1674, that a brother nor no other in linea collaterali could be convened as successor titulo lucrativo post contractum debitum, but only he who was alioqui successurus necessario, and not only probabiliter. See February 1670, Whitefoord; and February 1674, Lothians.

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ANENT MULTURE of BEAR.

I saw a decision dated 3d July 1673, Oliphant against Oliphant, where the Lords found that bear behoved to pay multure, though it tholed not fire and water.

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1678. December 20. The Town of Glasgow against Shaw of Greenock.

In the action between the Town of Glasgow and Shaw of Greenock, the Lords having considered the Act of Parliament 1672, Anent the Privileges of Burghs Royal, They found, if the royal burghs do not seize the unfree goods, they can have no action for the value of what they can prove was sold and vented by unfree-men, unless they had either apprehended them, or used arrestment; in which last case, though the said unfree commodities be out of their hands, or consumed, yet the Lords will hold the unfree-men pro possessoribus, quia dolo desierunt possidere.

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1679. January 1. Murray of Skirling against Mr Buchan, his Minister.

The Lords, upon occasion of a bill given in by Murray of Skirling against Mr Buchan his minister, in a process between them, made an act of sederunt anent the clerks their minuting of defences, viz. to pass over all dilatory defences, unless they be sustained, and to write all immediately upon the process, and not upon scrolls and books apart, out of which they afterwards extend them. This act was thought impracticable; and by this way it cannot be known what was competent and omitted, and what was repelled.

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Anent Pactions contra fidem Tabularum Nuptialium.

ANENT Pactions contra fidem tabularum nuptialium,—see June 1677, f. 288, and Donald Fouler's case, in Mack. Observ. on Act 21, Parliament 1621.

A bond granted by a wife after a contract of marriage, or proclamation of banns, is reputed stante matrimonio: as was found in Lady Bute's case; ergo, a bond granted by her future spouse to her at that time is in pari casu. See June 4, 1679, Ewart. 2do, Bonds granted inter sponsum et sponsam in æstro amoris, are more to be reputed donations, and more exorbitant than what are given after the marriage; there being a greater eclipse of the use of reason at that time then afterwards. 3tio, It is contra fidem tabularum nuptialium. Anent donations inter virum et uxorem, see Durie, 17th July 1632, L. Borthwick; et infra, 18th December 1679, de Pacto Proxenetico; and 8th January 1680, Raeth.