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ABATEMENT OF WRITS :

(Attaint.) The writ will abate for "false Latin," as *e.g.* for the use of the words *prædicta mesuagia* where the word *mesuagia* ought to be used alone, 212 ; 214.

(*Audita Querela.*) A writ was brought on the ground of an indenture made in defeasance of a statute merchant, and conditioned for the grant of a term of years to the obligee, his peaceable possession during the term, and his immunity from the levying of any debt owing by the obligor, or of any "Green Wax." In the writ of *Audita querela*, as well as in the following *Venire faciās*, mention was made only of peaceable possession and not of the other conditions, and this omission was pleaded as a cause for the abatement of the writ, but the Court held that they were included in the peaceable possession, and adjudged the writ to be good, 424-428.

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tenant land be described as being "*in eadem villa*," the writ is bad for want of certainty whether the last mentioned land is in A. or B. If, however, the tenant takes a *Prece partium* with the demandant he thereby affirms the writ to be good, 82-88.

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(*Darrein Presentment.*) If the plaintiff alleges in his declaration that he is seised of the advowson, while the words of the writ are that the defendant "*advocationem illam ei deforciat*," the writ does not on that account abate, because the words are the ordinary form in which the writ issues from the Chancery, 178.

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(Entry *sine assensu Capituli*.) Where one writ was brought in the *post* against two persons in respect of a manor, one pleaded that she held two-thirds of it in severalty, and the other that she held the other third in severalty in dower. The facts not being denied, the writ abated, 368-370; 371, note 1.

(Formedon.) If, while the writ of Formedon is pending, a writ of Dower is brought against the tenant, and he confesses the action, and the demandant in Dower recovers, the writ of Formedon abates in respect of the third part of the tenements recovered as dower, though not in respect of the two other parts, per WILLOUGHBY, J. One of the reporters, however, adds, as to the abatement in respect of a third part, that the judgment was wrong, and contrary to law, 28-40.

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Where the writ was brought against husband and wife, and they pleaded several tenancy in abatement of the writ, on the ground that they held in virtue of a fine, by which part of the tenements was rendered to the husband in fee simple, and the rest to the husband and wife in fee tail, the writ was held to be good, 264-268.

(*Per quæ servitia*.) The writ does not abate through the death of the conusor, as the note of the fine is executory, 50-52.

(Plea of land in general.) Where a writ has been abated on the ground that the land demanded has been described as being in A., when it should have been described as being in B., and a second writ is brought which correctly describes the land as being in B., the tenant may plead joint tenancy with another person, though he has not so done in the case of the first writ, and if there be joint tenancy, the writ will abate, 334-336.

(*Præcipe quod reddat*.) See NON-TENURE.

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his father had been seised of certain common of pasture. It was pleaded in abatement that the plaintiff had himself been seised of the common, that he could have a writ in virtue of his own possession, and that the *Quod permittat* which he had brought was therefore bad. It was admitted that the plaintiff's beasts had fed on the land on which the common was claimed, which feeding was held to be seisin of the plaintiff, but he alleged that the feeding was not with his knowledge or consent, and could only have been through the escape of the beasts from those who had charge of them. The Court held that God alone could know whether the seisin was with the plaintiff's knowledge and intention, or not, but as the seisin was confessed, and a writ of Novel Disseisin lay in respect of it, the writ abated, 390-396.

(*Scire facias* on Fine.) The writ must be in accordance with the fine, and when so in accordance will not abate by reason of a variance between it and a *Mittimus* by which it has been sent into the Common Bench from the Chancery, or between it and a *Certiorari* by which it has been removed into the Chancery, when there is less in the *Mittimus* or *Certiorari* than in the fine. Nor will it abate because a hamlet is described in it as a vill, when the description is the same in the fine, 2-12.

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Where the form of the fine has been that A. acknowledged rent to be the right of B., as that which B. and his wife C., being seised, had by A.'s gift, for B. and C. to hold to them and the heirs of B., the fine is not executory after the death of A. and C. and a *Scire facias* brought by B. will abate, 466-468.

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In Annuity the plaintiff claimed against a Prior as parson of a particular church, showing that the annuity commenced with the consent of the patron and the Ordinary. The Prior prayed aid of himself as patron, and of

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the Ordinary. It was granted, although the Prior held the church *in proprios usus* (and so could be a party to charge or discharge it), because he was entitled to have aid of the Ordinary, and could not have that without aid of the patron, 470–472.

Where a Bishop brought a writ of Entry *sine assensu Capituli* against a prebendary, the latter pleaded that he held the land in right of his prebend, which was of the patronage of the same Bishop, and prayed aid of him as patron, and of him and the Dean and Chapter as Ordinary. It was held that the tenant could not have aid of the Bishop because the Bishop was demandant, and that, as he could not have aid of the Ordinary without having aid of the patron, he could not have aid at all, 518–520.

AID OF THE KING :

The Prior and Convent of an alien Priory had granted an annuity to a certain person until he should be provided with an ecclesiastical benefice. Upon the outbreak of war with the French the King seized the possessions of the Priory into his hand. He afterwards, however, committed the possessions of the Priory (except knights' fees and advowsons), to the Prior, who had succeeded the grantor, at a certain rent *per annum*, and on condition that he should pay all the charges which were due from the House. The annuitant subsequently brought a writ of Annuity

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Though, as a general rule, delays are not allowed in cases of *Nuper obiit* or Novel Disseisin, yet aid of the King is allowed when he might otherwise lose his wardship, and that even when he has leased the wardship to another, 404.

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When it is pleaded that tenements are Ancient Demesne, it must be stated that they are parcel of some particular manor, or that they are in some particular vill. If, however, it is stated that the whole of a Hundred is Ancient Demesne, and that the vill in which the tenements are is within that Hundred, the demandant must answer, and issue will be taken on the question whether the Hundred is Ancient Demesne, or not, 320–322.

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Where the annuity was to continue only until the plaintiff should be advanced to a suitable benefice, and the defendant pleaded that a vicarage had been tendered to him at a certain place, that he had refused it, and that so the annuity was extinguished, the plaintiff denied that the vicarage had been offered to him at the place mentioned. The averment touching the place was not admitted, and the plaintiff had to deny the tender of the vicarage, as alleged, but, upon issue joined, the *Venire* was for a jury from the neighbourhood of the place mentioned, 380–382.

Where the annuity was to continue only until the plaintiff should be advanced to a suitable benefice, and the defendant pleaded that a certain vicarage had been tendered to him and that he had refused it, he objected that the value of the vicarage had not been stated so as to show that there had been a suitable tender for the purpose of extinguishing the annuity. It was held, however, that it was for the plaintiff to show that

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Where an action of Wardship was brought by the Prince of Wales, and issue was joined in respect of land in Cornwall, the array of jurors was challenged on the ground that the Sheriff was appointed by the Prince, whose robes he bore, and that the panel had been returned by him on the nomination of persons who were of the Prince's counsel. The challenge was found to be true by triers. Judgment was given that the panel should be destroyed, and a new *Venire* was then sent to the Coroners of the County, 319, note 1.

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Isabella, cognisance of pleas within the precinct of a manor within which the town was, that she had granted the same franchise to them, and that her grant had been confirmed by the King. A Prior then intervened, alleging that he was mesne lord holding of the Queen, and the so-called Mayor and Bailiffs were his tenants and not the Queen's, and that therefore they could not be in possession of the franchise. The grant to the Queen, however, related to all those who were resiant within the precinct of the manor, and not exclusively to her tenants, and it was held that if wrong had been done to any one by the King's grant it could not be redressed in the Common Bench, and that the Prior had no *locus standi*. The parties in the action were asked whether they could show any cause why the cognisance should not be allowed, and said they could not. Judgment was given with the assent of the whole Council that the Mayor and Bailiffs should have the cognisance, 98–112.

Where cognisance of a plea of *Qui in vita* had been allowed to the Mayor and Bailiffs of a city in whose court judgment was afterwards given, one of the parties sued a writ of Attaint. Cognisance was again claimed on behalf of the same Mayor and Bailiffs, but not until after oyer had been had by the other party of the original writ of Attaint and of the record. It was held, on that ground, that the claim had been made too late, and further,

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A.'s great-aunt, B., and the descent from B. to the demandant, it was pleaded by the tenant that the tenements had, in part, descended to A. from his father and had, in part, been purchased by A. Issue was joined on the replication that the tenements had descended to the demandant from B., *absque hoc* that they had descended to A. from A.'s father, or that A. had any of them by purchase, 12-16; 17, note 1.

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CUI ANTE DIVORTIUM

A. conveys tenements to B. and C. his wife in special tail, with remainder to C.'s right heirs. After her divorce C. brings her action of *Cui ante divortium* against D., the tenant, alleging that he had not entry but after

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a demise which B. made to A. Thereupon D. pleads in bar that, after the conveyance by A. to B. and C., a fine was levied between B. and C., plaintiffs and A. deforciant, in which B. acknowledged the tenements to be the right of A., and A. granted and rendered them in special tail to B. and C., with reversion to himself quit of other heirs of B. and C.; and D. says that C. was thus restored to her original estate, and prays judgment whether she ought to have the action on any previous title of right. C. replies that the fine itself proves the alienation by B. to A., that there was no divesting of her estate by C., that she was not examined, that she was not restored to her first estate by the fine, as a lesser estate was limited therein, and that the acknowledgment of right and the alienation ought to be adjudged to be the act of B. alone, which could not prejudice C. The Court held that, as there was no seisin alleged to be in C. after the divorce, or agreement on her part, and the fine was on the acknowledgment of B., and C. was not examined, the whole must be adjudged to be the act of B. alone, just as much as if C. had not been mentioned in the fine, and judgment was given for C. to recover seisin, 72-80.

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It was pleaded that the wife had made partition with a sister, who enfeoffed the tenant of her share, which was the land in demand, and that the wife had

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thereafter no interest in it, but the alienation by the husband was not denied in the plea. It was held that the tenant must either confess and avoid the alienation or else deny it, 506-510.

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DEBT :

A plaintiff proceeded by two plaints of Debt in an inferior court, which had not jurisdiction above forty shillings, and each plaint was in respect of 39s. 11½d., and it appeared from the declaration that the two plaints were in respect of one and the same contract and debt, and though exception was taken, judgment was given for the plaintiff to recover. A writ of Error was brought in the King's Bench, where the judgment was reversed, and the plaintiff in Error had restitution, 146-148.

The action was brought as being in one county, and issue was joined in the Common Bench on a deed or writing purporting to be dated in another county, which had been produced on the one side and denied on the other. The issue was sent to be tried at *Nisi prius*, and the *Nisi prius* record was entitled as of the first county, but the *Venire* was directed to the Sheriff of the second county. The finding was for the plaintiff, for whom judgment was prayed in the Common

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Bench. It was objected that the verdict of the jurors of the second county had been taken without warrant, but the Court held that it had been properly taken, and judgment was given for the plaintiff, 204-208.

Where the action was brought on an obligation conditioned for the enfeoffment of the plaintiff by the defendant of a certain messuage and land within a certain time, the plaintiff pleaded that he had been ready to enfeoff the plaintiff within the time limited, and still was. This was held to be a good plea, though the feoffment was still unmade, 456-458.

An action was brought against a Prior on the ground that his predecessor borrowed money of the plaintiff for the purpose of maintaining the election as bishop of a monk of the Prior's House, which money was then spent for the profit of the House. The Prior pleaded that there had been no such loan, and that the Prior did not owe any money to the plaintiff, 552-554; 555, note 1.

Where the action was brought against one of the King's moneyers, he pleaded the King's charter giving jurisdiction to the Warden and Master of the Mint, but as the charter did not contain the words "not anywhere else" the cognisance of the plea by the Warden and Master was not allowed, 562.

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A writing or deed had been delivered by A. and B. to C. on condition for redelivery to A. if A. should enfeoff B., within a certain time, of certain land, and should not during the same time commit waste in lands of B. s inheritance held by A. A. brought his action against C. for redelivery. C. alleged that he did not know whether the conditions had been fulfilled, or not, and had a *Scire facias* to bring B. into court. B. then appeared, and, in answer to A.'s declaration that A. had performed the conditions, said that B. had performed the covenants on his side, but that A. had failed to perform them on his side. He was not allowed to take issue on both points, because it was sufficient for him to aver that A. had not performed the conditions. B. then tendered the averment that A. had not fulfilled the conditions, (1) because he had not enfeoffed, and (2) because he had committed waste. He was, however, put to elect on which of the two points he would take issue, as he could not have both, 198-202.

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In a plea of land brought against husband and wife both made default, and a *Cape* was awarded in respect of a moiety only of the land, instead of the whole. The demandant prayed seisin of the land. The Court held that there had been a discontinuance,

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and refused to give a judgment which would be reversible, but, on the prayer of the demandant, awarded a new *Cape* in respect of the entirety, 262-264.

DOWER :

Where the tenant pleaded that the demandant's husband had previously assigned the tenements in demand as dower to his own mother, who survived him, the demandant, not acknowledging the alleged assignment, replied that her husband was seised of the tenements in his demesne as of fee, and died so seised. It was objected that such an averment could not be accepted unless it was shown how the husband became seised, but the Court held that the averment should be accepted, 322.

It was pleaded in bar that the custom of the town in which the dower was claimed was that, if the husband died seised as of fee of tenements therein, his wife should have his capital messuage as free-bench so long as she remained unmarried, but that, if the husband sold any tenement, and the money was converted to the use of the husband and wife, she should not have dower of that tenement, and that the demandant's husband had so sold the tenements of which dower was demanded. It was replied that, as the alleged custom was out of the course of common law, no answer need be made to it, but the Court held that the demandant must answer as to whether there was such a custom, or not, and issue

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was joined on the question whether the money had come to the common benefit of the husband and wife, 348-350; 351, note 2.

The writ was brought against one who vouched to warrant. The vouchee vouched the husband's heir, who entered into warranty, as one who had nothing by descent. Judgment was prayed against the heir, but as the heir had not been vouched directly by the tenant, judgment was given that the demandant should recover against the tenant, that the tenant should recover to the value against the first vouchee, and he in turn against the heir, 372-374.

Where dower was demanded of a third part of a bailiwick (A.) which was alleged to be in B., C. and D., it was pleaded in abatement of the writ that C. and D. were only hamlets of B., and issue was joined on that plea. The demandant then prayed an answer as to that which was in B., but this could not be allowed before the issue had been tried, and there could not be any recovery by parts, 414-418.

Where the action was brought by husband and wife on the seisin of the wife's first husband, a release executed by the wife while she was sole was pleaded in bar by the tenant. The husband and wife confessed the deed, but the confession was held to be worthless because, after the husband's death, the wife would be able to deny the deed, 452.

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The tenant having vouched the late husband's son and heir and, on the appearance of the supposed vouchee, tendered the averment in the previous Trinity Term that it was not the same person, assigning diversity of father and mother, issue was joined on the replication that it was the same person. On further argument the Court held that the issue was wrongly taken, and that a *Summeas ad warrantizandum* ought to have been awarded against the person whom the tenant alleged to be the real vouchee. The issue was therefore quashed, and the *Summeas*, &c., awarded, 462-466.

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DRENGAGE :

Tenure by, 44; 45, note 4; 384.

E

EJECTMENT FROM WARDSHIP :

Process and essoin in, 160-166.

The writ is of the nature of a writ of Trespass, and if there are two defendants, one of whom appears and the other does not, the one who appears will answer in the absence of the other, and the plaintiff must count against him, 162-164.

ENTRY :

Where it was pleaded that the demandant (in respect of a disseisin effected on whose ancestor the action was brought) was a bastard, it was held that

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the plea could not be admitted if the tenant had already demanded and had view, 388.

Y., the demandant, claimed land, alleging that Z., the tenant, disseised X., who was Y.'s father; Z. pleaded in bar that X.'s father, J., after having had issue X., by his first wife, had, by a second wife, issue R., to whom he gave the land in fee simple, that, after the death of J., R. died seised without heir of his body, that X., being of the half-blood, then abated on the land as heir to J., and that Z. ousted him. Y. replied that J. gave the land to R. in fee tail, and, as Z. had admitted that R. had died without heir of his body, prayed seisin of the land (as heir to the reversioner). Issue was joined on the question whether J. gave in fee simple, or not, 480.

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ENTRY, *ad terminum qui præterit* :

The writ does not lie for an Abbot, who claims as parson of his church, in right of his church, on the seisin of his predecessor, and he has no remedy except by *Jurata utrum*, 58.

See ESSOIN.

ENTRY, *dum fuit infra ætatem* :

See COGNISANCE OF PLEAS.

ENTRY, *sine assensu Capituli* :

See ABATEMENT OF WRITS; AID.

ERROR :

See COVENANT; DEBT; EX GRAVI QUERELA.

ESSOIN :

Three days after issue joined on a writ of Entry *ad terminum qui præterit* the demandant cast an essoin, to which it was objected, firstly that he had an attorney, and secondly that he could have an essoin only on the first day after issue joined according to the statute, Westm. 2, c. 27. Both objections were overruled—the first because the attorney might have been removed, and the essoiner could not be a party to try that question, and the second because the statute did not restrain a demandant from delaying himself as long as he pleased, 160.

Where exception is taken to an essoin on the ground that the party has an attorney in the plea, and he then appears by attorney and pleads, the essoin is quashed, 166.

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EXCOMMUNICATION :

A writ of Trespass having been brought against a Bishop and others, those others produced a letter from the Bishop testifying the excommunication of the plaintiff, and the Bishop himself pleaded Not Guilty. As the Bishop, being named in the writ, was supposed to be a party to the trespass, his letter of excommunication was disallowed with regard to all, 154–156.

A writ of Prohibition, having been directed to a Bishop, was delivered to him by the King's messenger, whom the Bishop's Commissary excommunicated for having delivered it. A writ of Contempt was thereupon

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brought, in the names of the King and of the messenger, against the Commissary, to punish him for contempt of the King, and to obtain damages for the messenger. The Commissary pleaded first a disability in the person of the messenger in that he was an excommunicate, and therefore not in a position to be answered, and produced a letter from the Archbishop of Canterbury to the effect that the Archbishop had found in the Acts of the Court of Arches in London that the messenger was under various sentences of greater excommunication. The Court of Common Bench held that, as the letter did not specifically assign any other cause, the excommunication must be for the cause for which the action was brought, and that the defendant must answer. There was then a plea to the jurisdiction, on behalf of the Commissary, to the effect that the Common Bench could not have cognisance in respect of the cause of any excommunication, which must be tried and decided in Court Christian. The Court of Common Bench held that the excommunication was the ground of the action, and that (the King being a party) it could not be prosecuted in any court but the King's. The Commissary, being asked, declined to answer further, and judgment was given that his person should be taken, and that the messenger should recover damages as claimed in his declaration, 322-334; 335, note 1.

EXECUTION :

See ANCIENT DEMESNE ; STATUTE MERCHANT.

EXECUTORS :

A writ of Debt was brought by A. against B. and C., as executors of D., on a deed by which D. bound himself to A. The executor B. pleaded *Plene administravit*, but alleged, as to a portion of the estate, that it had been recovered against him in another action of Debt grounded on D.'s obligation, which he confessed. A. replied that the plaintiff in the last mentioned action of Debt was C. (B.'s co-executor), and that B.'s confession of the obligation was by collusion. It was argued for B. that he was not legally compelled to deny a deed which was true *in esse*, but the Court held that he should have pleaded that, as C. was his co-executor, C. had had administration of the goods of the deceased, which plea would have barred C. The Court then required B. to answer whether C. had had administration, or not. B. tendered the averment that C. never administered as executor, but it was held that this was no denial of administration, and that administration charged C. as executor. In the end issue was joined on the simple averment that C. did not administer, 418-424.

Where a testator mentions in his will certain persons as his executors, and certain others to be their "co-adjutors," the latter will, if they administer, be charged as executors, but they need not be mentioned in any action which is brought, 428-430.

EX GRAVI QUERELA :

A citizen having, according to the custom of his city, devised certain rent "*tanquam catalla*" to his children begotten of the body of his late wife (named), the children brought an *Ex gravi querela* against one who had entered into possession of the rent. He made default in the city court, and judgment was there given for the demandants to recover the rent and damages. The tenant, however, had nothing within the liberty of the city of which the damages could be levied. The cause was then removed into the King's Bench by *Certiorari*, and a *Scire facias* issued to warn the tenant to appear in that Court to show cause why the damages should not be levied of his goods and chattels within the bailiwick of the Sheriff of the county. The tenant appeared and alleged that there was error in the judgment of the city court, and produced a writ from the Chancery to the Justices of the King's Bench "*ad errores illos assignandum.*" The errors assigned were as follows: Whereas in the writ of *Ex gravi querela* the city court was directed to do justice to the parties "*virtute tenoris testamenti prædicti,*" no will or tenour of a will had been there produced, but only a letter from the Ordinary testifying the proof before him of the devise by a nuncupative will, while, according to the custom of the city, freehold could not be bequeathed by nuncupative will. Again, the demandants had sued by way of remainder, in which case damages ought not

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to be adjudged to them. A writ of *Scire facias* then issued to warn the demandants to hear the record and process before the Court proceeded to annul it. They appeared and prayed and had judgment of the writ on the ground of a grammatical error. They then prayed execution, but several adjournments followed without result, 114–124.

F

FALSE JUDGMENT :

A. brought a writ of Right against B. in a Court of Ancient Demesne. B. pleaded in bar that he had previously brought against A., in the same Court, a writ of Right, but making protestation that his suit was in the nature of a Formedon in the remainder, that A. traversed the gift, and that B. recovered. The Court of Ancient Demesne gave judgment for B., notwithstanding the fact that the Formedon was for the purpose of destroying the possession and not the right. This was assigned as error in the Common Bench by A. After a dilatory plea that the Court should send for a fuller record, which was over-ruled, B. pleaded that, according to the custom of the manor, where any one had recovered, on any writ, by action tried in its Court, the judgment barred the party who lost, even though he might bring a writ of Right, unless he could show a subsequent title, and B.

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tendered an averment to that effect. The Common Bench, however, held that, as the custom was not pleaded in the Court of Ancient Demesne, and no mention of it was made in the judgment, B. could not be admitted to aver the custom in order to maintain this judgment. The Common Bench, therefore, gave judgment that the judgment of the Court of Ancient Demesne should be reversed, and that A. should recover, but not as by final judgment on a writ of Right, because the mise had not been joined, 432-448.

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See ABATEMENT OF WRITS ; AID ;
RECEIPT.

FORMEDON IN THE DESCENDER :

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RANTY.

FRANK-MARRIAGE :

Nature of tenure in, 358-360.

G

GRAND ASSISE :

When not awarded on writ of
Right, 520-522.
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GUARDIAN :

If, on a *Scire facias* to have execu-
tion of a judgment in a plea of
land, the defendant appears by

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guardian, and the parol is put
without day by reason of the
non-age of the defendant, and
the plaintiff afterwards brings
a new *Scire facias*, the old
warrant of guardian is of no
avail, and, if the defendant is
called, and does not appear,
judgment is given against him,
282-284.

H

HALF-BLOOD :

See ENTRY.

J

JUDGMENT :

See NONSUIT.

JURATA UTRUM :

Where the tenant vouched to
warrant, and the vouchee made
default, the tenant alleged that
the vouchee was dead, though
the Sheriff had not so returned.
The demandant tendered the
averment that the vouchee was
alive, and the tenant offered to
prove by witnesses that he had
died in Brittany. It was held
that where an action was
brought by way of *assisa*, or of
jurata, an alleged death in a
foreign country could be tried
by the assise or the jury and not
by witnesses, but otherwise
where actions were brought by
other writs, 168-170.

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terit ; RECEIPT.

JURY-PROCESS :

Where the King and a Bishop were at issue in a *Quare impedit* brought by the King, the Bishop sued out one *Venire facias juratores*, and the King's attorney another. The Sheriff returned the *Venire* sued out by the Bishop, and refused to receive that which had been sued on behalf of the King. The Court allowed the writ returned to be disavowed on behalf of the King, and awarded an *Alias Venire*, 342.

K

KING, THE :

Charters of the. *See* AID.
No final judgment against, on writ of Right of advowson, 520-522.
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L

LIBERTY :

A Sheriff returned a Summons to the effect that the tenements in respect of which an action had been brought were within a liberty, and that he had sent to the bailiff of the liberty, who had returned that the tenant had been summoned. The cause was afterwards put without day by a Protection. The demandant sued a Re-summons, and the Sheriff again returned that he had sent to the bailiff, who returned that the tenant had nothing whereby he could be summoned. The demandant prayed that the bailiff might be

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amerced for his contrariant return, but the Court of Common Bench held that it had no power to amerce the bailiff, because he was not an officer of that Court, but they granted a *Non omittas propter libertatem* to be directed to the Sheriff, 156.

Where the lord of a liberty (A.) has the franchise of having the execution of writs by his bailiff, and the bailiff, in accordance with the precept from the Sheriff, proceeds to distrain, within the liberty, one of the residents, for the King's debt, but is interrupted by another person (B.), the latter commits a trespass, *vi et armis*, and A. will recover damages against B. It is no justification for B. to allege that he has, within the liberty, a manor in which there is a custom that, whenever the bailiff of the liberty effects any distress for the Green Wax, or other money owing to the King, upon any tenant of the manor, the bailiff ought to take the distress to B.'s pound within the manor to remain there for three days and nights, so that, if the tenant pays the money within the time, he can have his beasts quit, because such a custom could not be any profit to B., but rather the reverse, 522-538 ; 539, note 1.

M

MAINPRISE :

One who sued out a writ of *Audita querela*, for the purpose of staying execution on a statute

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merchant, could not be let out on mainprise after issue had been joined, but was delivered to the Sheriffs of London to be taken back to Newgate by them, because he had come out of the prison to prosecute his suit only in virtue of a writ of *Habeas corpus*, 428.

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MESNE :

The liability to acquit of services was alleged by the plaintiff to be in virtue of a fine by which the defendant's ancestor undertook that he and his heirs should acquit a feoffee and his heirs of all services in consideration of an annual rent of one penny. The plaintiff, though holding the estate of the feoffee by subsequent conveyances, was not his heir, and it was objected that the defendant was therefore not bound to acquit him. It was, however, argued that the liability to acquit was acknowledged in the fine as being perpetual, and in the end the defendant confessed it, 350-366; 367, note 3.

The writ lies for tenant by the curtesy of England, and process thereon, as in the case of other tenants, 406-412.

Proceedings in, where in a previous action of like nature judgment had been given that the defendant was bound to acquit the plaintiff of services, but the defendant had not acquitted, though many times requested by the plaintiff, 500-506.

MINT, THE :

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MITTIMUS :

The writ of is not essential for the delivery of a document in the Court of Common Pleas, as the Chancellor may deliver it in person, without any writ, 6.

MONEYERS, THE KING'S :

See MINT.

MORT D'ANCESTOR:

Where the assise was brought against two persons who vouched, and the Sheriff returned that the vouchee had nothing, the tenants were called in Court, and one of them appeared, but the other did not. The plaintiff prayed seisin of the land, and the assise in respect of damages, but the Court awarded the assise at large, 370-372.

N

NAIFTY :

When the demandant in a writ of Naifty has been non-suited, after appearance, final judgment will be given in favour of the *nativus* as between him and the demandant; and the *nativus* will be a free man for ever with regard to the demandant, and his heirs, or successors, 468.

NISI PRIUS :

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NONSUIT :

Where a writ has been brought against several persons by several *Præcipes*, and the demandant has been nonsuited at *Nisi prius* with regard to one of the

NONSUIT—*cont.*

Præcipes, and the other tenants, having a day in the Common Bench, are essoined, and the essoiners claim that the demandant is nonsuited because a nonsuit with regard to one is a nonsuit with regard to all, the Court holds otherwise, 138.

Where a verdict had passed against a tenant, at *Nisi prius*, and the demandant did not appear on the day which the parties had in the Common Bench, judgment was given not on the nonsuit, but on the verdict, 172.

A writ was brought against two persons by different *Præcipes*, and one of them vouched to warrant, and the other traversed the action. The demandant was non-suited with regard to the latter, and the one who vouched was subsequently essoined, and had a day by the essoin. It was held that the nonsuit applied only to the one who had traversed, and not to the one who had vouched and been essoined, 376–378.

NON-TENURE :

In a *Præcipe quod reddat* the tenant pleaded, in abatement of the writ, that another and not he held a portion of the land demanded. The demandant replied that the tenant was tenant of the entirety of the tenements put in view, and tendered an averment to that effect. It was argued on behalf of the tenant, that the replication was not good, as it should relate to the tenements demanded, and not to those put in view. It was held by the Court that the replication was good because,

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after view had been had, the demand could be understood to be only of that which had been put in view, and issue was taken on the averment, 252–258.

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An assise was brought by an Abbot and it was found by verdict that he had been seised and disseised, but that since the disseisin he had, under threats, and duress (which duress, however, did not affect his person) executed a release of the tenements to the defendant. After adjournment into the King's Bench, the matter was brought before the Council, in the presence of all the Justices, who quashed the whole proceedings, because the release had not been produced in Court or pleaded, and it therefore did not fall within the cognisance of the jurors of the assise to enquire of it, or to mention it, 125–127.

Where there are several defendants, and one of them (A.) pleads, as to a moiety, a deed of the plaintiff's ancestor in bar, and the plaintiff replies as to that moiety that A. is not tenant, but that B. is tenant, and issue is joined on that question, and the assise finds that A. is tenant, the plaintiff is barred as to that moiety, 128–138.

An assise was brought by husband and wife (A. and B.) against C. and D. in respect of two thirds of 5 marks of rent. On D.'s default, C. was admitted to defend his right, as being in reversion after the death of D., who held a third part in dower, the reversion having been granted to him by D.'s previous

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husband E. The plea of C. in bar was that F. formerly lord of the barony of G., was seised of the tenements out of which the rent issued, as of parcel of the barony, and held of the King *in capite*. F., as alleged, in the reign of Edward I. enfeoffed H., in fee, of the tenements, to hold of F. by fealty and the service of one penny *per annum*. On H.'s death his son I. entered and rendered the services to F., as afterwards did I.'s son K., on I.'s death. After K.'s entry it was found by inquisition before the Escheator, in the reign of Edward III., that H., I., and K. had entered by purchase, without having obtained the King's license, and Edward III. caused the tenements to be seised into his hand. K. then, after paying a fine, had a grant from the King to the effect that he should have restitution of the tenements, and should hold them of the King in fee by the accustomed services. Afterwards K., with the King's license, enfeoffed C., the defendant, of the tenements in fee, to hold of the King and his heirs, and C. did homage, and rendered the other services to the King. C. further alleged that F. granted the rent of one penny and the service of H. to L. in fee, that H. attorned to L., that, after L.'s death, his son and heir M. was seised of the services, which after his death descended to his three daughters, N., O., and P., and that N. had issue B., who was plaintiff, with her husband A. On these alleged facts C. prayed judgment

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whether A. and B. ought to have an assise in respect of rent issuing from tenements held of the King *in capite*. The plaintiffs (without admitting that the tenements were part of the barony or the other allegations) replied that a certain F., the elder, in the time of Henry III., and before the 20th year of his reign, enfeoffed one H. of the tenements in fee, to hold of F. and his heirs by homage, fealty, and the service of 5 marks *per annum*, and afterwards, but still before the year 20 Henry III., granted the services to one Q. at an annual rent of one penny, to be paid to F. and his heirs, and that H. attorned to Q. The services, including the 5 marks of rent, then descended successively to Q.'s son R. and to R.'s son S. Afterwards S. granted the services of H. to L. in fee, and H. attorned to L. On the death of H. his son T. entered the tenements, and attorned to L. in respect of the 5 marks and other services. After L.'s death the services descended to his son M., and after M.'s death to M.'s daughters N., O., and P., who made partition of the tenements which came to them from M. The rent of 5 marks was assigned to the purparty of N. She, being seised, endowed M.'s widow U., of a third part of the rent of 5 marks. After N.'s death, B. was seised, together with A., her husband, of two thirds of the rent, as daughter and heir of N., until C. and D. tortiously disseised them. The replication concludes

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with a traverse of the statement that F., mentioned in the plea, or any other person of that name, was seised of the tenements as parcel of the barony of C. in the time of Edward III., and with a prayer that the assise might be taken.

C. rejoined that A. and B. had not denied that the tenements were part of the barony of G., held of the King *in capite*, nor that they had been seized into the King's hand because they had been aliened without the King's license. As to the allegation of A. and B. that F. the elder had enfeoffed H. of the tenements to hold of F. by certain services, including the rent of five marks, in the time of Henry III., C. alleged that neither F. nor any other person could at that or any other time enfeoff any one, to hold of himself, of any tenements holden of the King's progenitors *in capite*, because in such case the feoffee became the immediate tenant of the King, and the tenements so aliened became entirely discharged of all services reserved by the feoffor. Therefore C. said, the time of feoffment made by F. could not rightly better the title of the plaintiffs, and he had no need to answer to it, and prayed judgment.

To this the plaintiffs pleaded that, inasmuch as C. did not deny that F. the elder enfeoffed H. in the time of Henry III. to hold of F. by the rent of 5 marks, &c., and did not maintain that F. the elder, or any other F., was seised of the tenements and aliened them in the time of

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Edward I., and inasmuch as C. alleged nothing in destruction of their title except by asserting that no one who held any tenements of the King *in capite* before the 20th year of the reign of Henry III. could enfeoff another to hold tenements of himself without the feoffee becoming the immediate tenant of the King, the plaintiffs understood that it was permissible for persons holding tenements of the King's progenitors *in capite* to alien them to be held of themselves. And, inasmuch as C. did not deny the seisin of the plaintiffs, they prayed judgment, and the taking of the assise in respect of damages.

At this stage the assise was adjourned into the Common Bench, *propter difficultatem*, and there the pleadings were repeated. It was remarked by Willoughby, J., that before the statute *De Prærogativa Regis*, any one holding of the King by barony could enfeoff another to hold of himself by other services, and would yet continue to hold of the King by barony as before, and that in this case the alienation, if made in the time of Henry III., was good. An averment was tendered on behalf of C. that the alienation was in the time of Edward I. and not of Henry III., but the tender came too late, as C. had already pleaded to judgment.

The judgment was as follows:—

“ After hearing the record aforesaid and considering the statements of the parties, it has appeared to the Court, notwithstanding the statements of the

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aforementioned C. above alleged, that proceeding must be had to the taking of the assise. Therefore let the assise be taken. And it is sent back to the aforesaid Justices of Assise to be taken in the county aforesaid, &c., together with the record thereof, and the original writ, and the panel, &c.," 220-246; 239, note 1.

An assise having been brought before Justices of Assise, against several persons, one of them, A., pleaded, in the absence of the others, as their bailiff, that they had committed no wrong and no disseisin, and issue was joined to the assise on that plea.

A. then, as tenant of the tenements put in view, pleaded, in bar of the assise, a fine to which the plaintiff's ancestor was a party, and alleged that he (A.) had the ancestor's estate. The plaintiff replied that A. was not tenant, but that B. (one of those on whose behalf A. had pleaded as bailiff) was tenant. A. rejoined that he was tenant, as before stated, and issue was thereupon joined, and the Justices gave judgment that the assise should be taken on that point.

Before the assise had been taken, but after the judgment of "*Assisa capiatur*," and on the same day, B. appeared in person and asserted that he was, as the plaintiff had asserted, tenant in virtue of the gift and feoffment of A. and pleaded the same fine in bar of the assise. The plaintiff prayed judgment whether B. ought to be admitted to this plea, as the assise had already been awarded

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with respect to him, on his previous plea by bailiff, and said that B. could not be called a second time in Court on the same day, after having failed to appear the first time.

The Justices of Assise nevertheless gave judgment that the assise should be taken "*super premissis*." The assise found that A. was not tenant and that B. was tenant. The Justices of Assise then asked the jurors whether the plaintiff had been seised and disseised, and they said that certain others of the defendants had disseised him "*vi et armis*," and assessed his damages. The plaintiff then prayed judgment on the verdict and there was an adjournment into the Common Bench.

That Court held that, when it was found that B. was tenant, the Justices of Assise ought to have stayed the taking of the assise in point of assise until they had given judgment whether he had appeared in time to have his plea in bar admitted, and that by enquiring as to the seisin and disseisin they had forjudged him of his plea, but that judgment must be given on the verdict as found. Judgment was accordingly given for the plaintiff to recover seisin and damages, but it was regarded as subject to reversal by writ of Error, 268-282.

The assise being brought against husband and wife, they pleaded that the plaintiff had had execution of the lands on a statute merchant executed by the husband, and had subsequently granted back to them the estate

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which he had in virtue of the statute by an indenture with the condition that if they should pay him a certain sum before a certain date, the statute and the execution of it should be annulled, and that the husband had duly paid the money. For the plaintiff it was pleaded that the money paid was for a debt other than that mentioned in the indenture, but he was unable to produce any other obligation, and alleged that he had delivered it over by way of acquittance. The Court held that as he could not produce the obligation or anything to show that the payment related to anything not mentioned in the indenture, he should take nothing by his writ, 448-450.

The plaintiff being an infant, his father's release, dated in a county other than that in which the assise was brought, was pleaded in bar. The jurors found that it was not the ancestor's deed, and judgment was given for the plaintiff to recover seisin. It was said, however, that the decision was wrong, because the jurors could not know whether the deed was that of the plaintiff's ancestor or not, 540.

Where an assise was brought before Justices of Assise in respect of rent, the defendant pleaded in bar the plaintiff's release of all actions and demands both real and personal. The plaintiff alleged that at the time of the execution of the release, and before, and after, she was seised of the rent. The cause was adjourned into the

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Common Bench, *propter difficultatem*, and the plaintiff did not appear, but it was thought that she was barred by the word "*demandas*" in the deed, 556-560; 561, note 4.

In respect of twenty cart-loads of wood, to be taken in one hundred acres of wood, and pleadings thereon, 564-566.

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