, and the same Cause or Matter sufficiently prove in such one of the said Courts as he or they shall be impleaded, sued, vexed, or troubled for the same, that then the said Courts, and every of them, shall have full power and authority to accept, judge, and allow the same Proof, and wholly and clearly to acquit and discharge all and every Person and Persons that shall be so pleaded, vexed, sued, or troubled for the same, any Thing in this present Act before mentioned to the contrary notwithstanding, &c.* And that Process was sued against him on the said Bond out of the Court of Exchequer. Upon which Act of Parliament, and the Matter aforesaid (being as he supposed good, perfect, and sufficient Cause and Matter in Reason, and good Conscience within the said Act to discharge him of the said Bond) the said Sir T. by his said Bill prayed to be relieved, and thereupon he had a Commission to examine Witnesses, to prove the Matter of his Bill to be true, which was returned and published. And upon the Hearing of the Cause in Court in the Exchequer Chamber, it appeared by the Testimony of divers Witnesses, that the Plaintiff had made direct Proof of all the Parts of his Bill. And now in this Term, 39 & 40 El. divers Questions were moved touching this matter. 1. And the principal was, If the branch of the Act extended to any debt mentioned in the said Act, for which the K. had remedy by the com. law, or to such debts and such cases only for which the said Act gave a remedy to the K. which he had not before. 2. If the Court could make a discharge by decree on this *English* bill within the intent. of the Act. And as to the 1st, it is to be known, that divers branches of the Act are to be considered: 1. The Act makes all Obligat. to the K. in nature of a Statute Staple. 2. Another branch gives the Suit to the K. altho' the Obligat. had been made to another to the Use of the King. 3. That the King upon Suit upon every Obligation made or to be made, shall recover damages and costs. 4. The Stat. gives remedy to the K. for recovery of his debt or duty. &c. by *Capias, Exend' fac. Subpœna, Attachment, and Proclamation of Allegiance* (if need be) or otherwise as to any of the Courts it shall by their discretions be thought expedient for the speedy Recovery of the King's Debts. 5. There is a Clause, that the K. shall be preferred in his Execution before common Persons. 6. The Heir who claims by the Gift of his Ancestor shall be bound to pay the King's Debt (due before or after the Gift)

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(a) Hard. 27,  
304, 368, 442.  
4 Inst. 118, 119.  
3 Co. 12. b.  
Postea 21. a. b.  
Lane 51.  
O. Bendl. 65, 66,  
67. Lit. Rep.  
87, 88.

4 Inst. 118, 119.

by Judgment, Recognizance, Obligation, or other Specialty, and shall bind the Land also to the King's Debt against the Issue in Tail; then comes the said Proviso whereof the Question doth arise, *Provided always, and be it enacted*, That if any Person, &c. *ut supra*. And it was objected, That it should extend only to such Cases in which Remedy is given to the King by this Statute, as where a Bond was made to the Use of the King, or to charging the Issue in Tail, or to charging the Heir who claims by Gift before the Debt accrued, &c. there because the Stat. gives the King a Remedy which he had not before, this branch gives the Party so charged by this Act, a Plea to discharge him, either by Matter of Bar in Law, or in good Conscience. And that was strongly enforced by the Conclusion of this Proviso; for the Conclusion is, (as it appeareth before) *any thing in this Act before mentioned to the contrary notwithstanding*; so that the Sense was, that the Party might take any Matter in Law or good Conscience, notwithstanding any Thing contained in this Act; which is as much as to say, that this Act shall be no Impediment to it. But in our Case the King had a Remedy by the Common Law, and therefore this Proviso should not help him. As to that it was answered and resolved by the Court, That the said Sir T. Cecil on the Matter aforesaid was to be relieved by the Aid of this Proviso. For the said Act of 33 H. 8. hath given a Benefit and Advantage to the King: 1. In making every Bond made to the King in Nature of a Statute Staple. 2. In giving Remedy to the King himself for Obligations made to others to his Use. 3. To recover Costs and Damages. 4. In suing of Execution for all his Debts. 5. In charging the Issue in Tail, and the Heir who hath the Land of the Gift of his Ancestor; and therefore it was the Intent of the Act to gratify the Subject, that where a new Provision was made for the levying of the King's Debt in a more speedy and beneficial Manner than the King had before, the Subject also should have some new Benefit which he had not before, and that was to discharge himself by Matter alledged to be a discharge in good Conscience: Also this Proviso doth not only give Benefit to him who hath Matter in good Conscience, but also to him who hath *good, perfect, and sufficient Cause and Matter in Law, Reason*, (and then comes) *good Conscience*: And without Question the first Words, (*Cause and Matter in Law*) shall extend to all the King's Debts and Process thereupon, as well at the Common Law as upon this Act. And the Conclusion of the said branch makes not against it, for the Sense of it was, that he might plead Matter in Law or good Conscience, and that nothing contained in the said Act should be an Impediment to it. And so was it held in the like Case on the like Words, in the 2d saving of 27 H. 8. *cap.* 10. of Uses in *Cheynie's Case*, where

3 Co. 12. b.  
8 Co. 171. a.

Postea 21. b.

Hard. 304.

where the Proviso saves the Right, &c. of, &c. As if the Act had not been made; and there the Case was, that the Lessor did enfeof the Lessee to the Use of others, in which Case, if the Statute had never been made, the Term had been merged at the Common Law. But *Trin. 27 El.* it was resolved, that the Term was saved, and the same Exposition made of the Words as before. Also these notable Precedents were cited, which were resolved in the Exchequer by the Barons of the Exchequer, upon Conference had with the two Chief Justices, one in the Case of Sir *Will. Herbert* in *Trin. 37 El.* who was relieved on the said Branch of the said Act <sup>3 Co. 15. b.</sup> for Matter in Equity, because in a *Scire facias* against him as Heir to *Matthew Herbert* his Father on a Recognizance acknowledged to King *E. 6.* by the said *Matt.* the Sheriff returned *Scire feci*, and upon his Default Judgment was given, as you may see in *Matt. Herbert's Case*, in the 3d Part of my Reports. And because in Truth he was never summoned, and had good Matter, if he had Notice thereof, to plead in discharge of the said Recognizance, because he had no Land by Descent from his Father, nor any Land from him after the Recognizance acknowledged, all which he shewed in certain in an *English Bill* in the Exchequer Chamber; upon which, upon Conference had by Sir *Reg.* <sup>3 Co. 15. b.</sup> *Manwood* and the other Barons, with the two Chief Justices, by Decree he was discharged of the said Recognizance, &c. Another Case cited was, *Tho. D. of Norf.* was attainted by Parliament, *Anno 38 H. 8.* And King *E. 6.* sold to Sir *Edw.* <sup>Ante 13. a.</sup> *Rous* divers Timber-trees growing upon the Possessions of the said Duke in *Suff.* and Sir *Edw.* was bound in an Obligation to King *Ed. 6.* for Payment of certain Money, at a certain Day for the said Trees, and before the Day of Payment, and before the said Sir *Edw.* cut down any of the said Trees, *Edw. VI.* died. And at a Parliament held *anno 1 Reg. Mar.* it was declared by Parliam. that the said Attainder of the said Duke was void; for which cause the said Sir *Edw.* could never enjoy the said Trees according to his bargain: And in a *Scire facias* in the Exchequer on the said Obligation against the Heir and Tertenant of Sir *Ed.* *anno 28 El.* they appeared, and pleaded all the said Matter in Equity in Bar and Discharge of the said Obligation in a *Latin Plea* in the Exch. And upon good Consideration of the Stat. of *33 H. 8.* by the Barons, and of the said Plea, at last (after it had depended long) it was resolved by the Barons, that the Def. were to be relieved within the said Act; and that the Def. might well plead it in Bar. And thereupon *Poph.* the Attorney General seeing the Opin. of the Court, *ulterius prosequi non vult.* Both which Precedents I shewed to the Just. and accordingly it was resolved by all the Just. of *Engl.* (who met together to give their Opinions in the said Case) That Sir *Thomas Cecil* was to be relieved upon the said Matter in Equity

Equity within the Purview of the said Branch of 33 H. 8. And 2dly, That the Court of Exchequer-Chamber might well upon the said *English* Bill (altho' the Suit was by Process at the Common Law in the Court of Exchequer before the Barons) make a Decree in the Case; for to this Purpose they are but one Court. Then it was moved, if the next Proviso next following after the Branch concerning the equal charging of Land liable to the King's Debt in the Hands of every Owner and Possessor, that some of them should not be charged only, but all entirely, if that extends to all the King's Debts; and to all Executions for the levying of them as well at the Common Law, as on the said Act. And it was resolved by them, that the said Branch-did extend to all Executions for the King's Debts, as well at the Common Law as on the said Act; and that all should be equally extended by Force of that Branch according to the Purview of that Act. It was also resolved, That altho' the Obligation was made for Performance of Covenants, yet after that it was broken, (as it was in the Case at Bar at the Time of Sealing and Delivery thereof) That it was a Debt to the King by Obligation within the Act.

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# The Lord ANDERSON'S Case.

*In the Exchequer.*

Trin. 41 Eliz.

**B**ETWEEN the Lord Anderson Chief Justice of the Court of Lane 51.  
Common Pleas, and Sibthorpe of the Middle Temple, a  
Question was moved upon the Branch of the said Act of  
33 H. 8. cap. 39. That is to say, *That all Manors, Lands,  
&c. which now be, or that hereafter shall come, or be in, or  
to the Possession or Seisin of any Person to whom the same  
Manors, Lands, &c. have heretofore or hereafter shall de-  
scend, &c. in Fee-simple, or Fee-tail, &c. by, or after the  
decease of any of his or their Ancestor or Ancestors as Heir,  
or by gift of his Ancestor, whose Heir he is, which said An-  
cestor or Ancestors, was, is, or shall be indebted to the King,  
or to any other Person to his Use, by Judgment, Recogni-  
zance, Obligation, or other Specialty; That then, in every  
such Case, the same Manors, Lands, &c. shall be and stand  
by Authority of this Act from henceforth charged and  
chargeable, to and for the Payment of the same Debt.* If Ten-  
nant in Tail of the Manor of D. be bound in a Recogni-  
zance to J. S. which Recognizance afterwards comes to the  
Queen, by the Attainder of J. S. of High Treason, and af-  
terwards Tenant in Tail dies, and the Issue in Tail Aliens  
the Land *bona fide*, If the Queen may extend the Manor of  
D. in the Hands of the Alienee. And in this Case four  
Points were resolved by the Barons on Conference had with  
Popham Chief Justice, and divers other Justices. 1. It was re-  
solved, that before the said Statute of 33 H. 8. If Tenant in  
Tail of Land became indebted to the King by Judgment,  
Recognizance, Obligation, or otherwise, and died, the King  
should not (a) extend the Land in the Seisin of the Issue in (a) F. N. B.  
Tail; For the King is (b) bound by the Statute *de Donis Con-* 217. C.  
*ditionalibus*, as it is adjudged in *Plowden's Commentaries* in (b) 1 Co. 44.  
the Lord Berkley's Case 22. in the principal Case; and there- 48. a.  
with agrees, as to the Point in Question, the Resolution of 5 Co. 14. b.  
the Court in the Exchequer, and of the Court of Sur- 11 Co. 72. a.  
veyors in the Case of *Brown*, Father of Justice *Brown*, as Postea 32. a.  
as 41. b.  
Plowd. 243. b.  
244. a. 248. b.  
251. b. 252. a.  
it 1 Rol R. 153.

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it is reported in *Plow. Com.* 249. b. So one Point well resolved, in which there was variety of opinions in our Books. *Vid.* 39 *Aff.* p. 18. 47 *E.* 3. 8 *Regist.* 143, 144. *F. N. B.* 217. a. & b. 2dly. It was resolv'd, that if Tenant in tail becomes indebted to the K. by the receipt of the King's Money, or otherwise, unless it be by Judgm. Recogniz. Obligat. or other Specialty, and dies, the land in the seisin of the issue in tail by force of the said Act of 33 *H.* 8. shall not be extended for such Debt of the King's, for the Stat. of 33 *H.* 8. extends only to the said 4 Cases; and all other debts remain at Com. Law. 3. It was resolved, That if Tenant in tail becomes indebted to the King by one of the four ways mention'd in the said Act, and dies, and before any process or extent the issue in tail *bona fide* aliens the land in Tail, that now this land shall not be extended by force of the said Act of 33 *H.* 8. for as it appears by the Words of the said branch, it makes the land in the possession or seisin of the heir in tail only liable against the issue in tail, and not the Alienee. For the effect of the Purview as to that purpose is, *That all lands which shall be in the possession or seisin of any person, to whom the same shall descend in fee tail as heir, whose ancestor was indebted to the King, &c. that then, in every such case, the same land shall be charged with the King's debt:* So that by the express purview of the Act. the Land shall be only extended so long as it is in the possession or seisin of the heir in tail; for the Act saith, *That in every such case the land shall be charged,* and for as much as the land against the issue in tail was not extendable before the said Act, the King hath the benefit to extend it in the possession of the heir in tail, which he could not before, but the King cannot extend in the hands of the alienee, for the Stat. doth not extend to it: and the makers of the Act had reason to favour the Purchaser, Farmer, &c. of the heir in tail, more than the heir himself, for they are strangers to the debts of the Tenant in tail, and they come to the land *bona fide*, and on good consideration. There is likewise another clause next following the said Branch, the effect of which is, *And that our Sovereign Lord, his heirs or successors, shall not be barred, delayed, &c. to demand and receive their just, &c. debts against any of his subjects, as heir or heirs, &c. if any such person or persons shall say or alledge, that they have no lands, &c. but only intailed or given to em by any of their ancestors to whom they be heirs:* So that by this clause also the intent of the makers of the Act appears, that the heir in tail shall be only charg'd with the King's debt. But lands in Fee-simple were extendable, at the Common Law, in whose Hands soever they came, and therefore as to them the Statute was but *declarativum antiqui juris*; but as to Estates in Tail, it was *introdutivum novi juris* against the Issue in Tail, and that in the case at Bar makes the difference of the said Cases

O. Bendl. 66.

3 Co. 14. b.

Ante 19. b.

Plowd. 440. a.  
3 Co. 12. b.

Hard. 2 7.

altho' both be joined together in one and the same Sentence. And *Popham* Ch. Justice said, That so it hath been resolved in the Exchequer before that time, in the case of *Serj. Nicholls*, Father of the *Serj.* that now is, that the Lands in the hands of the Purchaser of the issue in tail should not be extended by the said Act of 33 *H. 8.* for the debt that the Father of the issue in tail owed the K. (by one of the 4 ways mention'd in the Act) but was discharged by the opinion of the Court of Excheq. 4. It was resolv'd, that for as much as the said debt in the case at Bar was originally due to a subject, that such debt is not within the said Act of 33 *H. 8.* to charge the land in the Possession or Seisin of the heir in tail: For the said Act, as to charge lands intailed against the issue, extends only to debts originally and immediately due to the K. by Judgm. Recogniz. Obligat. or other specialty; for the words are, (*indebted to the K. † or any other to his Use by Judgm. &c.*) which is intended to be an \*immediate debt, and not to debts which were due to subjects, and did belong or accrue to the K. by reason of attainder, outlawry, forfeiture, gift of the party, or by any other collateral way or means, for which the Stat. of 33 *H. 8.* hath a clause a little before the said branch, for the short and general manner, and form of pleading in such cases (for the recovery of 'em in the Courts mention'd in the said Act) on the King's part, *scil. That the Party such a year and day did give the same Debt to the K. or was attainted, outlawed or other Offence, forfeiture, deed, act or thing committed or done, by reason whereof the said debts did accrue and ought to remain, come, and be to the King.* So that the several manners of penning of these two Branches manifest the Intention of the makers of the Act, to prefer immediate debts due to the K. by Judgm. &c. before debts of the subjects, which accrued to the King by Assignm. Attainder, Outlawry, &c. and the reason was, because debts due immediately to the K. by Judgm. Recogniz. Obligat. or other Specialty, are in their nature higher, and may be better known, and found upon search, than debts due to subjects. Also when *J. N.* is indebted to *J. S.* by Judgm. Recogniz. Obligat. or other Special. and afterwards *J. S.* is outlawed, &c. by which the debt comes to the K. by the Outlawry, &c. in that Case it cannot be properly said, that *J. N.* is indebted to the King by Judgm. Recogniz. Obligat. or other Specialty; for by them he was indebted to *J. S.* and *J. S.* by his Outlawry (which is the K.'s Title) hath forfeited them to the King. So that by force of the Judgm. &c. and Outlaw. the debt doth belong to the K. And the words of the Act are (*indebted to the King, or any other to his use by Judgm. &c.*) so that the debt either ought to be immediately to the K. himself; or if it be to any other than the K. it ought to be originally to the use of the K.

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and that it is not when the Debt is originally due to a Subject to his own Use, and afterwards forfeited to the King by a subsequent Act. And so it was resolved, That for such Debt the Queen should not extend either against the Alience of the Heir in Tail, or against the Heir in Tail himself; for such Debts are not within the said Act of 33 H. 8. as to charge the Heir in Tail; and so remain at the Common Law as Debts immediately due to the King, which are not due by Judgment, Recognizance, Obligation, or other Specialty, as hath been said before.

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BUTT'S

## B U T T ' s Case.

*Trin.* 42 Eliz.

*In the Common Pleas.*

**I**N a Replevin between *Fish* and *Butt*, the Case in Effect was, one seised of *Black Acre* in Fee, and also possessed of *White Acre* for Years, by his Deed granted a Rent out of both to *A.* to have and perceive to him for the Term of his Life, with Clause of distress in both: And for Rent behind *A.* doth distress and avow in *White Acre*, and if the Distress was well taken or not, was the Question. And it was agreed by the whole Court, That the Distress was well taken. And in this Case these Points were resolved:

1. That if Lessee for Years of a Carve of Land, grants to another a Rent out of the said Carve for the Life of the Grantee, that it is a good Charge during the Term, if the Grantee so long live; for the Grant shall be taken more strong against the Grantor, and shall not be void, when by any Construction it may be made good (*Vide Plow. Comment. in Welchden's Case*) and in such Case the Grantee hath but a Chattel. So if the Lessee for Years Grants the Carve of Land to another, for the Term of his Life, he hath the whole Term if he live so long, as well as in the Case of a Devise. 2. It was resolved, That when a Rent is granted out of Land in Fee, and out of a Term for Years, to have and perceive to the Grantee for the Term of his Life, that this, as an Estate of Freehold, according to the Purport of the Deed, cannot Issue out of the Term for Years, but out of the Land which the Grantor hath in Fee-simple only, because the Freehold of the Rent can Issue out of that, and not out of the Chattel. And one entire Rent cannot be a Freehold out of *Black Acre*, and a Chattel out of *White Acre*. And to make two Rents when one only is granted by one to another, would be in this Case injurious, and the Bargain and mutual Agree-

*Gr. El.* 183.

*V. Postea* 25. a.

*Co. Lit.* 147. b.

*Gr. Jac.* 390.

*1 Rol. Rep.* 330.

*Gr. El.* 607, 622

- ment of the Parties cannot charge such thing with Rent, which is not (a) chargeable by the Law, as out of an Hundred, or Advowson, 30 lib. *Affisarum* pl. 5. out of a Fair, 14 E. 3. *Sci' fac.* 122. the E. of Kent's Case; neither can a Rent be granted or reserved of any Estate of Freehold out of any other Hereditament which is not manurable, either in Possession, Reversion, or by Possibility, but is *hereditamentum incorporeum*; for *Paeta privata non derogant juri communi*: And in an Assise they cannot be put in view, nor can any distress be taken in them. But in the Case at Bar, *White Acre* is *hereditamentum corporeum*, and manurable; but for the Smallness and Incapacity of the Interest that the Grantor hath in it, this Rent of Freehold cannot issue thereout, but shall issue only out of the Land in Fee-simple. And in the Case at Bar, in an Assise brought of this Rent, the Land in Fee shall only be put in view, and if the Grantee accept a Lease, or Grant of *White Acre*, it will not suspend his Rent. 3. It was resolved, that *White Acre* should during the Term be subject to the Distress of the Grantee for the Rent during the Years, altho' the Rent doth not issue thereout, as in 41 (46) *Ed.* 3. 14. when Land is charged with a Rent in Fee, Goods (b) and Chattels may be bound to the Distress. And it was said, forasmuch as *White Acre* is only charged with distress, if the Grantee takes a Lease of any Part thereof, it is no Suspension of the Distress, but that he may distrain in the Residue; for it is not issuing out of the Land, but to be taken on the Land: as if I have a Warren in another's Land, and take a Lease of Parcel of the Land, altho' the Land be charged with Warren, yet forasmuch as it doth issue out of the Land it is not any Suspension. *Vide* (c) 35 H. 6. 56. a. 14 H. 4. 6, &c. for a Man may have a Warren in his own Lands: So he may in many Cases distrain in his own Possession, as in 31 E. 1. *Distress* 64. & 7 H. 6. 3. *per Curiam*, one Tenant in common may distrain the Cattle of the other in the Land which they have in common: and 26 H. 8. 5. he may prescribe to distrain in his own Land, but not to have a Rent out of his own Land. (d) If a Man by deed grants a Rent of 40 s. to another out of his Manor of D. to have and perceive to him and his Heirs; and Grants further by the same Deed, that if the Rent be behind, the Grantee shall distrain in the Manor of S. (be the Manor of S. in the same County or in another, and be it granted by one or divers Deeds) the Rent is only issuing out of the Manor of D. and it is but a (e) Penalty that he may distrain in the Manor of S. but both the Manors are charged, one with the Rent, the other with the Distress for the Rent, one issuing out of the Land, the other to be taken on the Land.
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- (a) Co. Lit. 47. a. 5 Co. 3. a. 4. a. Palm. 105. Co. L. t. 44. b. 142. a. 2 Rol. 446. Cr. Jac. 111, 112. Moor 163, 168. 2 Sand 303, 304. Raym. d. 194. Cr. El. 690. Br. Rents 11. Br. Tenure 26. Br. Assise 309.
- (b) C. Lit. 147. a.
- (c) 11 Co. 12. b. D. 20. pl. 209. Div. 5. b. Poph. 169.
- (d) Co. Lit. 147. a. 2 Rol. 426.
- (e) Co. Lit. 147. a. 2 Rol. 425.

And if I grant unto you, that you and your Heirs shall

(a) distrain for a Rent of forty Shillings within my Manor of S. this by Construction in Law shall amount to a Grant of a Rent out of my Manor of S. for if it should not amount to a Grant of a Rent, the Grant should be of little force or Effect, if the Grantee should have only a bare Distress, and no Rent in him; for then he should never have an Assise thereof, &c. and that is the Reason, That it is often ruled and resolved, that it shall amount to a (b) Grant of a rent by construction of law, *ut res magis valeat*, 53 Ed. 3. 12. 3 Aff. p. 7. 14 Aff. p. 14. 15 E. 3. 111. Grants 64. 18 Ed. 3. 32. 26 Aff. pl. 38. 30 Aff. pl. 12. 46 Ed. 3. 18, 32. 8 H. 4. 19. 9 H. 6. 9. a. 22 H. 6. 11. Littl. 48. b. And in such Case the Grantee should not have a Writ of Annuity. But when one grants a Rent out of the Manor of D. and further grants, that if the Rent be behind, the Grantee shall distrain for the same Rent in the Manor of S. it is but a Penalty (c) in the Manor of S. for three Causes: 1. The Law (d) need not make Construction that it shall amount to a Grant of a Rent; for here a Rent is expressly granted to be issuing out of the Manor of D. and the Parties have expressly limited out of what Land the Rent shall issue, and in what Land the Distress shall be taken, and the Law will not make an Exposition against the express Words and Intent of the Parties, when it may stand with the Rule of Law, (e) *Quoties in verbis nulla est ambiguitas, ibi nulla expositio contra verba expressa fienda est.* 2. (f) If in that Case it should amount to a Grant of a Rent out of the Manor of S. then the Grantor would be twice charged; for if the Grantee brings a Writ of Annuity, that will extend only to the Manor of D. for on the Grant of a Distress in the Manor of S. no Writ of Annuity lies, because the Manor of S. is only charged, and not the Person of the Grantor, as to that; and therefore the bringing of the Writ of Annuity cannot discharge the Manor of S. of any Rent; and so the Law, by Construction against the Words and Intention of the Parties, would do an Injury to the Grantor to charge him twice. 3. (g) If in such Case the Manor of S. in which the Distress is only appointed, should be in another County, then it hath been often adjudged, that the Rent should not issue out of it, but the Distress should be as a Means and Remedy to compel the Tenant of the Land to pay the Rent. And it was said, That there was no difference in reason, that the Law in Construction should make the Rent to be issuing out of it, when it lies in the same County, and not when it lies in several Counties, for the Words in both Cases are all one, and it is not any reason to say, that he shall fail of

(a) Co. Lit.

147. a. 146. a.

Rol. 424.

9 H. 6. 9. a.

Dy. 22. pl. 141.

41. Aff. pl. 3.

Moor 592.

11 low. 139. a.

(b) Lit. sect. 221.

(c) 2 Rol. 425.

Co. Lit. 147. a.

(d) Co. Lit.

147. a.

(e) Wing. Max.

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Co. Lit. 147. a.

2 Sand. 167.

(f) Co. Lit.

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(g) Co. Lit.

147. a.

- Artea 3. a. b. Recovery by Affise. *Vide supra* in *Bulwer's Case*, and the Books in 1 *Aff. pl.* 10. 1 *Ed.* 3. 21. and other Books do not say that the Rent Issues in such Case out of both, but that the Land in which the Distress shall be taken is charged; and that is true; for it is charged with distress: and forasmuch as it was charged with distress, their Opinion was, That the
- Co. Lit. 147. a. Ten'ts of both should be named in the Affise. See the Books in 9 *Ed.* 3. 13. 31 *Aff. pl.* 27. 17 *Ed.* 4. 6. 10 *Aff.* 4. 10 *Ed.* 3. 18. 2 *Ed.* 2. *Aff.* 360. 1 *Aff.* 10. 3 *Aff.* 7. 32 *H.* 6. 27. 22 *Aff.* 66. 31 *Aff. pl.* 27. 29 *Ed.* 3. *Aff.* 366. And the Opinion of (a) *Finchden* in 41 *Ed.* 3. 15. was affirmed for good Law, that if the Manor of *D.* out of which the Rent is granted, be recovered by eigne Title, that all the Rent is extinct. But if the Manor of *S.* in which the Distress is limited, be evicted, yet the whole Rent remains. So if the Grantee (b) purchases Parcel of the Manor of *S.* the Rent is not extinct, because the Rent Issues only out of the Manor of *D.* *Vide* 17 *Ed.* 4. 6. the like Case. And it was said, That if a Man (c) grants a Rent out of 3 Acres, and further grants, that if the Rent be behind, that he shall distrain for the Rent in one of the
- \* Kelw. 104. a. Acres, the Rent is entire, and cannot be a Rent-seck \* out of two Acres, and a Rent-charge out of the 3d Acre, and therefore it is a Rent-seck for the whole; and yet he shall
- Co. Lit. 153. a. distrain for it in the 3d Acre. So if a (d) Rent be granted to two and their Heirs out of one Acre of Land, and that it shall be lawful for one of 'em and his Heirs to distrain in the same Acre for it, it is a Rent-seck, for in Regard they stand jointly seised of one entire Rent, it cannot be as to one a Rent-seck, and as to the other a Rent-charge, and this distress is as appurtenant to the Rent: and therefore if he who hath the Rent dies, the Survivor shall distrain; and if both Grant over the Rent to one, he shall distrain for it. (f) But if a Man grants a Rent out of *Bl.* Acre to one and his Heirs, and grants to him that he may distrain for it in the same Acre for the Term of his Life, it is a Rent-charge for his Life, and a Rent-seck afterwards *diversis temporibus*. Otherwise (g) is it if the Distress be limited for certain Years in the same Land, there it wholly remains a Rent-seck, because the Fee and Freehold are seck in such Case. But it was adjudged in the Case at Bar, that the Avowry was insufficient for divers Causes: 1. Because in the Avowry he did not make mention of any Land but of the Land in which he had but a Lease for Years, *sc. quod concessit extra terram illam inter alia quendam reddit'*, &c. Whereas in his Avowry he ought to have derived the Rent out of the Land in Fee-simple only, for out of that in Judgment of Law, the Rent for Life was issuing: And although the Plaintiff in Bar to the Avowry hath disclosed the whole Truth of the Matter in special, which in Judgment of the Law makes for the Avowant, and hath made his Case bet-
- (a) Co. Lit. 147. a.
- (b) Co. Lit. 147. b.
- (c) Co. Lit. 147. b.
- (d) Co. Lit. 147. b.
- (e) Co. Lit. 147. b.
- (f) Co. Lit. 147. b.
- (g) Co. Lit. 147. b. Bridg. 109.

better for him than the Avowant hath made it for himself, yet that doth not make the Avowry, which wants Substance, good; for the Avowry which is in the Nature of a Count, ought to contain sufficient Matter upon which he may have Judgment to have a Return. But if the Avowry, or any Count or Replication, &c. wants Form or omits Circumstance of Time, Place, &c. there the Plea of the other Party may mend such Imperfections (a) but cannot supply the Defect of Matter of Substance. *Vide 6 Ed. 4. 2. b. 6 H. 7. 10. 18 Ed. 4. 16. b. 18 Ed. 3. 34. Plow. Com. Barkley's Case 230. 38 H. 6. 17, 18, & 19. 22 E. 4. 2. 5 H. 7. 13. b. 7 H. 7. 6. b. &c. 2.* The Avowant pleaded the Grant out of the (b) Term for Years only, and concluded, *virtute cuius* he was seised in *Dominico suo ut de libero tenemento pro termino vite sue*, which is repugnant to have a Freehold out of a Term for Years. And so Judgment was given against the Avowant for insufficient Pleading.

(a) 18 E. 4. 16. b.  
Doct. pl. 69.  
Co. Lit. 303. b.  
8 Co. 120. b.  
133. & infra.  
Hertl. 174.  
Cr. Car. 209.  
11 H. 7. 24. b.  
Kelw. 13. a.  
(b) Doct. pl. 326.  
Antea 23. a.

[Note; where the Plaintiff is general in his Writ or Count, the Defendant may be as general in his Plea. Plow. 84. 6 Mod. 118, 119. v. 8 Co. 120, 133. 9 Co. 37.]

## Cases of *Quare Impedit*.

*Pasch. 31 Eliz. Rot. 141.*

2 Leon. 58.  
Sav. 107, 108.

*John Hall* brought a *Quare Impedit* against the Bishop of *Bath and Wells*, and *Thomas Maunton* Clerk, Defendants, for disturbing him to present to the Vicarage of *Wollawington* appendant to the Manor of *Wollawington*, whereof the Dean of *Windsor* was seised in his Demesne as of Fee in Right of his Deanery, and presented *Robert Pitman* his Clerk, who was instituted and inducted, and conveyed that Manor to the Earl of *Leicester* by Lease for Years, who assigned all his interest to *George Sidenham*, Knt. who granted it to *Christopher Roll*; and during his Possession the Vicarage became void by the Death of *Robert Pitman*; and the said *Christopher Roll* presented one *John Davis* his Clerk to the said Vicarage, who was admitted, &c. And afterwards the said *Christopher Roll* did grant his Interest in the said Lease to the Plaintiff. And afterwards the Vicarage became void by the Deprivation of the said *John Davis*, whereby it did belong to the Plaintiff to present, and the Defendants did disturb him, to his Damages, &c. To which the Bishop pleaded, that he claimed nothing but as Ordinary, and demanded Judgment, if without special Disturbance, &c. And *Thomas Maunton* said, That he claimed nothing in the Advowson of the Vicarage, but that he is Vicar of the said Church of the Presentation of the said *George Sidenham*, who is yet alive, not named in the Writ, and demanded Judgment of the Writ. The Plaintiff to the Bishop's Plea prayed Judgment, forasmuch as he claimed nothing in the Vicarage; and it was granted, but *cesset executio* until, &c. And as to the Plea of *Tho. Maunton* he did demur in Law. And the sole Question of the Case is, If the *Quare Impedit* lies against the Bishop and the Incumbent without naming the Patron. And it was resolved, That the Writ (a) should abate, and that the Patron ought to be named in the Writ, and that for 2 Reasons. 1. Because the Patronage would in this Case be recovered against him

(a) C. Jac. 651.  
Fitz. brief 582.  
Br *Quare Impedit* 24.

him who hath nothing in the Patronage. And it is not reasonable that he who is Patron should be dispossessed and ousted of his Patronage, when he is a Stranger, and not Party to the Writ, and especially in this Case, when he may be made Party to the Writ.

2. At the Common (a) Law the Incumbent could not plead any Plea which concern'd the Right of Patronage, and therefore it would be against Reason that he should be only named in the Writ, who at the Common Law cannot defend the Patronage, and he who hath the Patronage, and can plead to the Right of it, omitted in the Writ: For at the Common Law every one shall plead a Plea which is fit for him, and pertinent to his Case; as in Assise against Disseisor (b) and Tenant, &c. the Tenant shall plead a Plea which concerns the Tenancy, and not the Disseisin. And the Incumbent at the Common Law shall not plead to the Right of Patronage in which he hath nothing, but the Patron shall plead to that. And the

Mischief was, that (c) by the faint Pleading or Confession of the Patron in a *Quare Impedit* the Incumbent was without Remedy, as the Book is adjudged in 18 Ed. 3. 23. b. which was before the Statute of 25 Ed. 3. Vide 22 Hen. 6. 28. a. 9 Hen. 6. 30. a. b. 31. a. &c. But the Stat. of 25 Ed. 3. cap. 7. enables the (d) Possessor, &c. (which is as much as to say, the Incumbent, after Induction, as it is held in 4 Hen. 8. Dyer 1.) to counter-plead the Title taken for the King, and to have his Answer, and to shew and defend his Right upon the Matter, altho' he claim nothing in the Patronage, and by Equity he shall plead against all common Persons, as the Books are in 9 Hen. 6. 30. a. b. 31. a. &c. 22 Hen. 6. 28. a. 13 Hen. 8. 13. 14 Hen. 8. 29. Vide 39 Ed. 3. 30. 27 Ed. 3. 81. 46 Ed. 3. 13. 19. 47 Ed. 3. 11. a. b. 2 Rich. 2. Incumbent 4. 8 Hen. 5. 9. 7 Hen. 4. 34. 13 Hen. 4. 7. 22 Hen. 6. 26. 16 Ed. 4. 11. 2 Hen. 7. 14. 10 Hen. 4. Statbam.

And it is to be observed, that always when the Incumbent pleads in Bar, he first saith, that he is, *persona* (e) *impersonata Ecclesia prad*, &c. by which it is implied, that he is admitted, instituted, and able to plead in Bar, *scil.* against the King, that he is admitted, instituted, and inducted; and against a common (f) Person, that he is admitted and instituted, for then *est Ecclesia plena & consultia*, against a common Person, as it is held in 9 H. 6. 31. 22 H. 6. 27. 21 E. 4. 34. b. 24 E. 3. 30. 25 E. 3. 47. 38 E. 3. 9. a. 44 E. 3. 3. &c. But this Difference in the Case at Bar was taken and agreed; That when by the Judgment in the *Quare Impedit*, the Inheritance, Estate, or Interest of the Patron in the Patronage is to be devested by the Judgment in the *Quare Impedit* brought by *J. S.* there *J. N.* (g) who presented, (and his Clerk received) ought to be named in the Writ; but when the Inheritance, Estate or Interest of the Patron shall not be devested by the Judgment, then, if another Disturber be named in the Writ, it is not needful to name the rightful Patron in the Writ, and with this Difference agree our Books. For in (b) 42 E. 3. 7. a. One brought a *Quare Impedit* against another; the Def. said, that he claimed nothing in the Patronage, but said, that the Bishop did present him by Lapse, Judgment if, &c. and there *Balknap* prayed a Writ to the Bishop, because he had disclaimed in the Patronage; and the Court would not grant it, because inasmuch as neither the Patron, nor the Bishop (who in the same Case was

(a) Hob. 162.  
1 Anderf. 238.  
46 E. 3. 1a a.  
Doct. pl. 230.  
1 Leon. 45.

(b) 13 H. 8. 14. b.  
Co. Lit. 285. b.  
303. b. 2 Inst.  
414.

(c) 47 E. 3. 11.  
a. b.

(d) Hob. 319.  
Doct. pl. 230.  
231. Hob. 161.  
1 Leon. 45.  
Dyer 1. pl. 8.  
1 Jones 161.

(e) Doct. pl. 231.  
232.

\* F.N.B. 34. K.  
2 Inst. 356.  
2 Rol. 349.  
Co. Lit. 133. b.  
344. a. b.

Cr. Jac. 463.  
6 Co. 49. a.  
2 Inst. 356.  
2 Rol. 349.  
Co. Lit. 119. b.  
344. a.

Cr. Jac. 463.  
(g) Noy 151.  
2 Rol. Rep 239.  
2 Show. 167.  
3 Lev. 26, 206.

(h) Cr. Jac. 671.  
Fitz. brief 552.  
Br. Quare Impedit 24.

in the place of the patron) were not named in the writ, it was adjudged that the writ should abate; and if such writ should be maintainable, every patron by covin betw. a stranger and the Incumb. might be ousted of his Advowf. and therewith agree 9H.6.30. a. b. 31. a. &c. 3H.4.2. b. &c. 3. a. 13H.8.13. But in 7H.4.25, 37. there in a *Quare Imped.* because the Presentat. was only recovered, and not the Advowf. nor the patron put out of Possess. the writ was adjudged good without naming of the patron. If a *Quare Imp.* be brought against the patron and the Incumb. and the Patron dies pending the writ, the death of the patron shall not abate (a) the writ, as it is adjudged in 9H.6, 31. For there are 2 mischiefs, one if the writ should abate the disturbance would be unpunished; and altho' the writ was well brought, yet the Pl. would be without remedy, because there wants a disturber: And of the oth. part the other mischief is, that if the writ should not abate, but the Pl. proceed to Judgm. and Execution, the very Patron would be out of Possess. And forasmuch as in the one case, if the rightful patron should be out of Possess. he hath remedy by a writ of right to recontinue the Advowf. and in the oth. case if the writ should abate, the Pl. would be without remedy, which would be the greater mischief, and for this cause the writ shall stand, and shall not abate; and therewith agree 7H.4.26. b. 13H.8.13. 9H.6.57. And a *Quare Imped.* well brought by divers, as Coparceners, or Joint-tenants, &c. shall not abate by the (b) death of one of them; Nor a *Quare Imped.* brought by the Husband and Wife shall not abate by the Death of the Wife, because otherwise the Pl. (if the six Months be past) would be without remedy, as the Books are in F.N.B. 35. b. 38E.3. 43. 37. 9H.6.11. 7H.4.19. 14H.4.12. 9H.6.30. 57. 1H.5.13. 17E.3.11. 17E.3.304. But if the K. presents, and his Clerk is admitted and instituted, &c. there the *Quare Imped.* may be brought for Necessity against the Bishop or Incumbent, for it doth not lie against the King: So of the Pope, if he had usurp'd, 12H.8.12. 4H.7.15, &c. Vide 47E.3. (c) 11. a. b. The King brought a *Quare Imped.* against W. Dawtree of the Church of Retfield, and made his Title, forasmuch as Hamond Bp. of Rochester. had presented to the said Church by Usurpat. being void (the Advowf. of which of right did appertain to three Daughters and Heirs) his Clerk, who was admitted, instituted and inducted, and afterwards the Incumb. resign'd, and the Successor presented another, who was admitted, instituted, and inducted, and he died, by which it belonged to the K. to present, forasmuch as the Bp. had gained that Advowf. to him and his Successors without Licence, by which the Advowf. was become in Mortmain. The Def. pleaded, that he is parson of the Presentm. of W. Wyckesey, Predecessor of the Bp. that now is, Tho. by Name, so that the patronage is in Thomas; who we conceive ought to be named in the writ, by which we conceive that our Lord the King to this writ, in which the patron is not named, ought not to be answered, for

(a) 2 Leon. 58.  
Sav. 108, 109.  
Cr. El. 324.  
Cr. Car. 592.  
2 Siderf. 94.  
Goldsb. 46.

(b) Cr. Jac. 19.  
Dyer 279. pl. 8.  
Dall. 7. F. N. B.  
35. l. Cr. Car.  
529. 10 Co.  
134. b. Moor 9.  
Cr. El. 324.  
Co. Lit. 198. a.

(c) Sav. 109.  
47E. 3. 10. b 11.  
a. b. Fitz. Qu.  
Imped. 141.  
Br. Qu. Imp. 40.  
Br. Mortmain C.

we conceive, That a *Quare Impedit* doth not lie against the Incumbent alone, without naming the Patron, where it is expressly shewed that there is a Patron, who may plead in Bar of the Plaintiff or other Thing to oust the King of the Action, which lieth not in the Knowledge of the Incumbent to plead. And it was adjudged, That the King's Writ was good against the Incumbent alone, because he might give by the Statute what answer he would alone in Maintenance of his Possession of his Church; and the now Bishop who is Successor, is no Disturber, for the Defendant came in by the Predecessor, and therefore shall not be charged with Damages or Costs. And afterwards the Plaintiff *John Hall* perceiving, in the principal Case, the Resolution of the Court, discontinued his Suit, and lost his Presentation, *illa vice*.

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# Sir HUGH PORTMAN's Case.

Pasch. 40 Eliz.

(a) Co. Ent.  
481. pl. 4.  
2 Saik. 559.

(b) Br. Quare  
Imped. 136.  
Br. perempt. 74.  
Br. brief al E-  
vesque 21.  
Br. Nonsuit 62.  
2 Rol. 388.  
Hob. 138.  
Co. Lit. 139. a.  
Dall. 81, 82.

(c) Hob. 138.  
Br. brief al E-  
vesque 26.

(d) 2 Rol. 387,  
388.

(e) F. N. B. 38. m.

(f) 1 E. 6. c. 7.  
Stile 187.

IN a (a) *Quare Impedit* by Sir Hugh Portman against the Archbishop of Camerlb. and *Moungomery* Clerk, *ad Ecclesiam de Chedsey* in the County of *Somerſet*, and made his Title by Reason of a Grant of the next Avoidance *unica vice*, divers Points were resolved: 1. If the Pl. in a *Quare Impedit* be Nonsuit (b) after Appearance, it is peremptory and a good Bar in another *Quare Impedit*, although it be brought within the six Months; and the Reason thereof is, because the Defendant upon Title made (by which he is become Actor) shall have a Writ to the Bishop to admit, &c. his Clerk into the same Church, &c. which is a good Bar in another *Quare Impedit*, and therewith agree 19 E. 4. 9. a. 22 H. 6. 44. b. 45. a. 33 H. 6. 1. 55. 20 E. 4. 14. 21 E. 4. 2. b. &c. F. N. B. 38. k. The same Law if the Plaintiff in the *Quare Impedit* discontinues (c) his Suit, the Defendant upon Title made shall have a Writ to the Bishop, and by Consequence it is peremptory, and therewith agreeeth 31 H. 6. 15. a. But if the Writ of *Quare Impedit* within the six Months abates for false (d) *Latin*, or Insufficiency of Form, that is the Fault of the Clerk, and shall not be peremptory to the Plaintiff, nor shall the Defendant thereupon have a Writ to the Bishop, but the Plaintiff may have a new Writ of *Quare Impedit*; and therewith agree 3 H. 6. 3. a. 31 H. 6. 15. a. F. N. B. 38 H. Vide 34. Aff. pl. 9. the like. So if the Writ abate for Misnomer (e) of the Plaintiff or Defendant, if the Plaintiff confesseth it, the Defendant shall not have a Writ to the Bishop, for it may be the Fault of the Clerk in the Writing of it. And therewith agreeeth F. N. B. 38. M. Vide 31 H. 6. 15. a. But if the Pl. be made a Knight (f) hanging the Writ, the Writ shall abate, and the Defendant shall have a Writ to the Bishop, and by Consequence that is peremptory; for (as we see by common Experience in these Times) the same is the Pl.'s Act, and none is forced or compelled to it.

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## (a) BASKERVILLE'S Case.

(a) Co. Ent.  
489. pl. 7.  
Cro. El. 356.  
1 Leon. 280, 281.  
2 Leon. 50.

*Trin. 27 El. Rot. 320.*

IN a *Quare Impedit* in the Common Pleas, the Case was, That 1 *Mar.* Title to present by Lapse was devolv'd to the Queen to the Church of *Cusep* in the County of *Hereford*. Sir *Nicholas Arnold* the Patron presented one *Evans*, who was thereto admitted, instituted and inducted, and died, and if the Queen had lost her Title to present by Lapse, or not, was the Question; and it was adjudged, that the Queen had (b) lost it. For the Queen had but *unam & unicam presentationem hac vice*; which cannot be extended to the second Avoidance; for Negligence to present shall lose the Subject one Presentment only by Lapse, and not divers; and if the Queen has (c) *primam & proximam presentationem* granted to her, she cannot take the second. And otherwise great Inconvenience would ensue to the Patron; for the Queen might forbear to present, and suffer divers to present by Usurpation one after the other, and take her Turn when she would, and the Patron might be in a Manner thereby disinherited. And the Stat. of (d) *Prærogativa Regis, quod* (e) *Nullum tempus occurrit Regi*, is to be intended when the King hath an Estate or (f) Interest certain and permanent, and not when his Interest is specially limited, when and how he shall take it, and not otherwise; for there Time is the Substance of his Title, and in such Case *Tempus occurrit Regi*. And so was it at another Time adjudged, *Pasch. 28 El. Rot. 412.* in the Common Pleas, between *Beverley* (g) Plaintiff, and the Archbishop of *Canterbury* and *Gabriel Cornwall*, Defendants for the Church of *Somerby* in the County of *Lincoln*.

(b) Palm. 345.  
357. 1 Roll.  
Rep. 459.  
2 Rol. Rep. 422.  
2 Rol. 368.  
Noy. 25.  
Winch. 96.  
Hob. 152, 166.  
Cro. El. 149,  
120, 790. Cro.  
Jac. 44, 54,  
216, 691. Cro.  
Car. 356.  
Owen 5, 89, 90.  
Goldsb. 86, 78,  
83. pl. 4.  
Mo. 260, 900.  
Dy. 277. pl. 55.  
Stanf. Prærog. 33.  
a. b. Dr. & Stud.  
lib. 2. c. 36.  
Lit. Rep. 99,  
383.  
(d) 1 And. 149.  
Plowd. 243. a.  
See Stanf. Prærog. 32, 33.  
(e) 6 Co. 49. b.  
Hob. 347.

Lit. Rep. 99, 340. Co. Lit. 41. b. 90. b. 118. a. 294. b. Hard. 24, 25. 1 Jones 79. 2 Inst. 273, 360. Godb. 297, 305, 312, 317. Plowd. 243. a. 221. a. 1 Rol. Rep. 165. 2 Ra. Rep. 422. 1 Andeif. 149. Pal. 354, 357. Cr. El. 44. (f) Godb. 305. (g) Maor 224, 269, 270. Cro. El. 44. Cro. Jac. 216. Owen 2. 1 And. 148, 149. Goldsb. 44.

## MAUND'S Case.

Hill. 43 Eliz. Rot. 1108.

In the Common Pleas.

IN a Replevin between *Maund* and *Gregory*, the Defendant shewed, That a Rent-charge out of a House and certain Lands was granted by Deed to one and his Assigns, for his Life, *pro consilio impendendo*, payable yearly at four Feasts, and for Default of Payment, if it be demanded, that it should be lawful for the Grantee and his Assigns to distrain, the Grantee assigned the Rent to the Avowant, the Tenant attorned, the Assignee on the Land demanded the Rent after the Day, and for Default of Payment did distrain and avow, on which the Plaintiff did demur in Law. In this Case it was resolved, 1. That a Rent granted to one and his Assigns, *pro consilio impendendo*, may (a) be assigned over by the expresse Words of the Grantor, who granted it to him and his Assigns; for *modus (b) & conventio vincunt legem*. 2. That in this Case the Assignee need not demand the Rent at the (c) Day, as he ought in Case of (d) Re-entry, (for there the whole Interest or Estate shall be defeated) or when any Sum (e) *nomine pænæ* shall be forfeited, in both these Cases the Demand ought to be made precisely at the Day a convenient Time before Sun-set, in the one Case in Respect of the Condition, and in the other in Respect of the Penalty. But in the Case of Distress, he who hath the Rent may demand it at what Time he will, for no Loss or Penalty will thereon ensue, but only a Remedy to come at his Rent, which is Arrear, and which is due to him; and so was it adjudged in the Common Pleas, *Mich. 40 & 41 Eliz.* between *Stanley* and *Read*, where the Case was, That a Rent-charge was granted payable at a certain Day, and if it be behind and (f) demanded, that it should be lawful for the Grantee to distrain. The Avowant shewed, how that he made a Demand at the Day; the Plaintiff traversed that he did not make a Demand at the same Day (intending to make the Day Part of the Issue) upon which the Def. demurr'd in Law, and it was adjudged against the Plaintiff; for if the Demand were at any Time after the Day, and before the Distress, it is sufficient. 3. It was resolved, That if a Man who hath a (g) Rent-sock, payable yearly

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at the Feast of *Easter*, and hath once Seisin of the Rent, Co.Lit. 153. b. and the Feast of *Easter* passes, and no Tender or Demand made of the Rent, he may, although it be after the Day of Payment, come to the Land and there demand the Rent, and although the Tenant of the Land be not there, yet on such Demand, if none be ready to pay the Rent, it is a denial in Law, upon which he who hath the Rent shall have an Affise, for as much as no Penalty will ensue thereon, but only to have Remedy to recover his Rent and the Arrearages, with Costs and Damages, and therewith agree *Litt. fo. 51.* and the Book of *Entries, fo. 79. b. 29 Aff. p. 52.* But in the same Case, if the Tenant at the last Instant of the Feast of *Easter* be ready on the Land to pay the Rent, and he who hath the Rent, nor any for him comes to demand or receive it, there he who hath the Rent cannot come in the Absence of him who is Tenant of the Land, and demand it, and so make him a Disseisor, and render Damages and Costs, without any Default in him. But in such Case, he who hath the Rent, because the Default was in him, ought to make a Demand of it on the Land of the Person of the Tenant, and if he cannot find him on any Part of the Land out of which the Rent is issuing, then in such Case he ought to demand the Rent at the next Feast of *Easter*, with all the Arrearages, and altho' it be in the Absence of the Tenant, yet it will amount to a Denial in Law, and thereupon he who hath the Rent shall recover all the Arrearages, Damages and Costs.

Cro. Car. 508.

1 Rol. Rep. 60.

2 Rol. 427.

Hob. 207.

Co. Lit. 168.

233.

2 Rol. 427.

Hob. 207.

2 Rol. 427.

428.

2 Rol. 428.

*See the Case of Kidwelly and Brand in Plowden.*

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## Discontinuance of Proceſs, &c. by the Death of the Queen.

*Trin.* 1 Jacobi.

Moor 748.  
Cro. Jac. 14.  
See Farring-  
ton's Caſe,  
Cro. Car. 7.

THE Reſolution of the Juſtices after the Death of Q. Elizabeth, concerning Diſcontinuance of Proceſs, &c. There are two Manners of Re-ſummons and Re-attachments, the one general, the other ſpecial. The Effect of the general is, that the King doth direct a Writ (*exempli gratia*) to the King's Bench in this form; *Mandamus vobis, quod ad ſectam noſtram omniumque ligeorum populi noſtri, qui proſequi voluerint extra & ſuper omnia ſive aliqua recorda, placita, brevia, præcepta, proceſſus, billas, loquelas, appella, fines, & alia memoranda quæcunque in curia noſtra coram nobis exiſten', vel in poſterum coram nobis proventur', omnimoda brevia, reſummonit', reattachiamen' & omnium alior' proceſſ' pro nobis & dictis ligeis populi noſtri in hac parte habenda', ſecund' bonas intentiones & propoſita ſubſcript', mutar' mutandis prout caſus requirit, ſecund' diſcretionem veſtras adjudicetis.* Special Reſummons is in ſuch form; *Rex vic' Salut. Reſummoneas per bonos ſummonitores A. B. quod ſit coram nobis in craſtino, &c. ubicunq; tunc fuer' in Anglia, audit' record' & judic' ſuum de loquela quæ fuit in Cur' Dom' H. nuper Regis, &c. ita quod loquela illa tunc ſit in eod' ſtatu quo fuit in priſtina curia præd' nuper Regis in Octabis, &c. ultim' præterit', de quo die loquela præd' adjornat' fuit uſq; &c. tunc proxim' ſequent', ante quem diem loquela præd' remanſit ſine die, eo qd' præd' nuper Rex diem ſuum clauſit extremum.* And note, on the general Reſummons the Original and the Iſſue (if any be joined) is revived, for it is a full Record, and ought to be entire entred, but the Proceſs before the Iſſue joined, nor the voucher, nor the Garniſhment, &c. ſhall not be revived without a ſpecial Writ reciting all the ſpecial Proceeding,

5 H. 7. 40. a. 9 H. 6. 41. a. 13 E. 4. 1. a. b. 1 E. 5. 2. a.

And it appears by the Book of *Entr. tit. Reattachm.* 499. that if iſſue be join'd, and the Jury return'd, and day given for trial, before which day the King dies, yet by ſpecial Reſummons all ſhall be revived, for the Jury was return'd of Record, and the record thereof was made full and perfect; and therewith agrees 1 *Ma.* (a) 118 *Dyer. Vide* 21 *E.* 3. 44. con- (a) *Dyer* 118. trary in the caſe of aid prayer, for there the Jury is not re- pl. 78. vived as it is there held: but a *Venire facias de novo* ſhall be awarded. And it is to be known, that the (b) Def. ſhall never (b) *Co. Lit.* have a reſummons or reattachm. becauſe he had not nor can 130. b. have ſummons or attachment; and therefore at the Com. Law, if a verdict had paſſ'd for the Def. and before the day in bank the King died, in that caſe the plea is diſcontinued, and the Def. might by *Certiorari* remove the record, and altho' the parties ſhall never plead any plea, yet the Def. ought to ſue forth a *ſci' fac'*, and thereupon have Judgm. but without a *ſci' fa.* he ſhall not have Judgm. becauſe the parties have no day in court, and the *ſci' fac'* ſhall revive the record, and give day to the parties, againſt the opinion of *Litt.* 10. *E.* 4. 13. b. altho' he ſaith that it was ſo adjudged, that the Defend. in ſuch caſe ſhould preſently have Judgm. But at the Com. Law by the demife of the K. the plea was diſcontinued, and the proceſs which was awarded and not returned before the King's death, was loſt: For by the writ of the predeceſſ. nothing can be executed in the time of the new K. unleſs it be in ſpecial caſes: For by the demife of the K. not only the (c) Juſtices (c) *Moor* 176. of the one bench, and the other, and the Barons of the Ex- 2 *Keb.* 375. cheq. but the Sheriffs alſo, and Eſcheators, and all Commiſſions B. N. C. 203. of *Oy.* and *Term.* Gaol-delivery, and Juſtices of Peace are de- 1 *And.* 44. 105. termined by the death of the Predeceſſ. who made 'em. And *Dyer* 165. pl. 2. for the remedy thereof was the Stat. of 1 *Ed.* 6. (d) c. 7. made, 1 *El.* *Dyer* 165. which provides, that by the demife of the K. any action, ſuit, 1 *E.* 4. 3. bill, or plaint, that ſhall depend between party and party, in 1 *E.* 5. 1. any of the K.'s Courts, and other Courts of record, ſhall not 4 *Ed.* 4. 44. any wiſe be diſcontinued, or put without day, but that the 1 *H.* 7. 2. proceſs, pleas, demurrers, and continuances ſhall ſtand good and (d) 1 *And.* 44. 45. effectual, and be proſecuted and ſued forth in ſuch manner and 1 *Cro. Jac.* 14. form, and in the ſame eſtate, condition, and order, as if the ſame 1 *Cro. Car.* 10. K. had liv'd. So that now, if any judicial writ or proceſs in any 1 *Rol. Rep.* 165. court of record were awarded in the time of the Predeceſſor, it 1 *Co. Lit.* 325. a. may now be executed in the time of the Succeſſ. 1 *El.* *Dy.* 165. 1 *Yelv.* 52. accord. But yet that aſt hath not provided remedy for all the 1 *Hutt.* 82. miſchiefs. For 1. If the original be not (e) returned before the (e) *Dy.* 65. pl. 1. K.'s death, it is loſt; for the words are depending in any court: 1 *And.* 44. 45. But in an appeal of death, if the writ be delivered to the 1 *Latch* 110. Sher. within the year, and before the return thereof; or that 5 *Co.* 47. b. the Sheriff hath done any thing, the K. dies, and the year ex- 2 *Sid.* 94. pires before the Day of the return, in that Caſe the Com- 1 *Cro. El.* 677. mon Law gives remedy to the Plaintiff, ſcil. a *Certiorari* to 1 *Cro. Jac.* 11. the Sheriff, returnable in the King's Bench; and thereupon

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the Plaintiff shall have a Re-attachm. altho' it comes not in by the return of the Sheriff, but by *Certior'*; and the reason is, for the necessity of the matter, for otherwise the Pl. who lawfully brought his Writ within the Year, without any fault in him, would lose his appeal, the year being now past. And therefore so far as by the act of law the writ is discontinued, the law will give a means to revive it, to the end the party shall not be without remedy. So if a Man brings a *Formedon* against a Pernor of the profits within the year after the title accrued, if before the return of the Writ, &c. the K. dies, the Writ shall be remov'd into the Com. Pleas by *Certior'*, and thereupon he shall have resummons for the mischief, as it is held in 10 E. 4. 13. b. & 14. a. 2. By the demise of the K. all Offices of (a) Sheriffs are determin'd; and therefore till new Patents of their offices nothing can be done. But in (b) *Lond.* and other places, where there are Sheriffs of inheritance by Charter, there they may execute any process, or judicial writ awarded in the time of the Predecessor. 3. In the county court, and the like Courts which are not Courts of (c) Record, it remains as it was at the Com. Law; for the words of the act are *in any of the K.'s Courts, or other Courts of record.* Also the Stat. extends only to Actions, Suits, &c. between Party and Party; and therefore it shall not extend to cases where the (d) K. is party; and therewith agrees *Stamf.* 98. b. And therefore it is necessary to know what the Com. Law is in such cases. If (c) an Information of Intrusion, or other Information, be preferred, either meerly for the K. or *tam pro Dom' Rege quam pro seipso*, and the Defendant pleads to issue, or a demurrer be joyned, and afterwards the King dies, all is abated and lost, but only the Information, and that shall stand: for the Entry in the Excheq. is (shewing the continuance and death of the K. H. 8.) *per qu'd loquela remansit sine die, & Dom' Edw. ipsum nuper regem in regimine huius regni successit, ac regimen ejusd' regni super se assumpsit, super quo concordat' qd' pr'ed' Defend' attachietur de novo ad respond' dicto Dom' Regi nunc*, and thereupon an Attachm. is awarded, on the return of which the Def. shall appear and plead *de novo*; for altho' it is true, that the K. *in genere* doth not die (for there is no *\*interregnum*) yet *in hoc individuo*, H. the K. and Ed. the K. &c. dies. And that appears by record, *Hill. an' 6 Ed. 6. Rot. 50.* an Inform. of Intrusion was preferred against *J. Schrymsal Esq;* for intruding into the Manor of *Offeley*, in the County of *Stafford.* The like Record *Mich' anno 6 Ed. 5. Rot. 15.* an Information preferred by the King's Attorney, for the King only, against *Michael Harecourt* on the Statute of Maintenance, *Hill. 5 Ed. 6. Rot. 23.* In the Exchequer in an Information on the Stat. 32 H. 8. for buying of Titles, *tam pro Domino Rege quam pro seipso*, and after Issue joyned the King died, the Defendant appeared on

(a) Dy. 165 pl. 2.  
1 And 44.  
(b) Co. 72. b.

(c) 6 Co. 11. b  
Co. Lit. 260.

(d) Cro. Car. 10

(e) Moor 748.  
Cro. Jac. 1.  
Cro. Car. 10. 1.  
Doct. pl. 3.  
Hutt 82.  
Cawly 80.

\* 7 Co. 12. 2.  
Calvin's Case.  
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to this Rule.

the Attachment, and pleaded *de novo*. *Simile per idem Record' Rot. 24. Simile per idem Record' Rot. 54. Simile Mic. 1 & 2. Phil. & Mar. in the Excheq. Rot. 131.* in an Information of Intrusion against *Rich. Alford*, who appeared and pleaded a special Plea; on which there was a demurrer in Law, and the demurrer entred; and afterwards *Q. Mary* died, and upon that a *Subpœna* issued to appear *de novo*, returnable *Hill 1 El.* which is *in ligula brevium ibidem*; and thereupon the Def. pleaded another special Plea, on which Issue was taken. And note, to such effect as the Precedents are in the Exchequer, so they are also in the King's Bench as to all manner of Informations. The like *Pasf. 5 Ed. 6 Rot. 38.* where in a popular Action the King died after demurrer on the Evidence, and before Judgment, and the Defendant pleaded *de novo*. Upon which Records the Law appears to be, that in all the said Cases the K. being merely Party, or when the Information is *tam pro Dom' Rege quam pro seipso*, when the K. dies before Judgment, all the Proceeding on the Information is utterly abated and lost, *quia Rex Henric. &c. fuit pars qui mortuus est.* But the Information or Indictment which is recorded for the King shall stand, and the said Def. shall be driven to answer it *de novo*, and nothing shall stand but the Inform. for that is a Record, and cannot abate. And the Law hath great reason in it; for on many penal Statutes the Suit is to be commenced within a certain Time, and therefore if the Inform. or Indictment should not continue in force after the K.'s Death, by the K.'s Death, which is the act of God, the Offence would be unpunished. But if the K. brings an original Writ, as *Quar' Imp', &c.* there by the K.'s Death the Writ shall abate, because the K. for whom Judgm. should be given, is dead, and after the Death of the K. who is Party, no Process can be awarded on the Original, as it may be on an Inform. or Indict. *Vid. Mic. 3 & 4 El. 206. vid. 4 Ed. 4. 43. & 44 Br. Offices 25.* If one be indicted in the Time of one K. and pleads to Issue, and afterwards the K. dies, he shall plead *de novo*, as you may see in the Case of *Edw. Smith*, who pleaded to Issue on an Indictment of Felony in *Midd. in 3 & 4 Phil. & Mar.* in the King's Bench, and after the Death of *Q. Mary* repleaded in *3 & 4 El.* and was acquitted. So *Clement Palmer* being arraigned in the King's Bench on a Nonsuit in an Appeal, at the Suit of the Queen, *Trin. 4 & 5 Phil. & Mary*, and pleaded to Issue, Queen *Mary* died, and *Mich. 1 & 2 El.* he repleaded. *Vide Pasch. 1 Ed. 5.* Traverse of an Office in Chancery, and the Record sent into the K.'s Bench, and afterwards the King died: And by the said Stat. of *1 Ed. 6.* it is enacted, *That in all Cases, where any Person or Persons heretofore have been, or hereafter shall be found guilty of any manner of Treason, Murder, Man-*

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*slaughter, Rape, or other Felony whatsoever, for the which Judgment of Death shall, or may ensue, and shall be reprieved to Prison without Judgment, &c. That the Justices of Gaol-delivery shall have full Power and Authority to give Judgment of Death against such Person so found guilty, and reprieved, &c.* Before that Act at the Common Law, if a Man had been indicted and convicted by Verdict or Confession before any Commissioners, and before Judgment the King died, in that Case no Judgment could have been given; for the King, for whom the Judgment should be given, was dead; and the Authority of the Judges who should give Judgment was determined: And this Act doth remedy those special Cases. But all the King's Suits by original, Bill, Information, or Indictment, for any other Offence, do remain as at the Common Law.

*But Note, by the Stat. 6 Annæ c. 7. The Judges Commissions do not now determine by the King's Death.*

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## *The Case of a Fine levied by the King Tenant in Tail, &c.*

*Mich. 2 Jacobi.*

THE King was inform'd, That divers Manors and Lands were intailed to *Gilbert de Clare* Earl of *Gloucester*, and the King who now is, is Heir of the Body of the said *Gilbert* inheritable to the said Land; some of which Manors, the King and others his Progenitors, for good Consideration, had granted to divers Subjects; all which Grants (as was pretended) were in respect of the said ancient Estate-Tail utterly void. The King that now is, of Grace and good Will to his Subjects, and for their quiet and repose, required *Popham* Chief Justice, and *Coke* Attorney General, to consider how by Law he might establish the Estate of the said Patentees and others claiming under them, against the said Estate-Tail. Whereupon, they severally in the Vacation-Time did consider on that Point; and afterwards on Conference they agreed in one, That the King being Tenant in Tail, by a Gift made to some of his Ancestors being Subjects (as the Question is moved) might by Fine levied on a Grant and Render bar the Estate-Tail, and that for divers Reasons. 1. For as much as the King is bound (a) (a) Ant. 21. a. 1 Co. 44. b. 48. a. 5 Co. 14. b. 11 Co. 72. a. 1 Rol. Rep. 153. Plowd. 243. b. 244. a. b. 248. b. 251. b. 252. a. (b) 4 H. 7. cap. 24. (c) 32 H. 8. cap. 36. \* 11 Co. 68. b. 1 Rol. Rep. 151. (d) 11 Co. 68. b. 1 Rol. Rep. 171. (e) 1 Rol. Rep. 157. by the Stat. *de donis conditionalibus*, as it is adjudged in Lord *Barkley's* Case, *Plow. Com.* 240. By which Act the King is restrained from Alienation; for it is enacted by the said Act, *quod finis ipso jure sit nullus*; Reason requires, that the King shall take Benefit of the Acts of 4 (b) *H.* 7. & 32 (c) *H.* 8. which enables Tenant in Tail to bar his Issues: For it is agreed in all our Books, that the King shall take Benefit of any Act, altho' he be not named, 12 (d) *H.* 7. 21. a. 35 (e) *H.* 6. 60. the Lord *Barkley's* Case, *Plow. Com.* 240. And it would be hard, that the King being Issue in Tail of a Gift made to a Subject, should be in worse Condition than if he had not been King. 2. There is a great Difference when the K. claims in respect of his natural Capacity, as Heir of the Body, *per formam doni*, as Heir of the Body of a Subject; for there he shall be bound by an Act of Parliament (and that was the principal Reason of the Judgment in the Lord *Barkley's* Case, where the Gift

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was to King *H. 7.* and to the Heirs of his Body) and when the King claims a Thing in respect of his Royal and Politick Capacity, there a general Act shall not bind him, unless he be expressly named, unless it be in special Cases.

3. In the Case at Bar, the Bar which the Stat. *de donis conditionalibus* doth work, is against the Issues in Tail; for the Tenant in Tail himself, without any help of the Act might bar himself (and so might the King also by special Grant.) Then the Issues in Tail at the Time of the Fine levied by the King are but Subjects, who are bound by the said Acts, and the Estate-Tail barred by the Fine and Proclamations. And note, That the Act of 32 *H. 8.* doth recite, that (*for avoiding of all Strifes and Controversies*) which general word (*all*) includes also the Case of the King. And it was observed that the Stat. *de Donis, &c.* which

(a) Plow. 248. b. binds the K. saith, *quod Dominus Rex (a) perpenden' qd' necessarium est in casibus prædictis ponere remedium, statuit, quod voluntas donatoris, &c.* And the Stat. of \* 4 *H. 7.* which gives Power to dock the Estate-Tail, saith, *The K. considereth that Fines ought to be of greatest Strength to avoid Strifes and Debates, and to be a final End and Conclusion: It is enacted that after the Fine engrossed and proclaimed, &c. the same Fine shall conclude Privies, &c.* Within which Words the King's Issues are included. Also

(b) 10 Co. 50. a. the Stat. of 32 (b) *H. 8.* Enacts, *That all Fines levied of any Lands intailed to the Person so levying the same Fine, or to any of his Ancestors, &c.* And Gilbert de Clare was in Propriety of Speech the King's Ancestor, and so within the express Letter of the Act. But it seemed to them, that after the Render made it was necessary to have Letters Patents, to grant to the Conusee by express Words, that he may enter into the Land; for otherwise the Fine being Executory on a Grant and Render, it may be doubted if the Conusee, without any such grant can enter on the King. And afterwards, *Mich. 5 Jacobi*, after the Death of *Popham*, this Opinion on Consideration and Conference had with *Fleming* and *Coke*, Chief Justices, and *Tanfield*, Chief Baron, was affirmed for good Law for the Reasons and Causes before given. And divers Fines have been levied by the King according to that Resolution.

## \* NEVIL'S Case.

*Mich. 2 Jacobi.*

IN this Term, this Case by the Command of the K. was propounded to all the Judges. *Anno 21 R. 2. Ralph Nevil*, Lord of *Raby*, was by Letters Patents under the Great Seal created Earl of *Westmorland*, to him, and the Heirs Males of his Body; which *Ralph*, by *Margaret Stafford* his first Wife had Issue, *Ralph* Earl of *Westmorland*, to whom *Charles* late Earl of *Westmorland* was lineal Heir Male of the Body of the said *Ralph* the first Donee; and the said *Ralph* the first Donee, by *Joan*, Daughter of *John of Gaunt*, Duke of *Lancaster*, had Issue, *George* Lord *Latimer* (for all his elder Brothers were dead without Issue Male) from whom is lineally descended *Edward Nevil*, who now is the nearest Issue Male to the said Donee; and afterwards *Charles* Earl of *Westmorland* was attainted by Outlawry and by Parliament of High Treason, and died without Issue Male; and now the said *Edward Nevil* claimed to be Earl of *Westmorland*. And in this Case three Questions were moved to all the Judges of *England*. 1. If the said Limitation of the said Dignity to the said *Ralph* and the Heirs Males of his Body be within the Stat. *de donis conditionalibus*, or a Fee-simple conditional at the Com. Law. 2. Admitting that it was an Estate-tail within the said Statute, if by the Attainder of Treason the Estate-tail was forfeited by a Condition in Law *tacite* annexed to the State of the Dignity. 3. If the Estate of the Dignity was forfeited by the Act of 26 H. 8. cap. 13. Or that the said *Edward Nevil* as Heir Male of the Body of the first Donee ought to be Earl of *Westmorland*. And these Points were argued and debated at Serjeants Inn in *Fleetstreet* by the King's Attorney, and by the Counsel of the said *Edward Nevil*. And as to the first it was objected, That the said Dignity was not within the Statute *de donis*, &c. for divers Causes. 1. Because it was a great Dignity derived from the King, as the Fountain of all Dignity,

\* See Show. Cases in Parliament 1. said, That a Dignity is not subject to a Condition at Com. Law, nor intailable by the Stat. *de donis*, nor barable by the Stat. of Fines, notwithstanding what is said in *Nevil's Case*, & ib. 3. That few Cases in that case are cited aright &c. See also 1 Jun. 123 & 207. ad idem. & 4 Inst. cap. of Ireland. That Honours can't be extinguish'd but by Act of Parliament. Q. Skinner 518.

Westm. cap. 1.

Dignity, and therefore it is not within the said Act, which speaks only *de tenement' quæ multotiens dantur sub conditione, viz. cum aliquis terr' suam dat alicui viro, &c.* So this Dignity can't be included within this Word *Tenementis* or *Land.* 2. The Stat. saith, *in omnibus prædict' casibus post prolem suscitatur. hujusm' feoffati habuer. potest. alienandi, &c.* But this Dignity was adherent to the Blood of the Donee, and could not be aliened or granted, neither after nor before Issue; and therefore such Cases of Dignities were out of the Mischiefe, the Words and the Intent of the Makers of the Act *de donis, &c.* And the Opinion in *Manxel's Case* in *Pl. Com.* the Grant of a Thing which doth not concern Land

- (a) Co. Lit. 20. a. or Tenements, nor (a) exercisable in Lands or Tenements, as an (b) Annuity which is personal, is not within the Stat. *de donis, &c.* And it was said this Dignity was personal, and annexed to the Blood of the Donee, and by consequence could not be intailed within the said Act. But it was resolved by all the Judges of *England*, That a Name of (c) Dignity might be intailed within the said Act: For in the case at bar it doth concern land, for he was made by the said letters patents Earl of *Westmorl.* who by the com. law is a great conservator of the peace, and sheriffs are called *Vicecom'* because in ancient times they were as deputies to Earls, tho' now it is changed. And therefore such office of dignity of any place doth concern land, and therefore may be intailed within the said Stat. as it is said in *Pl. Com.* in *Manxel's case.* The office of steward, (d) receiver, or bailiff of such a manor may be intailed within the said Stat. because it is exercisable within lands, 5 E. 4. The office of (e) Marsh. of *Engl.* was intailed, 1 H. 7. 28. b. An estate-tail may be of a forestership, (f) 18 E. 3. 27. The office of Serjeancy or custody of the (g) church of *Nichol'* was intailed. 32 H. 6. 28. The Earld. of *Shrewsb.* was intailed to *J. Talbot* Kt. and the heirs males of his body. And I have seen a Parliam. Writ in ann. 27 H. 6. by which *Bromstet* was summoned to Parliam. by the name of *Ld. (b) Vesey*, with Limitat. in the writ to him and the heirs males of his body. And it is to be known, that as in ancient time the senators of *Rome* were elected *a censu* of their revenues, so here in ancient times in conferring of nobility, respect was had to their revenues, by which their dignity and nobility might be supported and maintained. And therefore a Kt. ought to have (i) 20 l. land *per ann.* a Baron 13 Kts. fees and a quarter, an Earl 20 Knights fees (for there was not any Duke in *Engl.* from the time of the conquest until 11 E. 3. and the D. of *Cornw.* was the first D. after the conquest in *Engl.*) And that appears by the Stat. of *Mag. Charta*, c. 2. For always the 4th part of such revenue, which is requisite by the law to the dignity shall be paid to the K. for (k) a relief; as the relief of a Kt. is 5 l. which is the 4th part of 20 l. which is a Kt.'s revenue; and the relief of a Baron is 100 Marks, which is the 4th part of his revenue, viz. 400 Marks, and includes thirteen Knights.
- (b) Co. Lit. 19. a. 20. a. 1 Rol. 837.
- (c) 1 Rol. 837, 838. 12 Co. 81. Co. Lit. 20. a.
- (d) 1 Rol. 838.
- (e) Co. Lit. 20. a. 5 E. 4. 3. a.
- (f) Co. Lit. 20. a.
- (g) Rol. 838. Co. Lit. 20. a.
- (h) Co. Lit. 20. a.
- (i) 9 Co. 124. b. Co. Lit. 69. a. F. N. B. 82. c.
- (k) 9 Co. 124. b. 2 Rol. 515, 516. Co. Lit. 69. b. 83. b.

Knights fees and a quarter; and the relief of an Earl is 100*l.* which is the 4th part of 400*l.* which is the revenue of an Earl. And it appears by the records of the Exchequer, that the relief of a Duke shall amount to (a) 200*l.* and by consequence his revenue ought to be 800*l. per ann.* and that is the reason in our books, that every one of the Nobility is presumed in law to have (b) sufficient freehold *ad sustinend' nomen & onus.* Vide 3 H. 6. 48. 11 H. 4. 15. 14 H. 6. 2. See the countess of Rutl. case in the 6th part of my Rep. Vide Cambd. f. 107. *Nec dum hæreditaria fuit hæc dignitas (sc. Comitis) verum cum Gulielm' Normanus, jam victor, summam rerum in hoc regno administraret, comites creati sunt feudales, hæreditarii & patrimoniales, ut in antiquis cartis videre est, de tertio denario comitat', i. qui de placitis proven' in eod' comitatu.* And every Baron and other of Nobility is always created of some place; and now to what Value the said old rents in the time of H. 3. & E. 1. at this day do amount to, every one knows. And so it was clearly resolved, that the dignity in the case in Question was within the Stat. *de donis conditional'*; and with this Resolution agree divers precedents, and the experience and practice always used; for the Earldom of Northumb. was intailed by Q. Mary to T. Percy, and the heirs males of his body; and for default of such issue that H. his brother should be Earl, to him and the heirs males of his body: And in that case by the attainder of T. of treason, H. was after his death Earl of Northumberland by force of his Rem'r, and his issue enjoy it at this day. So A. Dudley was by Q. El. created Earl of Warwick to him and the heirs males of his body, and for default of such issue, that R. his brother should be Earl, to him and the heirs males of his body: And R. was created Earl of L. in tail, with such Limitat. to his brother A. and many other precedents are to the same effect. As to the 2d point it was resolved, that altho' this dignity be within the Stat. *de donis conditional'*, yet by the attainder of (c) treason if the Stat. of 26 H. 8. had not been made, this dignity had been forfeited by force of a Condition in law *tacite* annexed to the estate of the dignity: For those who are Earls have an office of great trust and confidence, and are created to 2 purposes; (d) 1. *Ad consulend' regi temp' pacis.* 2. *Ad defendend' regem & patr' temp' belli:* And therefore Antiquity hath given them 2 ensigns to resemble these 2 duties; for 1st, their head is adorned with a cap of honour and coronet, and their body with a robe in resemblance of counsel. 2. They are girt with a sword, in resemblance that they should be faithful and loyal to defend their Prince and Country. And of both these Bracton speaks, lib. 1. c. 8. (e) *Comites, viz. sive a comitat' sive a societat' nomen sumpt' fer', qui etiam dici possunt consules a consulendo; reges enim tales sibi associant, ad consulendum & regend' populum Dei, ordinantes eos in magno honore & potestate, & nomine, quando*

(a) 9 Co. 124. b.

(b) 1 Co. 52. b.

Stile 222.

Hob. 61.

Moor 767.

(c) 3 Inst. 19.

1 Jones 76.

Lane 46.

Godb. 325.

Sawy. Argu-

ment in Quo

Warranto 34.

(d) 12 Co. 95.

(e) 9 Co. 49. a.

*quando accingunt gladiis, i. ringis gladior*. By which appear these two ends, counsel and defence. Then when such person against the duty and end of his dignity, takes not only counsel, but arms also against the King to destroy him, and thereof is attainted by due course of law, by that he hath forfeited his dignity by a Condition *tacite* annexed to the estate of the dignity; in the same manner, as if Tenant in tail of an (a) office of trust misuse it, or use it not, these are forfeitures of such offices for ever by force of a Condition in law *tacite* annexed to their estates, as it is held in 11 E.4. 1. 20 E.4. 5, 6, 39 H. 6. 32. 22 Aff. 34. 8 H. 4. 18. 2 H. 7. 11. 14 H. 7. 1. Pl. Com. 370. Nevil's Case. As to the 3d point it was resolved by all the Justices, if that it had not been forfeited by the com. law, that by the Stat. of 26 H. 8. c. 13. the said Charles had forfeited the dignity. For the words of the Act are, *shall lose and forfeit to the King's Highness, his heirs and successors, all such lands, tenements and hereditaments, which any such offender shall have of any estate of Inheritance in use or possession, by any right, title or means*: And this dignity was an hereditament, and therein the said Charles had an estate of Inherit. And where the Stat. saith (*in use or possession*) that was to express, that all manner of inheritances should be forfeited for treason, and in their judgments all inheritances were either in use or in possession, (for that Act doth not extend to rights or titles) and it was necessary to add this word *Use*, for by the common law an use, which was but a trust and confidence, was not forfeited by attainder of treason. And when an use was expressed, then the addition of possession was necessary, for otherwise nothing but uses would be given to the K. And therefore it was resolved, that an annuity of inheritance shall be forfeited by force of this Act by Attaind. of treason, for that is an hereditament; and that was the 1st general Act by which an estate-tail was forfeited to the K. for treason. At the com. law before the Stat. *de donis conditionabilib.* if lands had been given to one and the heirs males of his body, in that case as well the donor as the donee had a possibility, the donor of a reverter, if the donee died without issue male, and the donee to have power to alien, if he had issue male. For if the donee had issue a son, now to some intent the Condit. was perform'd, for *post prolem suscitatum*, he had *potestatem alienandi*; and the reason thereof was, because he having a fee-simple, and having issue, his issue could not avoid the alienation, because he claimed fee-simple, whereof his Father might bar him. And altho' the donee and his issue also after such alienation died without issue, yet the donor, who had but a possibility or condition in law, and no reversion or estate in him, could not recover the land against the Alienec; for by the having of Issue the Condition was performed as to this Intent, *scil.* to make an Alienation. But in the same Case at the Common Law, if the Donee had Issue

(a) 2 Rol. 155.

2 Rol. Rep. 341.

Lane 46.

Godb. 303.

4 Inst. 356.

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issue a son and died, yet the son had not an absolute fee-simple in him, but only the same power which his father had, *sc.* to alien; and if such issue died without issue, and without any Alienat. made, the land shall revert to the donor, as *Brian* held, 12 *E. 4. 3.* & 18 *E. 3. 46.* by *Husey*. For a collater. heir who is not of the body of the donee is not within the form of the gift, the Limitat. being to the heirs males of the body of the donee, which Limitat. of heirs males of the body, doth exclude all collateral heirs to inherit: But the policy of the law was, to give power after issue to alien for two causes; one that the estate of a Purchaser should not be avoided by a remote possibility, *sc.* if the donee and his issue also should die without issue: 2. If he having a fee-simple should not have power after issue to alien, it would be in a manner a perpetuity, and a restraint of Alienat. for ever, which the com. law for many causes will not suffer, and in 4 *H. 3. Formedon 64.* it is adjudged, that where lands were given in frank-marriage, and the donees had issue and died, and afterwards the issue died without issue; that his collateral heir should not inherit; for the donor recovered the land in a *Formed.* in the *Reverter*; and in the said case if the donee had issue 2 sons, and died, and the elder son had issue a Daught. and died without issue male, the young. son should inherit a fee-simple, *per form' doni* at the com. law: So if lands were given to one, and to his heirs females of his body, and he had issue a son and a daughter, and died, the daughter should inherit an estate in fee-simple *per form' doni*. And mark well the Stat. *de donis*, &c. doth not create an estate-tail, but of such estate as was fee-simple conditional, and descendable in such form at the com. law, as now by the Stat. the land shall descend; and the only mischief was, that the donee after issue had power to alien in disinherison of his issues, and bar of the Reversion: But it doth appear by the said Act, that altho' the donee had issue, yet he had not an absolute fee, so that the collateral heir of the issue should inherit; for the words of the Act are, *Et præterea cum deficiente exitu de hujusm' seoffatis, tenement' sic datum ad donator' vel ad ejus hered' reverti debuit per form' in carta de dono hujusm' expressam, licet exitus, si quis fuerit, obisset, per factum tamen & seoffamentum, &c. exclusi fuerunt hucusq; de reversione, &c.* by which it appears, that if the heir in tail dies without issue, and without any Alienat. made, that the land shall revert, and by consequence shall not descend to the collater. heir, 30 *E. 1. Formed. 65.* If the donee in tail had aliened before the Stat. and afterwards had issue, and then the issue died without issue, the land should revert: For he had not power to alien at the time of the Alienat. but such Alienat. should bar the issue, as it is adjudged in 19 *E. 2. Formed. 61.* because he claimed fee-simple. *N. B.* These Rules yet hold place in case of a grant of an annuity to one and the heirs males of his body, and all other Inherit. which are not within the Stat. *de donis conditional'.*

Co. Lit. 19. a.

1 Rol. 841.

Co. Lit. 19. a.

Co. Lit. 19. a.  
20. a. 1 Rol. 837.

Penal

## Penal Statutes.

Hill. 2 Jacobi.

Dav. 69. b.  
Hard. 448.  
1 Siderf. 6.  
3 Inst. 186, 187.  
1 Show. 398.  
1 Salk. 134.  
3 Mod. 144.  
6 Mod. 86.

THIS Term upon Letters directed to the Judges to have their Resolution concerning the Validity of a Grant made by Queen *Elizabeth*, under the Great Seal, of the Penalty and Benefit of a penal Statute, with Power to dispence with the said Statute, and to make a Warrant to the Lord Chancellor, or Keeper of the Great Seal, to make as many Dispensations, and to whom he pleased; and on great Consideration and Deliberation by all the Judges of *England*, it was resolved, that the said Grant was utterly against Law. And in this Case these Points were resolved, That when a Statute is made by Parliament for the Good of the Commonwealth, the King cannot give the Penalty, Benefit and Dispensation of such Act to any Subject; or give Power to any Subject to dispense with it, and to make a Warrant to the Great Seal for Licences in such Case to be made: For when a Statute is made *pro bono publico*, and the King (as the Head of the Commonwealth, and the Fountain of Justice and Mercy) is by the whole Realm trusted with it, this Confidence and Trust is so inseparably joined and annexed to the Royal Person of the King in so high a Point of Sovereignty, that he cannot transfer it to the Disposition or Power of any private Person, or to any private Use; for it was committed to the King by all his Subjects for the Good of the Commonwealth. And if he may grant the Penalty of one Act, he may grant the Penalty of two, and so *in infinitum*. And such Grant of any penal Law was never seen in our Books, nor before this Age was any such Grant ever made; but it is true, that the K. may (upon some Cause moving him in Respect of Time, Place, or Person, &c.) make a *Non obstante*

to dispense with any particular Person, that he shall not incur the Penalty of the Stat. and therewith agree our Books. But the King cannot commit the Sword of his Justice, or the Oil of his Mercy concerning any penal Statute to any Subject, as is *aforsaid*. It was also resolved, That the Penalty of an Act of Parliament cannot be levied by any Grant of the King, but only according to the purport and purview of the Act; for the Act which gives the Penalty ought to be followed only in the prosecution and levying thereof; and great Inconveniencies would thereon follow, if penal Laws should be transferred to Subjects, 1. Justice thereby would be scandalized; for when such Forfeitures are granted, or promised to be granted before they are recovered, it is the cause of a more violent and undue Proceeding. 2. When it is publickly known that the Forfeiture and Penalty of the Act is granted, it is a great cause that the Act it self is not executed; for the Judge and Jurors, and every other is thereby discouraged. 3. It will thereupon follow, That no Penalty will by any Act of Parliament be given to the King, but limited to such Uses with which the King cannot dispense. And hereupon divers who had sued to have the Benefit of certain penal Laws, were upon this Resolution denied. And the Certificate of all the Judges of *England* concerning such Grants of penal Laws, and Statutes, was in these Words. *May it please your Lordships, we have (as we are required by your honourable Letters of the 21st of Octob. last) conferred and considered amongst ourselves (calling to us his Majesty's Counsel learned) of such Matters as were thereby referred unto us, and have thereupon with one Consent resolved for Law and Conveniency as followeth. 1st, That the Prosecution and Execution of any penal Statute cannot be granted to any, for that the Act being made by the Policy and Wisdom of the Parliament for the general Good of the whole Realm, and of Trust committed to the King as to the Head of Justice and of the weal Publick, the same cannot by Law be transferred over to any Subject; neither can any penal Stat. be prosecuted or executed by his Majesty's Grant, in other manner or order of Proceeding, than by the Act it self is provided and prescribed: Neither do we find any such Grants to any in former Ages: And of late Years, upon doubt conceived, that penal Laws might be sought to be granted over, some Parliaments have forbore to give Forfeitures to the Crown, and have disposed thereof to the Relief of the Poor, and other charitable Uses, which cannot be granted or employed otherwise. We are also of Opinion, That it is inconvenient, that the Forfeitures upon penal Laws, or others of like Nature, should be granted to any, before the same be recovered or vested in his Majesty by due and lawful Proceeding; for that in our Experience*

3 Inst. 154.

Cro. Arg. 109.

6 Mod. 86.

Skinner 173.

2 Inst. 48.

2 Inst. 229.

Cr. Arg. 109.

*perience it maketh the more violent and undue Proceeding against the Subject, to the Scandal of Justice, and the Offence of many. But if by the Industry or Diligence of any, there accrueth any Benefit to his Majesty, after the Recovery, such have been rewarded out of the same at the King's good Pleasure, &c. Dated 8 Novemb. 1604. And to this Letter all the Judges of England set their Hands.*

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LILLING-

# LILLINGSTON'S Case.

*Mich 5 Jacobi. in C. B.*

**J**ohn Duncomb brought an Action of Debt against *Tho.* <sup>4 Leon. 235.</sup>  
*Lillingston*, (which began in the Common Pleas, *Pasc.* <sup>239.</sup>  
*4 Jacobi*, rot. 704.) for 195 l. and declared, That one  
*Faustin Dixwell*, and *Mary* his Wife, and the said *Tho.*  
*Lillingston*, and *Mary* his Wife, were seised of the Rectory of  
*Lillingston* in the County of *Bedford* in Fee, and *Mi.* 31 *El.*  
thereof levied a Fine to *Papworth* and *Chambers*, and the  
Heirs of *Papworth*, who granted and rendred a Rent-charge  
of 30 l. out of the said Rectory to the said *Faustin* for his  
Life, to begin after the Death of *Mary* his Wife, the Rent  
yearly to be paid at the Feasts of St. *Michael* the *Archangel*,  
and the *Annunciation* : *Provisio semper, quod predict'*  
*Concessio predict'* *annualis redditus* 30 l. *non aliquatit'* *se*  
*extendat ad onerand'* *personas dict'* *Papworth & Chambers,*  
*sed tantummodo ad onerand'* *dict'* *Rectoriam tota vita ipsius*  
*Faustini*; and rendred the said Rectory to *Faustin* and  
*Mary* during the Life of *Mary*, the Remainder to *Thomas*  
*Lillingston* and *Mary* his Wife in Tail, the Remainder to  
the Right Heirs of *Lillingston*. 2 *Octob.* 33 *Eliz.* the said  
*Faustin* before Sir *Christ. Wray*, Chief Justice, acknowledg-  
ed a Recognizance of 500 l. in the Nature of a Statute Sta-  
ple, according to the Statute of 23 *H. 8.* to *Duncomb* now 32 *H. 8. cap. 6.*  
Plaintiff: 20 *Aug.* 39 *Eliz.* *Mary* the Wife of *Faustin* died,  
after whose Death *Lillingston* and *Mary* his Wife entred  
into the said Rectory, and were thereof seised in Tail, the  
Remainder in Fee to *Lillingston*. The said *Faustin* 15 *A-*  
*prilis* 40 *El.* by his Deed releas'd to the said *Lillingston*  
and his Heirs the said Rent of 30 l. *per ann.* The Plaintiff  
21 *Apr.* 40 *Eliz.* sued out of the Chancery a *Certiorari* to  
the Clerk of the Statutes, &c. whereupon the said Recogn-  
izance in the Nature of a Stat. was certified; and sued  
forth an *Extent*, by which the said Rent was extended,  
and upon *Liberate* delivered to the Plaintiff, the Plaintiff,  
for six Years and a half ending at the Feast of St. *Michael*  
the *Archangel*, an. 2 *Jacobi*, brought an Action of Debt against  
*Lillingston*, who all that Time was Ten't of the Land, and aver-  
ed the Life of *Faustin*. And upon all this Case two Quest-  
ions were moved; 1. Whether this Rent of 30 l. *per an.* being  
K extinct

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extinct by the said Release, had such Effence as to the Plaintiff the Conusee, that it might be extended and delivered to the Pl. 2. Admitting that it might be extended and delivered to the Pl. whether the Pl. as this Case is, could maintain an Action of Debt. As to the first it was objected, that this Recognizance is in the Nature of a Statute Staple, and the Stat. of 27 E. 3. c. 9. to which the Stat. of 23 H. 8. c. 6. refers, gives Power to the Mayors of the Staple to take Recogniz. of Debts, &c. and that, on Certificate of such Recognizance into the Chancery, a Writ be sent to arrest the Bodies of the Debtors, without letting 'em to Mainprize, and to seise their Lands and Tenements, Goods and Chattels, and that the Writ be return'd into the Chancery with the Certificate of the Value of the said Lands and Tenements, Goods and Chattels, and that thereon Execution be made from Time to Time in the same Manner as is contained in the Stat. Merchant: Upon which words it was argued, that Rent extinct before Execution sued was not within the said Words, *sc.* to seize the Lands and Tenements of the said Debtors. For at the Time of the Execut. sued the Debtor had not the Rent, but it was utterly extinct, and gone by the said Release. 2. The Writ of *Extent* is to extend *omnia terras & catalla ipsius Faustini, & in manus dict. nuper Regine seisciri faceret, ut ea præfat. Johanni liberari faciat*; and for as much as the Rent was extinct before the said Writ of *Extent*, it is not *in esse*, or to be extended, or taken into the K.'s Hands, or to be delivered to the Pl. 3. It would be against Reason, that the Freehold of the Rent being extinct, the Plaintiff should have Execut. of it, and thereby to have but a Chattel: and the Opin. of 3 & 4 Phil. & Ma. (a) *Dyer* fo. 205. was cited, where the Opin. is, that a Rent extinct cannot be extended, &c. To which it was answered and resolved, that to some Purposes by the Com. Law a Rent extinct shall be said *in esse* (b) as to a Stranger; and therefore, if the Husband seised of a Rent in Fee, releases the Rent to the Tenant of the Land, and afterwards the Husband dies, now the Wife shall be (c) endowed of this Rent so extinct, and shall have a *Writ of Dower*. The Words of which Writ are, *Præcipe A. qd' juste reddat B. tertiam partem 30 libr' reddit'*: and the *Writ of Dower, unde nihil habet* is, *Præcipe A. qd' juste reddat B. &c. rationabilem dotem suam quæ ei contingit de libero tenemento qd' fuit, &c.* and she shall have *Grand Cape*, or a *Petit Cape*, as her Case requires, to seise the Rent into the King's Hands: for *quoad petentem*, it is *in esse*, altho' in Truth the Rent is extinct; and see in the Lord *Aburgavenny's* Case, (d) 6 Co. 79. a. fo. 78. (d) in the sixth Part of my Reports, many Cases where a Thing extinct shall be said *in esse* (e) for the Benefit of a Stranger. 2. It was observed, That the said Act (f) 3 Co. 12. a. of (f) 23 H. 8. cap. 6. (by force of which the said Recognizance in the Case at Bar was taken) for the Execution refers to the Statute Staple and Statute Merchant, *scil.* the said Act of 27 E. 3. refers to Statute Mer-

(a) Dy. 205. p. 7.  
Postea 38. b.

(b) 4 Leon. 235.  
239.  
1 Jones 62.  
2 Rol. 471.  
Hob. 165.  
(c) 6 Co 79. a.  
Co. Lit. 32. a.

(d) 6 Co. 79. a.  
(e) 1 Jones 62.

(f) 3 Co. 12. a.

chant, *de an.* 13 (a) E.1. The words of which Stat. are, (And (a) 3 Co. 12. a. when the Lands of the Debtor be delivered to the Merchant, he shall have seisin of all the lands that were in the hands of the Debtor, the day of the recognizance made, in whose hands soever that they come afterwards, by Feoff. or otherwise.) Then presently by the recognizance acknowledged the rent was bound, and shall be extended by the express purview of the Stat. in whose hand soever it shall come, and no more than the release of *Faustin* shall hurt after execution had by the conusee, no more shall it before execution, for the rent was liable to execution presently, by the Recognizance acknowledged. So if a man hath judgm. to recover debt or damages, the rent which he hath of any estate of freehold is thereby lyable to it; and therefore altho' after judgm. he releases it, the Pl. shall have execution of a moiety by *Elegit*, which is given by the Stat. of *West.* 1. (or 2.) c. 18. the words of which Stat. are; *Liberent ei medietatem terræ debitoris*; which by construction of law, is of all which he had at the time of the judgm. given, or at any time after. And in *Cheny's Case*, 21 *El.* in the court of wards it was resolved, That where he in the reversion did enfeof fess for years to the use of others, that altho' the lease would be surrendered and extinct by the Com. Law, yet by the (b) saving of the Stat. of 27 *H.* 8. of uses, the term of the feoffee was saved. Also in the same court 28 *El.* in one *Isted's* case it was resolved, that where the Lord did enfeof the copyholder to the use of others, that the copyhold estate by the saving of the said act was preserved. So in case at bar, by the act *de mercatoribus*, all the lands (which includes all hereditaments extendable) which the debtor had at the day of the recognizance acknowledged, shall be delivered; which act doth preserve the rent to be in esse as to the execution of the conusee. And the case in 21 (c) E. 3. 18. b. and (d) *F.N.B.* 223. I. is, if L. and Ten't Abbot be, and the L. releases to the Abbot his Seignory, it is Mortmain by the Stat. *de Religiosis*, and the Ld. paramount shall have it by force of the said act, and yet the words of the act are *Dominus feodi taliter alienati* shall have it, and by the release it is extinct, and yet as to the L. paramount it is by construction of the act in esse, and he shall have it. 3. It would be hard, That the conusor by his own act should bar the Conusee, who is a stranger to the Release, of his Execution of the Rent, which perhaps was a chief cause of taking of the said recogniz. to have execut. of it; and it is more reason to relieve the conusee in whom no fault or laches was, than the terretenant, who ought not to be misconusant of such charges of record. 4. Every execut. hath in judgm. of law relation and retrospect to the (e) judgm. as appears in *Shelly's* case in the first part of my Reports. And the said case of *Dover*, and the grand *Cape*, and *Petit Cape* thereupon, and the Statute *de Mercatoribus*, which binds all the Land of the Conusor

(b) Moor 156. a.  
2 And. 192, 193.  
Winch 106,  
109, 117.  
O. Bendl. 57.  
Antea 19. b.  
20. a.  
Raym. 148.

(c) Fitz. Mortm.  
12.  
(d) 3 Co. 31. 3.

(e) Co. 94. b.  
106. b.  
10 Co. 38. a.

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that he had the Day of the Recognizance acknowledged in whose Hands soever it shall come, give a full and sufficient answer to all the said Objections. And the Opinion of a Serjeant *Obiter* in 3 (a) & 4 *Ph. & Mar.* was utterly denied. As to the second Point, it was resolved by the whole Court, That the Action of Debt (b) lies not so long as the *Extent* endures, for so long hath the Rent Continuance, altho' the Freehold thereof be determined. And all that, as to this Point, which was resolved in *Ognel's Case* in the 4th Part of my *Reports*, fol. 49. was affirmed to be good Law: and 9 H. 7. 17. a. That if the Lord grants his Seigniorie for Years; the Grantee during the Years shall not have an Action of Debt. And it was also resolved, That altho' there is an expresse (c) *Proviso*, that the Person shall not be charged in a Writ of *Annuity*, yet in such Case after the Annuity or Rent determined, the Person of the Terretenant shall be charged in Debt for the Arrearages, because the Annuity is determined, and he hath no other Remedy, as it is held in *Ognel's Case*, and 6 *El. Dy.* (d) 227. there cited. It was also resolved, That if a Man grants a Rent-charge for Life out of his Land, and the Rent is behind; and the Grantor enfeoffs A. and the Rent is behind in his (f) 1 Co. 99. a. Time; and afterwards A. enfeoffs B. and the Rent is behind in his Time, and afterwards the Grantee dies, his Executors shall have an Action of Debt against each of them, for the Rent (e) behind in his Time. For (f) *Qui sentit commodum sentire debet & onus*, as it is also held in *Ognel's Case*.

(a) Ant. 37. b.  
Dy. 205. pl. 7.  
(b) 1 Rol. 595.

(c) 6 Co. 41. b.

(d) Co. Lit.  
146. b.  
6 Co. 41. b.  
(e) 4 Co. 49. b.  
Co. Lit. 162. b.  
(f) 1 Co. 99. a.  
5 Co. 24. b.  
100. a.  
Co. Lit. 231. a.  
2 Inst. 489.  
Cart. 142.  
3 Keb. 592.  
Plowd. 249.

## BEDELL's Case.

*Mich. 5 Jacobi. in B. R.*

**H***Ill. 1 Jacobi, Rot. 375.* in the King's Bench. Between *(a)* 2 Rol. 782, *Eliz. Bedell* Plaintiff in Debt, and *Michael (a) Bedell* 785. 11 Co. 24 b. Defendant, the Case was such. *Rob. Bedell* seised of a 25. a. Jenk. Cen. Messuage, &c. in *Iwer* and *Langley* in the County of *Bucks* 289. 1 Jones 419. 2 Jon. 105. in Fee, by the said *El.* his Wife had Issue 3 Sons; *James* was March 50, 51. the 2d Son, and *Michael* the Defend. the 3d. The said *Robert* by Indenture Tripartite, between him and his Wife of the first Part; the said *James* his 2d Son of the 2d Part; and the said *Michael* his 3d Son of the 3d Part, in Consideration of the natural Affection and paternal Love which he had to the said *James* and *Michael*, and for their better Preferment and Advancement, and to the Intent that the same Tenements should continue in his Name and Blood, covenanted by the said Indenture, that he and his Heirs would stand seised of the said Tenements to the Use of himself for Life; and after his decease to the Use of the said *Elizabeth* his Wife for Life, and after their Deceases, of one Moiety to the Use of the said *James* in Tail, and of the other Moiety to the Use of the said *Michael* in Tail, &c. and afterwards *Robert* died, and all this Matter was found by special Verdict. And the sole Question was, whether (as the Case is) any use arose to *Elizabeth* his Wife or not. And it was objected, that the Wife was not within the Considerations which were expressed in the Indenture, and no other Consideration can be averred than is contained in the Deed, for the whole Substance of the Agreement of the Parties was referred to the Deed, and the whole ought to appear therein, and nothing is left to the Word or Averment of the Parties. To which it was answered and resolved, That a Consideration which stands with the Deed, and is not repugnant to it, might be well (b) averred, as it is adjudged in 3 & 4 *Phil. & Mar. Dyer* 146. in (c) *Viller's Case*; which see in the first Part of my Reports in *Mildmay's Case*, 176. a. 2. Admitting that other Consideration than what is expressed in the Deed could not be averred, yet in this Case there is an express (d) Consideration: For when he limits it to the Use of his Wife for Term of her Life, that imports a sufficient Consideration in it self; and there needs not any Averment; for (e) manifesta (e) 11 Co. 25. a. proba-

- probatione non indigent*, as in 13 H. 4. 17. a. where the Stat. Westm. 1. cap. 38. ordains, That the Writ of Assise of Mortdauncester shall have the Term of Limitation from the Coronation of King H. 3. there it is held, That if an Infant brings an assise of Mortdauncester of the Possession of his Father or Mother, he (a) need not alledge, that it was after the Coronation of K. H. 3. for it appears. So if the Father, Tenant by Knight's Service enfeofs his Son and Heir apparent within Age, it need not be averred to be by (b) Collusion, for it is apparent. *Wimbisb's Case*, Pl. Com. and 27 H. 8. *Dacre's Case*. 33 H. 6. 14. 33 H. 6. 32. *Et quedam tacita habentur pro expressis*. So if I covenant that in Consideration of paternal Love and Affection to my eldest Son, to stand seised to the Use of my eldest Son for Life or in Tail, and afterwards to the Use of my second Son in Tail, and afterwards to the Use of such one my Cousin in Fee, altho' the Consideration expressed in Words respects only the eldest Son, yet the Consideration apparent in the Deed, in limiting the Use to my second Son, or my Cousin, is sufficient in Law to raise the Use. So if I covenant to stand seised to the Use of my Wife, Son, (c) or Cousin, it shall well raise an use without any express Words of Consideration: For sufficient Consideration appears, and Paternal Love and Affection appear. But if the Father by Deed indented in Consideration of an \* Hundred Pounds paid by the Son, covenants to stand seised to the Use of his Son, there no Use shall be raised to the Son, unless the Deed be enrolled, by the Stat. of 27 (d) H. 8. cap. 10. For it is in the Nature of a Bargain and Sale, and there (e) *expressum facit cessare tacitum*. And afterwards on this Judgment a Writ of Error was brought the same Term on the (f) new Stat. and by all the Justices of the Common Pleas, and Barons of the Exchequer, the Judgment was affirmed. *Quod nota bene*.
- (a) 8 Co. 126. b.  
9 Co. 54. b.  
Doct. pl. 86.  
Br. Morrdan. 8.  
(b) Plow. 49. b.  
(c) Rel. Re. 68.  
Plowd. 304. a.  
1 And. 79.  
Cro Jac. 624.  
Cro. Car. 530.  
8 Co. 94. a.  
1 Jones 419.  
\* 3 Co. 94. a.  
11 Co. 24. b.  
25. a.  
1 Vent. 138.  
Carr. 738, 146.  
Palm. 214, 215.  
Winch 59, 60.  
(d) 27 H. 8. c. 16.  
(e) Co. Lit.  
183. b.  
3 Co. 97. a.  
11 Co. 24. b.  
Godb. 449.  
Latch 265.  
Raymond 46.  
Carr. 146.  
(f) 27 El. c. 8..

## BERESFORD's Case.

Mich. 5 Jacobi.

**I**N the Court of Wards between *James Beresford* Relator, and *Thomas Beresford* and others, Defendants, the Case was briefly such; *Aden Beresford* being seised of the Mannors of *Fennibently*, *Bircham*, and other Lands in Fee, by his Deed, 14 Junii, 40 El. did enfeof *William Fleetwood* and others in Fee to the Uses of certain Indentures bearing Date the 29th of *Novemb.* 34 *Eliz. scil.* to the Use of the said *Aden* the Father, for Term of his Life, and after his Decease to the Use of *George Beresford*, Son and Heir Apparent of the said *Aden*, and the Heirs Males of his Body lawfully begotten; and for Default of such Issue, to the Use of *Aden Beresford*, Son of *James Beresford*, and of the Heirs Males of the said *Aden*, Son of the said *James*, lawfully begotten, and for Default of such Issue, to the Use of the Heirs Males of the Body of the said *James Beresford* lawfully begotten; and for Default of such Issue, to the Use of *Thomas Beresford*, third Son of the said *Aden*, and of the Heirs Males of the Body of the said *Thomas* lawfully begotten; and for Default of such Issue, to the Use of *Hump. Beresford*, fourth Son of the said *Aden*, and of the Heirs Males of his Body, lawfully begotten, with divers Remainders over, and with Remainder to the Heirs Females of the Body of *George*, and so of *Aden*, the Son of *James*, lawfully begotten, &c. with the Remainder to the right Heirs of *Aden* the Father for ever. And the only Question of the Case was, What Estate *Aden* the Son of *James* had? and this Case was twice argued before the two Ch. Justices, and Ch. Baron, at *Serjeants Inn*. And it was objected, That *Aden* the Son of *James* had not Fee-tail but Fee-simple; for the Limitation to him is, To the Use of *Aden*, and of the Heirs Males of the said *Aden* lawfully begotten; and here want these Words (of the Body) of the said *Aden*, so that now the Limitation is in effect, only to the Use of *Aden*, and the Heirs Males of the said

Cr. Jac. 448,  
591.  
2 Rol. Rep.  
196, 217.  
Lit. Rep. 320,  
347.  
Hutt. 85.

2 Salk. 620, &c.

Aden, for the subsequent words (*lawfully begotten*) are implied: for every Heir ought to be lawfully begotten. And a limitation to one, and to his heirs males, is without question a fee-simple. And a Judgment in the King's bench between (a) *Abraham* and *Trigg*, *Hill. 38 El. rot. 739.* was strongly urged, where a feoffment was made to the uses of certain indentures (as this case is) where one limitation was *ad opus & usum Gabrielis Dormer & heredum masculor' suor' legitime procreator' & pro defectu talis exitus*, to the use of divers others in tail in remainder: and upon argument at the bar and bench, it was adjudged, That *Gabriel* had a fee-simple; for it is not limited of what body the heirs males should be begotten, but his intent was, *qd' singuli heredes sui masculi* should inherit, which intent did not stand with the rule of law; and altho' a remainder be limited over, which could not be upon a fee-simple, yet that could not against the rule of law make words of fee-simple to be converted to an estate-tail. And they concluded with *Litt. fol. 6. b.* that the reason wherefore when lands are given to one and his heirs males, or females, it is a fee-simple, is, because it is not limited by the gift of (b) what body the issue male or female shall be begotten, and so cannot in any manner be taken by the equity of the Stat. *de donis conditionalibus*, and therefore it is a fee-simple. So in the case at bar; and therewith agrees 8 *E. 3. 49.* where lands were given to one & *heredibus suis legitimis*, the same is fee simple, which is all one with a limitat. to one & *heredibus suis legitime procreatis*. But it was answered and resolved by the said Ch. Justices and Ch. Baron, (c) that the said *Aden* son of the said *J.* had an estate-tail, by which all the remainders over were lawfully vested: For it was agreed that to an estate in tail is requisite in all gifts and limitations of uses, that the heirs be limited to be procreated or begotten on some body in certain, either by express words, or by words which tantamount (d) for these precise words (*de corpore*) are not necess. to the creation of an estate-tail, so long as there are words which are equivalent; as in (e) 5 *H. 5. 6. a. b.* where the gift was *Dedi unum mesuag. R. & K. uxori ejus & heredib' eor' & aliis heredib. dict' R. si dict' hered' de R. & K. exeuntes obierint sine heredib' de se*. In that case these words (*de corpore*) are omitted, and yet it was adjudged a good estate-tail, for there are words which are equivalent; for the gift in effect is to the husb. and wife, and to the heirs of the husb. and wife begot' or of the said *R. & K. exeunt. or heredib' de se*, and all this is by force of this preposition (*de*) and (issuing.) And in (f) 12 *H. 4. brev.* land was given to one & *heredib' quos sibi contigerit habere de uxori sua*, here wanted the words (*de corpore*) yet because it doth amount to as much, it is adjudged an estate-tail. And 3 *Edw. 3. Brev. 743.* (g) land is given to one & *heredibus suis de prima uxore sua*, it is a good Estate-tail. And it was resolved, if Land be given to one

(a) Moor 424.  
Lit. Rep. 287,  
347.  
El. 478. Hut. 85.

(b) Lit. Sect. 31.  
Co. Lit. 27. a.

(c) Hutt. 85.  
Cr. Jac. 448,  
591.  
2 Siderf. 42.

(d) Lit. Rep. 5.  
2 Siderf. 73.  
Cr. El. 40.  
Co. Lit. 27. b.  
(e) Perk. Sect.  
169.

2 Rol. Rep. 196.  
Lit. Rep. 260,  
320. Bridgm. 2.  
Br. Tail. 12.  
Br. Estates 62.  
Fitz. Tail. 11.  
Co. Lit. 20. b.  
1 Bullstr. 222.  
(f) Cr. Jac. 591.  
Co. Lit. 20. b.

(g) Co. Lit. 20. f.

one & *heredibus de se exeuntibus*, that it is a good Estate-tail. And in these Cases, the principal Cause is by Force of this Preposition (*de*). And divers other Cases were put, for which Cause it was concluded, That either Words (*de corpore*) or which are equivalent, are requisite to the Creation of an Estate-tail. And it was resolved in the Case at Bar, there were Words which were equivalent; for by the Stat. *de donis conditionalibus*, *voluntas donatoris in charta doni sui manifeste expressa de cetero observetur*; and therefore in this Case such Construction shall be made as will produce 3 Effects, 1. To stand with the Rule of Law, 2. With the Intent of the Donor, 3. That all the Parts of the Indenture may stand together. And therefore translate the said Limitation to *Aden* into *Latin*, and then the Limitation is, *ad usum Adeni & heredum masculorum de dicto Adeno legitime procreatorum*, or *& hered' masculorum legitime procreatorum de dicto Adeno*, which is as much as if he had said, *per dict' Adenum legitime procreat'*; for it is all one in Effect: For this Word (*de*) or (*ex*) coupled with the Word subsequent *procreat'* doth appropriate the Heirs Males to be of the Body of *Aden*; for *de Adeno*, or *ex Adeno*, and *de corpore Adeni*, are all one. And that is directly proved by the Judgment in the said Case of (a) 5 H. 5. 6. a. b. For there was (*de*) and (*exeunt.*) and here is (*de*) and (*procreat.*) which are all one in Effect. And in the said Case of *Abraham* (b) and *Trigge* there wanted (*de*). And as to that it was objected, That the Limitation in *Latin* might well be, *ad usum dicti Adeni, & heredum masculorum dicti Adeni* (in the Genitive Case) *legitime procreat.* and not (*de dicto Adeno*) or if the Limitation be not certain to make an Estate-tail, there are Words certain enough to make an Estate in Fee. To which it was answered and resolved: 1. It ought to be, *de dicto Adeno*; for otherwise it would be against the Meaning of the Donor, and all the Remainders over would be void; and always such (c) Construction ought to be made, that all the Parts of the Deed may stand together, if it may stand with the Rule of the Law. 2. The subsequent Clause is, (*and for Default of such Issue*) and Issue cannot be of *Aden*, unless the Words be (*de dicto Adeno*) and therefore one Clause is well explain'd by the other. And according to this Resolution the Case was decreed accordingly. *Vide* 35 (d) *Affise pla.* 14. (e) 37 *Aff. pla.* 14. (f) 39 *Aff. pla.* 20. 24 *Edw.* 3. 28. 18 *Edw.* 2. *Brief* 836.

(a) Cr. Jac. 591.  
Perk. Sect. 169.  
Antea 40. b.  
2 Rol. Rep. 196.  
Lit. Rep. 260.  
320. Bridgm. 2.  
Br. estates 62.  
Fitz. tail 1 i.  
Co. Lit. 20. b.  
1 Bulstr. 222.  
(b) Moor 424.  
Antea 40. b.  
Lit. Rep. 287.  
347. Cr. El. 478.  
Hutt. 86.  
(c) Wing.  
Max. 238.  
(d) Fitz. tail 17.  
Br. estates 36.  
Br. tail 20.  
(e) 1 Rol. 836.  
Perk. Sect. 171.  
Cr. Jac. 591.  
37 Aff. pl. 15.  
Br. estates 61.  
Br. tail 21.  
(f) 39 Aff. pl. 20.  
Br. estates 38.  
Br. tail 23.  
Fitz. tail 19.  
Co. Lit. 20. b.  
22. a. Cr. El.  
153, 313.  
Owch 148.  
1 Ventr. 228.  
Palm. 33.

[See the Case of *Idle and Cook*. 2 Salk. 621, 622.]

\* Skinner 470,  
485, 496.

## \* KENN'S Case.

Mich. 4 Jac.

Cr. Jac. 186.  
Jenk. Cent. 289.  
1 Rol. 360. H. 3.

IN the Court of Wards between *Thomas Robertson*, and *Elizabeth* his Wife, Plaintiff, and *Florence Lady Stalenge*, Defendant, the Case was such. *Christopher Kenn*, Esq; was seised of the Manor of *Kenn* in the County of *Somerset*, held by Knights Service in capite, and 37 Hen. 8. de facto took to Wife *Elizabeth Stowel*, and afterward the said *Elizabeth Stowel* had Issue *Martha*, Mother of *Elizabeth*, one of the now Plaintiffs; and afterwards 1 & 2 P. & Mar. in the Court of Audience, between the said *Christopher Kenn* Plaintiff, and *Elizabeth Stowel* Defendant, the Judge there gave Sentence in these Words; *Præfens. tractat. contract. sponsalia, & matrimonium, quoniam verius effigiem matrimonii inter Chr. Kenn & Eliz. Stowel in minore & sua impubertatis ætate eorundem aut eorum alterius de fact. habit. contract. & celebrat. fuisse & esse, eisdemque Christophorum & Eliz. tam tempore contractus, & solemnizationis dict. præfens. matrimonii, quam etiam continuo postea eidem matrimonio præfens. & solemnizationi ejusdem dissensisse, contravenisse, reclamasse & reluctasse, ac eo prætextu hujusmodi præfens. tractat. contract. sponsalia & matrimonium de jure nullum & nulla, irritum & irrita, cassum & cassa, invalidum & invalida, & minus efficax & inefficacia fuisse & esse, viribusque juris caruisse, carere, & carere debere; necnon ante dictos Chr. Kenn & Eliz. Stowel, quatenus de facto fuer. ad invicem matrimon. ut prædicitur copulat, ab invicem separand. & divorciand. fore debere pronunciamus, decernimus, & declaramus, eosq; separamus & divorciamus, eisdemque Christophoro & Eliz. licentiam & libertatem ad alia vota convolandam concedimus, tribuimus, & impertimur per hanc sententiam nostram definitivam, sive hoc finale nostrum decretum, quam sive quod ferimus & promulgamus in hiis scriptis, &c.* And after the said Divorce the said *Christopher Kenn* married and took to Wife *Elizabeth Beckwith*. And afterwards, anno 5 Eliz. before divers Commissioners Ecclesiastical,

affical, the said *E. Beckw.* did libel against the said *Ch. Kenn*, that he (before the marriage contracted betwixt 'em) had married with the said *E. Stowel*, whereupon process was awarded against the said *E. pro interesse*, and on due Examinat. of the cause there was a sentence, that the marriage betwixt the said *Ch. Kenn* and *E. Beckw.* was lawful, and sentenced 'em *ad exequenda conjugal' obsequia*, &c. And that the said *Ch. Kenn* was never lawfully married to the said *E. Stowel*; and afterwards the said *E. Beckw.* died, after whose death the said *Ch. Kenn* married the said *Florence*, by whom he had issue one daughter *E.* and died; and *ann. 36 El.* it was found by office in the county of *Som.* by force of a *Mandamus*, after the death of the said *Ch. Kenn*, that the said *E. Kenn* was his daughter and heir, and that she was within age, *sc.* of the age of ten months. The wardship and custody of whom the Q. granted to Sir *N. Stallege*, and the said *Flor.* then his wife: Whereupon the said *Martha* pretending herself to be daughter and heir to the said *Ch. Kenn*, with her Husb. *Silv. Williams* exhibited their bill in the court of Wards against the said Sir *N.* and *Florence*, surmising that the said *Martha* was daughter and heir of the said *Ch. Kenn* on the body of *E. Stowel* his lawful wife (as she pretended) alledging that they at the time of their marriage, *in an. 37 H. 8.* were both of 'em above the age of consent, and that they did cohabit together 9 or 10 years before the said supposed divorce, during which Cohabitat. the said *Martha* was gotten betwixt 'em, and prayed leave that the said *Sil.* and *M.* might traverse the said office. To which the said Sir *N.* and *Flor.* answered, and the Pl. examined divers witnesses, and before Publicat. Sir *N.* died; and thereupon the said *Sil.* and *M.* exhibited a bill of Revivor against the said *Flor.* and afterwards *M.* having issue *El.* wife of the now Pl. died, after whose death the said *T. Robertson* and *El.* his wife brought a new bill of Revivor to revive the first suit, in which the Witnesses were examined. And this Case was referred to *Fleming* and *Coke* Ch. Justices, and to *Tanfield* Ch. Baron, and to *Telverton* and *Williams* Justices, and *Snigg* and *Albarn* Barons of the Exchequer. And in this Case 3 Questions were moved. 1. If against the first Divorce the Plaintiffs should be received, so long as it remain'd in force, to aver, that they did agree and consent to the marriage; or that they should be concluded by the said Divorce. 2. The second Question was, if they should have a Traverse to the said Office before an Office found for them. 3. If they should have a Bill of Revivor upon a Bill of Revivor, as this Case is, and the Justices heard many Arguments before them at several Days and in several Terms at Serjeants Inn. And as to the 1st it was objected, that it appears by *Litt. lib. 2. fol. 22.* and by the Statute of *Merton, c. 6.* and *35 H. 6. 40. b. 53c.* That the Common Law and Parliaments have taken Notice of the Age of Consent of the Male to be (a) fourteen, and of the Female

(a) Lit. Sect.

104.

Co. Lit. 79. a. b.

male 2 Inst. 90.

male to be 12; and therefore it is triable at the com. law. And if in truth the Husb. and Wife are of age of consent at the time of the marriage, no divorce after, pretending that they were within age of consent shall conclude the parties or their heirs, but they may prove the contrary at the com. law and chiefly in the case at bar, because it concerns inheritance and the true descent thereof; *Et sententia contra matrimonium nunquam transit in rem judicat.* 2. Admitting that they were within age of consent, and after age of consent they assent or cohabit, and have issue, altho' a divorce for impuberty and minority of years be had, yet it is but evidence, and shall not conclude the parties in any Act'n at the com. law to prove the assent, for inasmuch as the divorce is had for that cause, and the cause is triable by the common law, the divorce shall not conclude. And 11 H. 7. 27. a. was cited, that he who pleads a divorce ought to shew the cause of the divorce; and if the cause be triable at the com. law (as it is in the case at bar) there it shall not conclude; but if it be a thing not triable at the com. law, as a precontract, profession, &c. there it is otherwise. But as to that it was resolved by all the said Just. and Barons, that the said sentence should conclude as long as it remained in force, and that for divers causes. 1. The Ecclesiastic.

- (a) Cr. Jac. 186. (a) Judge hath sentenced the contract and marriage to be void and of no effect, and altho they were of the age of consent, yet if the original contract was void, and of no effect, then there was just cause of divorce. 2. There were words of divorce and separation, *eosd' divorciamus Et separamus*; and gives each of them liberty *ad alia vota convolvanda*. 3. If the marriage had been *infra ann. nobiles*, the Ecclesiastic Judge is Judge as well of the assent as of the first contract, and what shall be a sufficient assent or not; and altho' the Ecclesiastic Judge shews the
- (b) Jenk. Centr. 289. (b) cause of his sentence, yet forasmuch as he is Judge of the original matter, *sc.* of the lawfulness of the marriage, we will never examine the cause whether it be true or not; for of things, (the cognizance whereof belongs to the Ecclesiastical Court) we ought to give (c) credit to their sentences, as they give to the Judgm. in our courts. Also the rule of their law is, *qd' masculi quidem puberes, feminae viri potentes matrimonium sentire possunt*; and the Determinat. thereof doth belong to their cognizance. And as to the case of 11 H. 7. 27. a. it is true, That the cause of the divorce ought to be shewed, because some divorces dissolve the marriage, *sc. a vinculo matrimonii*, bastardise the issue, and bar the wife of her dower, and some *a mensa Et thoro*, which do not dissolve the marriage, nor bar the wife of dower, nor bastardize the issue; but in the case of Deprivation. the (d) cause need not be shewed, for be it right or wrong, upon cause or without cause, it stands, and every deprivation disables and removes the Party deprived, as well for one Cause as for another, as long as the Deprivation remains
- (c) Jenk. Centr. 289. 4 Co. 49. a. 2 Rol. 7. 5 Co. 7. a. Caudry's Case. 8 Co. 135. b. 2 Ventr. 43. Cawly 31.
- (d) 1 Sid. 71, 251.

in force. *Vide* 8 Aff. 9 (a) E. 4. 24. a. 7 E. 4. (b) 32. a. 3 H. 6. 12 H. 8. 5. (a) Br. plead-  
 And Coke C. J. cited the case in 22 E. 4. Tit. *Consultat.* 5. *Corbett's* ing 37.  
 case, where the case was, that Sir R. Corb. had by Eliz. his wife 2 (b) Fitz. brief 175.  
 sons, Rob. the elder, and Roger the younger, and died; Rob. the (b) Fitz. bar 96.  
 elder being within the age of 14 years, took one Maud to wife, Br. Abbe &  
 and at full age they cohabited together, & *habuerunt carnal* Prior 14.  
*copulam*, & *cogniti* & *reputati pro viro* & *uxore palam*; and Br. pleadings  
 afterwards the said Rob. put away the said Maud his wife, 123.  
 having no issue by her, and married one Lettice, &c. living the  
 said Maud, and had issue Rob. by her, and afterwards Rob.  
 who so married Lettice, died, and Lettice declared publicly,  
 that she was the lawful wife of Rob. and her son a Mulier, for  
 which the said Roger the son of the said Sir R. Corbett sued  
 in the spirit' court to reverse the marriage betw. Rob. his bro-  
 ther and Lett. and that Lett. be put to silence; for which cause  
 Lett. sued a Prohibit. And in that case 3 points were resolved.  
 1. That if Rob. and Maud had had issue and had been unjustly  
 divorced, and afterwards Rob. had married Lett. and had is-  
 sue and died, the issue of Rob. and Maud might sue in the ec-  
 cleastical court to avoid the divorce, for so long as the divorce  
 stood in force (the com. law gives so great credit (c) to it) the  
 issue could not have remedy by the com. law. And note in  
 the case no cause of the divorce doth appear, but because the  
 marriage was had when the parties were *infra annos nobiles*; (c) Jenk. Cen.  
 and in the said case of divorce, the issue shall have his suit to 289. 4 Co. 49. i.  
 reverse it originally in the spiritual Court, for the divorce is a 2 Rol. 7.  
 spiritual Judgm. and ought to be reversed in the spiritual court. 5 Co. 7. a.  
 But in the case of Corbett there is no divorce, nor other spiri- Caudry's Ca.  
 tual Judgm. that should disable the said Roger; and therefore 8 Co. 135. b.  
 he ought originally to begin at the com. law as heir, and he 2 Vent. 43.  
 shall have all Actions in the temporal Court as heir, and all Cawly 31.  
 benefits as heir against the issue of Lett. notwithstanding, the 2d  
 marriage; for that is void in all laws temporal and spiritual,  
 and the action and original to bastardize any, shall not be  
 moved originally in the spiritual Court, when no spiritual sen-  
 tence doth disable him, but he shall begin in the temp. court,  
 and then if need be, they shall write to the spiritual Judge, if  
 general bastardy be alledged; and the reason thereof is, be-  
 cause a man may be a bastard in the temporal law, and Mu-  
 lier in the spirit' law, and *e converso*. As a man who is be-  
 gotten in adultery during the coverture is Mulier by the temp'  
 law, and bastard by the spiritual law. And if a man (d) beats a (d) F. N. B. 51.  
 clerk, if he sues in the spiritual court to excommunicate him K. 52. f. 12 H. 7.  
 for the offence, he doth well; but if he sues there to have a 23. a. 4 Co. 20. b.  
 amends, he shall have a Prohibition. 2. It was resolved in the 5 Co. 51. a.  
 said case of Corbett, That when the spiritual court shall have  
 Jurisdiction, the whole cause ought to be spiritual; as if a par-  
 son libels against a lay-man for taking away his Tithes, the  
 temporal Court shall have Jurisdiction, for it is mixt with  
 the Temporality: And in the same Case the Matter

is mixt (by consequence) with the temporality, *sc.* that the one is heir, and that the other is a bastard; but if the said case of tithes be between parson and parson, or between a parson and a lay-man, if the right of tithes comes in question, the spirit' court shall have the Jurisdiction. See the Stat. *de circum-*

(a) 2 Inst. 488.

*specie agatis*, where it is said, That (a) mere *spiritualia* belong to the Ecclesiastic Cognizance. And *Linwood*, *cap. de foro competent. fo. 7.* saith, *mere spiritualia sic dicta, quia non habent mixturam temporali*: And where the said Act saith,

(b) 2 Inst. 488.

*de mortali peccato*, *Linwood* expounds it, and saith, *Non (b) intelligas de omni peccato mortali, sed de tali cujus punitio de sua natura spectat ad forum ecclesiast*: *nam si de ratione cuiuslibet peccati mortal cognosceret ecclesia, sic periret temporalis gladii iurisdictione, cum vix esset dare caus. quin ratione peccati possit deferri ad Eccles.* 3. It was resolved in the said case of *Corb.* That when the whole cause is originally spiritual, yet if after in the spiritual court they are to try a temporal conu-

(c) *Wiz. jurif-*  
*ciction 39.*  
*Br. Jurisdiction. 30.*

sance, a Prohibit. shall issue; as if one parson saith, that the place is within his parish, and the other contrary, after such matter shewed, a Prohibit. shall issue, and therewith agree 39

*E. 3. 23. & (c) 5 H. 5. 10. b.* Note Reader, a good difference between a repeal of a sentence of divorce given in the life of the parties, and to give sentence of divorce after the death of the parties. For it appears by the said case of 22 *E. 4.* that a sentence of divorce may be repealed in the spirit. court by a suit there after the death of the parties; but if any of the Parties be (d) dead before any divorce sentenced in the ecclesiast' court, there they cannot sue in the spirit' court, to declare the marriage void, and to bastardize the issue. For the trial doth originally belong to the K.'s court, where no disability is by sentence in the spirit' court, and therewith agree 39 *Aff. p. 10.*

(d) 1 Rol. 36c.  
1 Brownl. 42.  
Moor 228.  
Co. Lit. 244. a.  
Noy 29.  
4 Mod. 182.  
Comb. 200.  
Salk. 151, 548.

39 *E. 3. 31.* and 24 *H. 8. Tit. Bastardy 44. b.* That a divorce after the death of any of the parties, or a sentence declaratory that the marriage was void after the death of any of the parties, shall not bind 'em; for it is but in effect to bastardize the issue, of which they have not originally cogniz. as hath been said. *Vide 19 Aff. p. 2.* that if 2 be married *infra an. nuptiles*, and after the full age a divorce be betw. them, it dissolves the marriage, for there the Wife brought an assise against her Husb. See *Bury's* case in the 5th part of my Rep. f. 98. and see *Cawdry's* case in the same book; and see *Burning's* case in the 4th part of my Rep. f. 29. & 11 *H. 7. 9.* 34 *H. 6. 14.* 12 *H. 8. 5.* As to the 2d point it was objected, that the Plaintiff should have a traverse without any office found for him; for when a direct and suffic. office is found in one county by force of a *Diem clausit extremum*, or *Mandamus*, after the Death of the Ancest. there shall never be an office found again for the same land, as long as that stands in its force; for otherwise the law would never have an End; and therewith agree 4 *H. 4.*

Cr. Jac. 186.

(or 7.) 15. 14 *E. 4. 5.* 15 *E. 4. 11.* 2 *E. 7. 12, 18.* and therefore it would be hard to compel him to find an Office for him,

before he can traverse; where by the Law he cannot find in such Case any Office. 2. It was objected, That the Statute of 2 2 Inst. 688, E. 6. c. 8. hath remedied it if any Office were requisite by the 689, &c. Common Law, the Words of which Act are; *And whereas one Person or more is or shall be found Heir to the King's Tenant by Office where any other Person is or shall be Heir, or if one Person or more be or shall be found Heir by Office in one County, and another Person or Persons is or shall be found Heir to the same Party in another County, &c. Be it enacted, that every Person grieved by any such Office shall and may have his or their Traverse to the same immediately, or after, at his or their Pleasure, and proceed and have like Trial and Advantage, as in other Cases of Traverse.* By which it appears, that the Party grieved shall have a Traverse (without speaking of any Office) and proceed and have such Advantage as in other Cases of Traverse; and in other Cases of Traverse there needs not any Office. But it was resolved, That as this Case at Bar is, the Pl. ought to have an Office found before he can traverse. And as to the first Objection it was answered and resolved, that in such special Case of finding of an Heir, he who is right Heir and grieved by the Office, shall have a new Writ of *Diem clausit extremum*, or *Mandamus*. For he is a Stranger to the said Office, and therefore the Office shall not conclude him. And the said Rule, and the Books are to be intended, That the same Person shall not have a new *Diem clausit extremum*, or *Mandamus*, after an Office once duly found, but another Person shall have one in that Case to prove himself Heir, and therewith agree 30 Aff. p. 28. F. N. B. 261, 262. 4 H. 7. 15. b. 12 R. 2. Livery 28. *Stamf. prerog.* 52. b. And that there ought to be an Office before he can traverse, the Common Law therein hath great Reason; for when the King is sure of Wardship, or Primer Seisin by the Office, it is not Reason that any one who pretends himself Heir should traverse the Office that the other is not Heir, until the King be sure to have Profit by him, either by Wardship or primer Seisin; for then after the first Office avoided by Traverse, he might shew Matter to bar the King of Wardship and Primer Seisin, which would not be reasonable. Also at the Common Law Interpleader lies, where by two several Offices in one and the same County several Persons are severally found Heirs to one and the same Person, to one and the same Land; *Ergo* the Party grieved may have a Writ to find an Office for him; for otherwise no Interpleader can be; for the Heir who was first found Heir shall have a *Scire facias* in the Chancery, against him who is found Heir by the second Office, (because the King is in Doubt to whom to make Livery) upon which if he appear, and justify the second Office, for the Trial of the Privy of the Blood, then he ought to traverse the first Office, (for all the Interpleading shall be thereupon) and upon the Trial thereof, he who is found Heir shall have Livery. So that it clearly appears, that he who traverses the Office in such Case ought to have an Office found for him by the Common Law; and therewith agree 36 E. 3. *Travers.* 44. 16 E. 4. 4. *Fitz. Nat. Br.* 162, 262. For he who ought to sue Livery,

Jenk. Cent. 289.  
Cro. Jac. 186.  
Co. Lit. 77. b.  
2 Inst. 690.

Livery, ought to have an office before he traverses. Otherwise of a Stranger who destroys the King's Title. *Vide* 36 E. 3. *Traverse* 44. 12 E. 4. 18. b. 16 E. 4. 4. a. 43 *Aff.* 20. 9 H. 7. 24. 5 E. 4. 5. 12 H. 6. 46 E. 3. *bre.* 618. As to the 2d Objection, it was answered and resolved, That the said Act of 2 E. 6. gives not a traverse to him who pretends himself to be Heir against an Office finding for another Heir, without an Office found for him; for that is incident to it, which is not taken away by the general Words of the Act, for then all Interpleaders would be thereby also taken away, which never was the Intention of the Act; but the Intent of the makers of the Act was, to take away a great Doubt that was at the Common Law, if one be found Heir within Age by one Office, and afterwards another is found Heir in the same County of full Age, if any Traverse and Interpleader should be immediately, or if the Traverse and Interpleading should stay until the full Age of the Infant, *fuit vexata questio*, as appears in our Books, *scil.* 36 E. 3. *Traverse* 44. 5 E. 4. 4. 1 H. 7. 14. a. *F.N.B.* 162. And therefore to oust that doubt was the Stat. of (a) 2 E. 6. made, by which it is enacted, *That the Party grieved shall have a traverse immediately*, which Word (*immediately*) proves the Intention of the said Act to provide for the said Doubt, and to give him who was grieved in such Case a Traverse presently; but not to alter the Foundation of the Traverse, *sc.* Office, which ought to be found for the Party grieved before he could traverse: And where the Stat. saith, *That he shall have a Traverse presently*, it is intended that he ought to observe all (b) Incidents to a Traverse: For the Office is the Ground and Foundation of his Traverse. As to the 3d Point it was resolved by the greater Part, That a Bill of (c) Revivor on a Bill of Revivor should not be admitted for the Infiniteness: For (d) *Infinitum in jure reprobatur*; and no Writ of Journeys Accompts on Journeys Accompts shall be brought. But it was resolved by all, that, as this Case is, the last Bill of Revivor was absurd, for it prays that the first Bill might be revived; and the first Bill prays, *That Martha might traverse, and Martha is dead*; and therefore the Bill of Revivor ought to have prayed that her Heir might traverse. And so first the Divorce, so long as it doth remain in Force, doth bind the Right. 2. The not finding of an Office doth disable the Plaintiff to traverse the Office: And lastly the Bill of Revivor on the Bill of Revivor, as this Case is, is not maintainable.

(a) 2 E. 6. c. 8.  
2 Inst. 688,  
689, c. 6.

(b) 2 Inst. 690.

(c) Cro. Jac.  
186.

(d) 6 Co. 45. a.  
9 Co. 168. b.  
12 Co. 24.  
2 Inst. 340.  
2 Bulstr. 99.  
Hob. 159.