been for heriot service, for that cattle are distrainable. Barnes 148.

Nonsuit in replevin; avowant executed a writ of inquiry, after a writ of second deliverance, and good. Wilf. Rep. C. B. 116,

Barnes 426.

GEORGE the third, by the grace of Recordari fa-God, of Great Britain, France, and Ireland, cias loquelam. king, defender of the faith, &c. To the sheriff of Esex, greeting. We command you, that in your tull county you cause the Cursitor plaint to be recorded, which is the same county, without our writ, between Richard Knightsbridge, and John White, and William Sell, of the cattle, goods and chattels of the said Richard, taken and unjustly detained as it is said, and that you have the said record before our justices at Westminster, from Easter day in sifteen days under your seal, and the seals of four lawful knights of the same county, of such as shall be present at the said record, and that you prefix the same day to the parties, that then they may be there ready to proceed in the said plaint as shall be just; and have you there the names of the said four knights, and this writ. Witness ourself at Westminster the sixth day of March in the seventh year of our reign. Let execution be done of this writ, if the said Richard desire it, otherwise not.

Browne.

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The return.

By virtue of this writ to me directed in my full county court, held for the county of Essex or Chelmsford in the county aforesaid, the one and thirtieth day of March in the year within mentioned, I caused the plaint between the parties within named to be recorded, and have that record ready before the justices of our lord the king at Westminster at the day within mentioned, under my seal, and the seals of Richard Cox, Charles Tabor, Henry Burdock, and Samuel Barwick, four lawful knights of the same county, who were present at the recording the said plaint; and I have prefixed the same day to the said parties, that they be then before the said justices of our sovereign lord the king at Westminster, to proceed therein according to justice as by the same writ I am commanded.

The rest of the execution of this writ appears in a certain schedule to the said writ

annexed.

The answer of James Hannol, esq; sheriff.

Essex, A T my county court held at to wit. I Chelmsford in the county afore-said, the fifth day of February in the year of our Lord 1739, (among other things) it is thus recorded.

Richard Knightsbridge complains of John White, and William Sell, of a plea of taking and unjustly detaining of his cattle, goods and chattels, &c.

Tohn Mansfield of Hofier Lane, London, watch-spring maker.

Pleges to prosecute, John Besuth of Stratford Langthorne in the county of Essex, [ gardener.

Thomas Bowes, esq; sheriff.

GEORGE the third, by the grace of Pone in re-God, of Great Britain, France, and Ireland, plevin. king, defender of the faith, &c. To the sheriff of Essex, greeting. Put by sureties and safe pledges, John White and William Sell, that they be before our justices at Westminster, from the day of the holy Trinity in three weeks, to answer to Richard Knightsbridge of a plea wherefore they took the cattle, goods and chattels of the said Richard, and them unjustly detained against gages and pledges, as he faith, and to shew, wherefore they have not appeared in our court before our justices at Westminster, from Easter day in fifteen days last past, as the day prefixed to them; and have you there the names of the pledges and this writ. Witness Sir William De Grey, knt. at Westminster, the 29th day of May in the 7th year of our reign. Boycott. 6 June 1777. R. by R.

# COSTS for PLAINTIFF in RE-

#### Hilary Vacation, 1778.

|                        | Out of Pocket |    |   |   | Agent | 1 | Attorney |   |   |
|------------------------|---------------|----|---|---|-------|---|----------|---|---|
| Instructions and war-  | 1.            |    |   | 1 | 5.    |   | 1        |   |   |
| rant to fue            | 0             | 0  | 0 | 0 | 2     | 2 | 0        | 4 | 4 |
| Attending execution of |               |    |   | Ì |       |   |          | · | • |
| the replevin bond      | 0             | Ο, | 0 | 0 | 1     | 8 | 0        | 3 | 4 |
| Paid sheriff for same  | I             | I  | 0 | İ | I     | 0 | I        | I | Ö |

#### Easter Term following.

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|-------------------------|---|----|-----|----|----|---|---|------|-----|
| Paid entring plaint     | O | 3  | o ( | O  | 3  | 0 | Ð | 3    | ð   |
| Attending county court  | Ð | 0  | 0   | 0  | 1  | 8 | 0 | 3    | 4   |
| Searching for Recordari | 0 | 0  | 0   | 0  | I  | 8 | 0 | 3    | 4   |
| Declaration fo. 3       | 0 | 0  | O   | 0  | 1  | 6 | 0 | 3    | Ö   |
| Engrossing duty, war-   |   |    |     |    |    |   |   |      |     |
| rant, &c.               | 0 | 0  | 3   | 0  | I  | I | 0 | 1    | II  |
| Entry on Roll           | 0 |    | 0   |    |    | _ |   | I    |     |
| Rule to avow            | Ø | 1  | 10  | 0  | 2  | 2 | 0 | 2    | б   |
| Searching for and draw- |   |    |     |    |    |   |   |      |     |
| ing avowry              | O | 0  | 0   | Θ  | 2  | 8 | 0 | 5    | 4   |
| Copy avowry fo. 10      | O | 0  | 0   | 0  | I  | 8 | 0 | 3    | 4   |
| Paid advising with      |   |    |     |    |    |   |   |      | •   |
| council thereon, and on |   |    |     |    |    |   |   |      |     |
| plea in bar             | 0 | 10 | 6   | 0  | 10 | 6 | 0 | 10   | 6   |
| Attending him           |   | Q  | 0   | lo | I  | 8 | 0 | 3    | 4   |
|                         |   |    |     |    |    | , | • | Sear | cha |

| in the Court of                    | of Common Pleas. |         |      |    |      |     |        |                      | 47              |
|------------------------------------|------------------|---------|------|----|------|-----|--------|----------------------|-----------------|
|                                    | Ou               | t of Po | cket |    | Agen | t - | }      | Attori               | ıe <del>y</del> |
| Searching for rule to plead in bar | l.               | s.      | d.   | l. | 5.   | d.  | l.     | 5.                   | đ.              |
| plead in bar                       | 0                | 0       | 0    | 0  | I    | 8   | 0      | 3                    | 4               |
| Summons to amend de-               |                  |         |      | 1  |      |     |        |                      |                 |
| claration                          | 0                | 2       | 0    | 0  | 2    | 0   | 9      | 2                    | Q               |
| Copy and service                   | 0                | 0       | 0    | Ó  | 1    | 0   | 0      | 2                    | Ø               |
| Attending thereon                  | 0                | 0       | 0    | 0  | I    | 8   | 0      | 3                    | 4               |
| Order, copy and ser-               |                  |         |      |    |      |     |        |                      |                 |
| vice                               | 0                | 2       | 0    | 0  | 3    | 0   | 0      | 4                    | 0               |
| Appointment to tax                 |                  |         |      |    |      |     | •      |                      |                 |
| costs, copy, and ser-              |                  |         |      |    |      |     |        |                      |                 |
| vice                               | O                | 2       | 0    | 0  | 3    | 0   | Q      | <b>4</b><br><b>3</b> | 0               |
| Taxing fame                        | 0                | 0       | 0    | 0  | I    | 8   | 0      | 3                    | 4               |
| Paid costs of amend-               |                  | _       | ļ    |    |      | ł   | !<br>! | _                    |                 |
| ment                               | 0                | 18      | 0    | 0  | 18   | 0   | 0      | 18                   | ø               |
| Attending to amend                 |                  |         |      |    |      | - } |        |                      |                 |
| declaration and to                 |                  |         |      |    |      |     |        |                      |                 |
| pay costs taxed                    | 0                | 0       | 0    | 0  | I    | 8   | 0      | 3                    | 4               |
| Term, fee, letters,                | _                |         |      |    |      |     |        |                      | _               |
| &c.                                | 0                | 0       | O¦   | 0  | 3    | 6   | 0      | 7                    | Ø               |

### Trinity Term, 1778.

| New rule to avow         | 0 | 1  | 10 | 0 | 2      | 2 | O  | 2  | 6 |  |
|--------------------------|---|----|----|---|--------|---|----|----|---|--|
| Searching for and de-    |   |    |    |   |        |   |    |    |   |  |
| manding avowry           | 0 | 0  | 0  | Ó | 2<br>1 | 8 | 0  | 5  | 4 |  |
| Copy avowry, fo.,10      | 0 | 0  | 0  | 0 | 1      | 8 | O. | 3  | 4 |  |
| Searching for rule to    |   |    |    |   |        |   |    |    |   |  |
| plead in bar             | 0 | 0  | 0  | 0 | I      | 8 | O  | 3  | 4 |  |
| Plea in bar, fo. 6       | 0 | 0  | Q  | 0 | 1<br>3 | 0 | 0  | 6  | 0 |  |
| Fee to council for sign- |   |    | Ì  |   | •      |   |    |    |   |  |
| ing same                 | 0 | 10 | 6  | 0 | 10     | 6 | 0, | 10 | 6 |  |
| <del></del>              |   |    |    |   |        |   |    |    |   |  |

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|---|----|--------|-------|----|------|----|---|--------|-----------------|
| Attending him for that                    | l. | 5.     | d.    | 1. | 5.   | d. | 6 |        | d.              |
| <u>purpofe</u>                            | 0  | 0      | 0     | 0  | I    |    | • |        | 4               |
| Engroffing and duty                       | 0  | 0      | 3     | 0  | I    | 3  | 0 | 2      | 3               |
| Paid for entry                            | 0  | 4      | 0     | 0  | 4    | 0  | 0 | 4      | Ö               |
| Paid for rule to reply                    | 0  | I      | 10    | 0  | 2    | 2  | 0 | 2      | 6               |
| Searching for and de-                     |    |        |       |    |      |    |   |        |                 |
| manding replication                       | 0  | Ø      | 0     | 0  | 2    | 8  | 0 | 5      | 4.              |
| Copy replication                          | O  | 0      | 0     | O, | Ŏ    | 6  | Ö | I      | ó               |
| Searching for rule to                     |    |        |       |    |      |    |   |        |                 |
| rejoin                                    | 0  | 0      | 0     | 0  | I    | 8  | 0 | 3      | 4.              |
| Demurrer to replica-                      |    |        |       | }  |      |    |   |        |                 |
| tion, fo. 3                               | 0  | 0      | 0     | 0  | I    | 6  | 0 | 3      | O               |
| Fee to council for sign-                  |    |        |       |    |      | į  |   | J      |                 |
| ing                                       | ò  | 10     | 6     | 0  | IÒ   | 6  | 0 | 10     | 6               |
| Attending him thereon                     | 0  | 0      | 0     | 0  | 1    | 8  | 0 | 3      | 4.              |
| Engrossing and duty                       |    | 0      | 3     | 0  | 0    | 9  | Ó | I      | 2               |
| Paid entring demurrer                     | 0  | 2      | 0     | 0  | 2    | 0  | o | 2      | 0               |
| Rule to rejoin in de-                     |    |        |       |    |      |    |   |        |                 |
| murrer                                    | 0  | I      | 10    | 0  | 2    | 2  | 0 | 2      | 6               |
| Searching for and de-                     |    |        | 1     |    |      | 1  |   |        |                 |
| manding joinder                           | 0  | 0      | 0     | 0  | I    | 8  | 0 | 3      | 4.              |
| manding joinder<br>Term fee, letters, &c. | 0  | 0      | ol    | 0. | 3    | 6  | 0 | 7      | ò               |

Costs for Defendant in Replevin, on stat. 11 Geo. II. chap. 19. sect. 21. which orders double costs to be paid by Plaintiff, on his being non-suited, &c.

|   | Out of Packet |    |    |    | Agent | :  | Attorney |    |     |
|---|---------------|----|----|----|-------|----|----------|----|-----|
| Attending in Bell Lane,  Paddington, and making a distress on the goods of James  Agate the tenant, | 1.            | 5. | d. | 1. | S.    | d. | 2.       | 5. | đ.  |
| notice thereof with inventory  Two fair copies of in-   | 0             | 0  | 0  | 0  | 10    | 6  | I        | I  | ·Ò  |
| ventory, to serve and keep Searching at sheriff's office whether reple-                             | Ο,            | 0  | O  | 0  | 3     | 4. | 0        | б  | 8   |
| vin brought, when found there was Paid man for four days  | 0             | 0  | 0  | 0  | I     | 8  | 0        | 3  | 4   |
| possession and board 3s. 6d. a day*  In sheriff's court.  | 0             | 14 | C  | 0  | 14    | C  | 0        | 14 | · O |

<sup>\*</sup> If man does not find himself in board, he is intitled to only 21. 6d. a day.

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## Trinity Vacation, 1779.

| -                     | Cut of Pocket |    |    |    | Ag n       | Attorney |    |    |    |
|-----------------------|---------------|----|----|----|------------|----------|----|----|----|
| Instructions and war- | 1.            | 5. | d. | 1. | <i>S</i> . | d.       | 1. | 5. | d. |
| rant to defend        | 0             | 0  | Ó  | 0  | 2          | 2        | 0  | 4. | 4  |
| Entring appearance    |               | 2  |    |    | 3          | •        |    |    | •  |
| Searching for bail    | 0             | 0  | 0  |    | ì          | _        |    | 3  | •  |
| Letrers, &c.          | 0             | 0  | 1  |    | 0          |          |    | I  | •  |
| In this court         |               |    | ţ  | •  |            |          |    | _  | 4  |

## Michaelmas Term, following.

| Precipe for Re. Fa. Lo.  |   |    |    |   |                     |   | 1 |    |    |
|--------------------------|---|----|----|---|---------------------|---|---|----|----|
| to remove plaintiff      |   |    |    |   |                     |   |   |    |    |
| and copy                 | 0 | 0  | 0  | 0 | .0                  | 6 | 0 | J  | 0  |
| Paid cursitor for same   | 0 | 4  |    |   | 4                   |   |   | 4  | _  |
| Fee thereon              | 0 | 0  | 0  | 0 | Í                   | 8 | j | •  | 1  |
| Attending sheriff there- |   |    |    |   |                     | • |   | J  | 4  |
| with, and for return     | 0 | 0  | 0  | 0 | I                   | 8 |   | 2  | 1. |
| Paid sheriff for return, |   |    |    |   |                     |   |   | 5  | 7  |
| and for summoning        |   |    |    |   |                     |   |   |    |    |
| defendant                | 0 | 14 | 6  | 0 | 14                  | 6 | 0 | 14 | 6  |
| Returning and filing     |   | ,  |    | _ | - 7                 | ļ |   | *4 | Ū  |
| Re. Fa. Lo. with fi-     |   |    |    |   |                     |   |   |    |    |
| lacer                    | 0 | 2  | 0  | 0 | 2                   | 6 | 0 | 3  | 6  |
| Entring appearance       | 0 | 2  |    |   |                     |   |   |    | 10 |
| Rule to declare          | 0 | I  | 10 | 0 | <b>4</b> . <b>2</b> | 2 | Ö | 2  | 6  |
| Letters, &c.             | 0 | 0  | 0  |   |                     | 6 |   |    | 0  |
|                          |   |    | 1  |   |                     | , | - | -  |    |

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## Hilary Term, 1779.

|                          | Out of Pocket |    |    |    | Agen | t  | Attorney   |        |    |
|--------------------------|---------------|----|----|----|------|----|------------|--------|----|
| Searching for and de-    | l.            | 5. | d. | 1. | 5.   | d. | l.         | s.     | đ. |
| manding declaration      | 0             | 0  | 0  | 0  | 2    | 8  | 0          | 5      | 4  |
| Judgment of Non-pros.    | 0             | 0  | 0  | 0  | I    | 6  | 0          | 3      | 0  |
| Paid for stamp           | 0             | 5  | I  | 0  | 5    | I  | 0          | 5      | I  |
| Entry on roll            | 0             | 0  | O  | ၁  | Ö    | 6  | 0          | i      | 0  |
| Paid prothonotary fign-  |               |    |    |    |      |    |            | _      |    |
| ing judgment             | 0             | 6  |    |    |      |    |            | 6      |    |
| Writ of retorn. habend.  | 0             | 3  | 2  | ၁  | 5    | 10 | 0          | 8      | 6  |
| Attending sheriff there- |               |    |    |    |      |    | <br> -<br> |        |    |
| with, and for return     | 0             | 0  | 0  | 0  | I    | 8  | 0          | 3      | 4  |
| Paid for return, " elon- |               |    |    |    |      |    |            |        |    |
| gata"                    | 0             | 3  | 4  | 0  | 3    | 4  | 0          | 3<br>I | 4  |
| Paid filing same         | 0             | I  | 0  | 0  | I    | 0  | 0          | I      | 0  |
| Term fee (Non-pros       |               |    |    |    |      |    |            |        |    |
| signed)                  | Q             | 0  | 0  | ၁  | 3    | 4  | 0          | 6<br>2 | 8  |
| Letters, &c.             | 0             | 0  | 0  | 3  | í    | 0  | 0          | 2      | 0  |

## Proceedings on Replevin Bond.

#### Easter Term, 1778.

| Instructions and war- |   |     | : | ļ. |   |   |   |   |    |
|-----------------------|---|-----|---|----|---|---|---|---|----|
| rant to proceed on    |   |     | i |    |   |   |   |   |    |
| recognizance of bail  | 0 | 0   | 0 | 0  | 2 | 2 | 0 | 4 | 4  |
| Attending sheriff for |   |     |   |    |   |   | • |   |    |
| licence to proceed,   |   |     | 1 |    |   | ļ |   |   |    |
|                       | G | g 2 | • |    |   |   |   | a | nd |

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|                        | Out of Pocket |    |    | Agent | <b>:</b> !    | Attorney      |    |        |    |
|------------------------|---------------|----|----|-------|---------------|---------------|----|--------|----|
| and figning, his in-   | 1.            | 5. | d. | l.    | 5.            | $d_{\bullet}$ | l. | 5.     | d. |
| demnity                | 0             | 0  | 0  | 0     | I             | 8             |    |        |    |
| Paid for fame          | 0             | 6  | 8  | 0     | 6             | 8             | 0  | 3<br>6 | 8  |
| Copy replevin bond,    |               |    |    |       |               |               |    |        | Ū  |
| folio 8.               | 0             | 0  | 0  | 0     | O             | 8             | O  | I      | 4  |
| Capias                 | 0             | 4  | 2  | 0     | 7             | 7             | 0  | 11     | 0  |
| Many journies in order |               |    |    |       |               |               | 1  |        |    |
| to serve same          | 0             | 0  | 0  | 0     | <b>2</b><br>6 | 6             | 0  | 5      | 0  |
| Cap. by contin.        | O             | 3  | 5  | 0     | 6             | 7             | 0  | 9      | 8  |
| Endeavoring to serve   |               |    |    |       |               |               |    |        |    |
| fame                   | 0,            | 0  | 0  | 0     | 2             | 6             | 0  | 5      | 0  |

#### Fines.

INES are used as common assurances for the conveyance of lands, and are of several sorts, viz.

1. Sur cognizance de droit, come ceo que il

ad de son done.

2. Sur done, grant et render.

3. Sur cognizance de droit tantum.

4. Sur concessit.

, 5. Sur release.

These are for several purposes, but the first is the most usual, and of that only we shall treat here, the rest being but seldom made use of.

Fines are taken either with or without a Methods of Dedimus potestatem.

#### Without a Dedimus.

1. In court, or

2. By the chief justice out of court.

By Dedimus.

1. By any of the judges, or by a serjeant at law (and in this case a *Dedimus* may be taken out after the caption, but before the judge or serjeant will return the caption;) or

2. By commissioners named in the Dedimus, and therefore in this case the Dedimus

must be taken out before the caption.

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#### Of passing a fine in court.

In this case you get the writ of covenant before the caption, and for that purpose you make out a *Præcipe* to the cursitor in the following form, according to the nature of the case.

Middlesex, to wit, Command A. B. genavrit of cove. tleman and E. his wife, that justly, &t.
they perform to C. D. the covenant made
between them, of one messuage and one garden, with appurtenances in B. and unless,
&c. Returnable, &c.

After you have got the writ of covenant, for which you pay 7 s. 6 d. you ingross the *Præcipe* and concord in parchment in the following form.

Præcipe and concord.

Middlesex, to wit, Command A. B. gentleman, and E. his wife, that justly, &c. they perform to C. D. the covenant made between them, of one messuage and one garden, with the appurtenances in B. and unless, &c.

And the agreement is such, to wit, that the aforesaid A. and E. have acknowledged the aforesaid tenements, with the appurtenances, to be the right of him the said C. as those which the said C. hath of the gist of the aforesaid A. and E. and these they have remised and quit-claimed from them

the said A. and E. and the heirs of the said A. to the aforesaid C. and his heirs for ever: And moreover the said A. and E. have granted for them and the heirs of the said A. that they will warrant to the aforesaid C. and his heirs, the aforesaid tenements, with the appurtenances, against them the said A. and E. and the heirs of the said A. for ever: And sor this, &c.

You then go with the conusors to Westminster, and give the writ, Pracipe and concord, to a serjeant's clerk, and he will get it passed for you; the wife must be examined by one of the judges, as to her free consent, without coercion of her husband.

If the fine be to be acknowledged before Before the chief the chief justice, a judge, or serjeant at law, justice, a judge, you ingross the Praecipe and concord on or serjeant. parchment, as before, and make another copy of them on paper, and write under each of them on the left hand side thus:

Taken and acknowledged the day of in the eighth year of the reign of our sovereign lord George the third, now king of Great Britain, &c. Before me.

The concord ingrossed on parchment, and the paper copy thereof, must be signed by the cognizors; you then go with the cognizors before the chief justice, judge, or serjeant, who will take the caption, examining the wife as before; the paper copy is kept by G g 4 the

the clerk of the chief justice, judge, or serjeant; you pay for the caption 12 s. 6 d.

If the fine be taken by a judge (not being the chief justice,) or by a serjeant, you sue out a *Dedimus potestatem*, and for that purpose you make out a *Præcipe* for the cursitor as followeth:

Middlesex, to wit, Command A. B. gentleman, and E. his wife, that justly,  $\mathcal{E}_{\ell}$ . they perform to C. D. the covenant made between them of one messuage, and one garden, with the appurtenances, in B. And

unless, &c.

De. po. To [naming the judge or serjeant:] You pay for this Dedimus 10s. 8d. And deliver it to the judge, or serjeant's clerk, who will get it returned for you.

If the fine be to be taken by special commissioners, you make a *Præcipe* for the cursitor in the following form, according to the nature of your case.

Essex, to wit, Command C. K. and L. his wife, that justly, &c. they perform to D. B. gentleman, the covenant, &c. of twenty acres of land with the appurtenances in C. And unless, &c.

De. Po. directed to 
$$\begin{cases} \mathcal{F}. B. \text{ knight.} \\ R. R. \\ C. M. \\ S. W. \\ \mathcal{F}. W. \end{cases}$$

## in the Court of Common Pleas.

You pay for this *Dedimus 1 l. 5s.* 8d. Then you ingross the *Præcipe* and concord in parchment; in this form:

Essex, to wit, Command C. K. and L. his wise, that justly, &c. they perform to D. B. the covenant made between them of twenty acres of land, with the appurtenances in C. And unless, &c.

And the agreement is fuch, that is to say, that the aforesaid C. and L. have acknowledged the aforesaid tenements, with the appurtenances, to be the right of him the said D, as those which the said D, hath of the gift of the aforesaid C, and L, and those they have remised and quit-claimed from them the said C. and L. and the heirs of the said C. to the aforesaid D. and his heirs, for ever. And moreover the said C. and L. have granted for them and the heirs of the said C. that they will warrant to the aforesaid D. and his heirs, the aforesaid tenements, with the appurtenances, against them the said C. and L. and the heirs of the said C. for ever. And for this, &c.

Taken and acknowledged the day of in the eighth year of the reign of our sovereign lord George the third, now king of Great Britain, &c. Before

Any two of the commissioners may take the fine, examining the wife separate and apart from the husband, as to her free consent, fent, without coercion from her husband, to pass the fine, and part with her interest in the lands, telling her the consequence of her acknowledging the fine; the Pracipe and concord should be read to the cognizors, and then signed by them, and the commissioners sign the caption and then annex the Pracipe and concord to the Dedimus, and the commissioners subscribe their names to the return, which is to be indorsed on the back of the Dedimus in the following words, viz.

The execution of this writ appears in a cer-

tain schedule hereunto annexed.

Vide postea the rule; as the affidavit necessary of the due taking of a fine by Dedi-

mus, and a judge's Allocatur thereon.

As to passing the fine through the offices; you carry the writ of covenant to the Alienation-Office in the King's Bench Walks in the Temple, to compound for the fine, for which the commissioners have fixed rules, according to the parcels in the writ; if a commissioner be present, you compound for the fine immediately, and pay the fine and the fees, the latter generally about 2s. The clerk keeps the writ generally two days to enter it in the office-books; having got the writ from the Alienation-Office, you ingross a warrant of attorney on parchment in the following form, according as your case requires.

Michaelmas term in the seventh year of king George the third.

Essex, D. B. putteth in his place A. B. his attorney, to prosecute a writ of covenant against C. K. and L. his wife of lands in C.

This warrant you file with the clerk of the warrants in Clifford's Inn, for which you pay 4d. and 4d. for every Post terminum; for the warrant of attorney must be of that term in which the writ of covenant was returnable.

By stat. 32 Geo. 2. c. 14. sect. 1. On every writ of covenant which shall be sued out for the passing of fines in the Common Pleas at Westminster, the officer whose duty it is to set and indorse the pre-sine payable thereon, shall at the same time set the usual post-sine, and indorse the same on the back of the said writ, together with his name or mark of office, in like manner as the same are now indorsed at the king's silver office, which postfine shall be forthwith paid to the receiver of pre-fines at the alienation office, with 4d. as his fee for receiving the same, instead of the fee of 4.d. charged on lands and hereditaments, and payable to sheriffs, bailiss, and others, on discharging the same, by 3 Geo. 1. cap. 15. which fee of 4 d. by the said act granted, after the first day of Trinity term 1759, shall cease; and such receiver shall indorse, upon the back of every such Writ

writ of covenant, one mark of office, as is now used by him on the receipt of pre-fines at the alienation office, with the name of such receiver, and the sum received as the post-fine, which mark of such receiver shall discharge the manors, lands and hereditaments comprised in the said writ of covenant, and the cognizees named therein.

By sett. 2. The officer or clerk of the king's silver office, or his deputy, shall continue to enter every fine upon record in the way hitherto used, and make the same entries, and put thereon the same indorsements with the same mark, and in like manner as has hitherto been the practice of the said office in passing of sines; and no sine, until the same be marked with the sum to which the post sine amounts in the king's silver office, shall be essectual in law.

By sett. 3. Where no pre-fine is payable on any writ of covenant, (viz. where the lands are under the yearly value of five marks; the officer at the alienation office, whose duty it is to let the pre-fines, shall set on every writ of covenant brought to the faid alienation office, on which no pre-fine is payable, a post-fine of 6s. 8d. and shall incorse fuch post-fine of 6 s. 8 d. on every such writ of covenant with his name and mark of office, as it hath been usual; and every such post-fine of 6s. 8d. shall be paid to the receiver of the alienation office, before the writ of covenant on which no pre-fine is payable, be passed at the alienation office; and the receiver, on payment of the said 6s. 8d. shall indorse indorse and mark every such writ of covenant, as other writs of covenant are by this act directed to be indorsed.

By sett. 4. The officer or clerk of the king's silver office, or his deputy, after the first day of Trinity term 1759, shall not receive any writ of covenant, unless it appear by the mask and indorsement of such receiver, that the post-fine has been paid.

By sett. 5. If after the payment of such post-fine, the writ of covenant by the death of any of the parties, or other cause, be prevented from palling through the several other offices, so as the said fine is not completed; then the said receiver shall repay to the cognizees, or their attorney, on producing and filing with him the said writ of covenant, every such sum as has been before by him received for the post fine; and such writ of covenant so remaining filed with such receiver shall be a discharge to such receiver.

By sect. 11. This act shall not alter the operation of any fine, which after the first day of Trinity term 1759 shall be levied in the Common Pleas at Westminster, or the course of passing fines in that court, otherwise than by this act directed.

You then carry the writ of covenant to the office of the Custos Brevium, in Brick Court in the Temple, to be entered, and three days after you fetch it away, carry then with you the concord and Dedimus (if any) to have the proclamations indorsed; you

pay here 3 s. 8 d. and 1 s. 8 d. for every Post terminum, if any.

Then annex to the writ of covenant the concord and Dedimus (if any), and leave them at the king's silver office in Old Crown-Office Row in the Temple; you pay here 1s. 8 d. for the caption, and 4d. for every other caption, if more than one, and fetch the writ, &c. from this office the third day after you left it.

Then you carry the writ, concord, &c. to the chirographer's office, to make the indentures; which you have in about a week's time. HEREAS by a rule of this court, made in the thirteenth year of the reign of his late majesty king George, it was ordered, that no fine whatfoever taken and acknowledged before any commissioners, by virtue of a writ of Dedimus potestatem to them directed, be allowed to pass, unless some person present when such fine was taken and acknowledged did personally appear before the lord chief justice, or some other justice of this court, and was examined upon oath touching the due execution thereof, and particularly whether such perion knew the parties acknowledging such fine; which rule has been found by experience to be attended with inconveniencies, and has not answered all the good purposes for which it was intended; for remedy thereof, and the better to ascertain the practice for the future,

What affidate It is ordered, that, instead of an oath made wit necessary of viva voce of the due acknowledgment of the due execution of a fine.

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such fines, an affidavit or affidavits in writing on parchment shall be made and annexed to every fine so taken as aforesaid, in which affidavit or affidavits the person or persons making the same shall swear, that he or they knew the party or parties acknowledging such fine; that the same was duly signed and acknowledged; that the party or parties acknowledging, and also the commissioners taking the same, were all of full age and competent understanding; that the femes covert (if any) were folely and separately examined apart from their husbands, and freely and voluntarily consented to and acknowledged the same, and that the conusor or conusors, and every of them, knew the same to be a fine to pass his, her, or their estate or estates; which fine, together with such affidavit or affidavits annexed, shall be transmitted to the said lord chief justice, or some other justice of this court for his Allocatur thereon, and such affidavit or affidavits shall remain annexed to such fine, and be left with the same in the proper office. And it is ordered, that all and every such affidavit and affidavits as aforefaid, except where the person or persons at the time of their acknowledging the fine are in Ireland, or some other parts beyond the ieas, shall be made by some attorney or attornies of the courts at Westminster Hall, or of the great sessions in Wales, or of the county palatine of Chester, Lancaster and Durham, and shall be sworn before a person duly authorised to take affidavits in this court. Hil. The 17 Geo. 2.

The form of an affidavit of the due caption of a fine.

In the Common Pleas.

A. B. of —— in the county of —— one of the attornies of his majesty's court of — and one of the commillioners named in the writ of Dedimus potestatem, for taking the acknowledgment of the fine hereunto annexed, maketh oath and saith, that he knows C. D. and E. his wife, and F. Gand H. his wife, the conusors named in the said fine, and that the same was duly signed and acknowledged by them before this deponent and J. K. gentleman, the other commissioner named in the said writ; and that the faid C.D. and E. his wife, and F.G.and H. his wife, and also this deponent and the faid J. K. were at the time of taking and acknowledging the said fine all of full age and competent understanding. That the said E. and H. we folely and feparately examined apart from their husbands, and freely and voluntarily consented to and acknowledged the said fine, and that the said conusors, and every of them, knew the same to be a fine to pass his, her, or their estate and estates.  $A. B_{\bullet}$ 

Sworn at —— in the county of —— the —— day of —— in the year of our Lord —— before me

L. M. one of, (&c.)

Or thus, if the affidavit is not made by a commissioner.

In the Common Pleas.

A. B. of — in the county of — one of the attornies of the court of — maketh oath and faith, that he knows C. D. and E. his wife, and F. G. and H. his wife, the conusors named in the fine hereunto annexed, and that the said fine was duly signed and acknowledged by them in this deponent's presence, and that they the said C. D. and E. his wife, and F. G. and H. his wife, and also J. K. and L. M. gentlemen, the commissioners taking the same sine, were at the time of taking thereof all of sull age, Gr. as in the former.

If there be only one conusor and his wife, say—and each of them—.

By a rule made Trin. 26 & 27 Geo. 2. reciting the last rule of Hil. 17 Geo. 2. and that the same had been found by experience to have answered many, but not all the good purposes for which it was intended: To make therefore the same more effectual and complete, and the better to ascertain the practice for the suture;

It is ordered that in the affidavit, or affi-Further rule davits, made in pursuance of such rule, the thercon. person or persons, so making the same, shall not only swear as they are directed by the said rule, but also that the sine was duly Voi. I. Hh signed

figned and acknowledged, upon the day and year, or days and years, mentioned in the caption; and if there be any razure or interlineation in the body or caption of such fine, that such razure or interlineation was made before the party or parties signed the said sine, and before the caption was signed by the commissioners: Which affidavit, or affidavits, shall be annexed to the sine, and shall be transmitted to the said lord chief justice, or some other justice of this court, for his Allocatur thereon, and shall remain annexed to such fine, and be left with the same in the proper office, as is directed by the said rule.

## An addition to be made to the former affidavit.

the said fine was duly signed and acknowledged, upon the day and year mentioned in the caption, (or upon the several days and year, or years, respectively mentioned in the captions, if there happens to be more captions than one;) and that the razure or interlineation (razures, or interlineations) in the body (or in the caption, or captions) of such fine (as the case shall happen) was (or were) made before the party (or parties) signed the said fine, and before the caption (or captions) was (or were) signed by the commissioners.

A fine

king's silver

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A sine was taken before Prentice an attor-Fine passed on ney, and Prentice a tradesman as commissi. assidavit by a oners; Prentice the attorney died without having made an affidavit of the acknowledgment of the fine. One of the cognizors became bankrupt, absconded, and did not surrender within the time limited by the statute. Ordered that the fine should pass on affidavit of the due acknowledgment thereof by Prentice the tradesman. Irin. 27, 28 Geo. 2. Barnes 217. Say against Smith and others.

Writ of covenant tested first day of Easter Death of one of the cogniterm, viz. 1 May 1754. zors before

Fine taken by De. po. 13 May.

Writ of covenant returnable 19 May.

entered, but no Compounded and pre-fine paid between Caveat till after. ් 17 ජි 20 May.

Mary Nunn one of the cognizors died 27 Mey.

After passing the return, warrant of attorney and Custos brevium offices, the writ was brought to the king's filver office on it June, and the clerk there then entered the king's silver or post-fine in his book, and on the writ of covenant.

A Caveat to prevent the completing this fine was brought to the king's filver office on 13 June (before the record was made up in form).

The court utterly exploded the notion, which had prevailed, undoubtedly by mistake, that the king's silver is the pre-sine or fine for licence to alienate; certainly it is not; the king's silver is the post-fine or fine

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for licence to accord. 2 Inst. 411. Dyar 246. The return of the writ of covenant is agreed to be in the life-time of Mary the cognifor; and from that time the crown has a right to the post-fine, which was entered at the king's silver office before any Caveat against it; the making up the record in form is certainly a ministerial act, not necessary to be done previous to the Caveat; the entry by the clerk of the king's silver as aforesaid is sufficient. (2 Ro. Ab. 19. Q.p. 1. in point.) Pas. 28 Geo. 2. Barber plaintiff against Henry Nunn and Mary his wise and others deforcients. Barnes 218.

Fine taken beyond sea not
figned by the
parties, ordered to pass,

A fine taken at Naples ordered to pass, though not signed by the parties, on assidation wit that it was duly acknowledged; that the parties were of full age and good understanding; that the seme covert was examined apart from her husband and freely consented. The sine being taken beyond sea is not within the laterule requiring an affidavit, and the signing a sine by the cognisors is not an essential part. By Willes, ch. just. and Clive just. 27 February 1756. Fleetwood plaintiff, Calender and wife and others desortients. Barnes 219, 220.

A fine amended in the name of a parish, which was levied in the reign of queen Anne. 3 Wilf. Rep. 58.

Fine amended by deed of uses, adding a vill. Bernes 24.

Proceedings to perfect a fine stayed, and former proceedings vacated, wife of one of the cognizors, dying before return of writ

of

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of covenant, on motion, without putting parties to bring writ of error; the concord is to be made at return of writ of covenant, if party die before that day, there can be no agreement, all is void. Barnes 220, 221.

A fine from three conusors and the wives of two of them, to two conusees, upon two writs of covenant. I. Of messuages, cottages, barns, stables, gardens, orchards, land, meadow, pasture, wood, commin of pasture, and free fishery. 2. Of messuages, cottages, barns, stables, gardens, orchards, land, meadow, pasture, wood, surze and heath.

Norfolk, Ommand A. B. gent. and C. to wit, his wife, D. E. gent. and F. his wife, and G. H. gent. that they justly, &c. perform to J. K. efq; and L. M. gent. the covenant made between them of four messuages, six cottages, four barns, six stables, six gardens, six orchards, four hundred acres of land, four hundred acres of meadow, four hundred acres of pasture, forty acres of wood, common of pasture for all cattle, and free fishery with the appurtenances in N. O. and P. And unless, &c.

Suffolk, to wit, Command the same that they justly, &c. perform to the same the covenant made between them of six messuages, four cottages, sive barns, six stables, six gardens, six orchards, four hundred acres of land, two hundred acres of meadow, two H h 3 hundred

hundred acres of pasture, thirty acres of wood, and forty acres of furze and heath, with the appurtenances in Q. R.  $\mathcal{C}_c$ . and unless,  $\mathcal{C}_c$ .

And the agreement is such, to wit, that the aforesaid A. and C. D. and F. and G. have acknowledged the aforesaid tenements, common of pasture and fishery, with the appurtenances to be the right of the faid  $\mathcal{F}$ , as those which the said J. and L. have of the gift of the said A and C D and F and G and those they have remised and quit-claimed from themselves the said A and C. D and F. and G. and their heirs, to the said  $\mathcal{I}$ , and  $\mathcal{L}$ , and the heirs of the said J. for ever. And moreover, the said A. and C. have granted for themselves and the heirs of the said C. that they will warrant to the faid  $\mathcal{F}$ . and L. and the heirs of the said J. the aforesaid tenements, common of pasture and fishery, with the appurtenances, against them the faid A. and C. and the heirs of the faid C. for ever. And further the said D. and F. have granted for themselves and the heirs of the faid F. that they will warrant to the aforesaid J. and L. and the heirs of the said J. the aforesaid tenements, common of pasture and fishery, with the appurtenances against them the said D. and F. and the heirs of the said F. for ever. And also the said G. hath granted for himself and his heirs, that he will warrant to the aforesaid  $\mathcal{F}$ . and L. and the heirs of the said J. the aforesaid tenements, common of palture and fishery, with the appur-

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Taken and acknowledged,  $\mathfrak{Sc.}$   $\begin{cases} A. B. \\ C. B. \\ D. E. \\ F. E. \\ G. H. \end{cases}$ 

Hh<sub>4</sub> BILL

BILL of Disbursements and Fees on Fine passed by De. Po.

#### Trinity Vacation, 1778.

| •                       | Out of Pocket |    |    |            | Agen   | t              | Attorney |    |      |
|-------------------------|---------------|----|----|------------|--------|----------------|----------|----|------|
| Perusing writings, at-  | l.            | 5. | d. | <i>l</i> . | s.     | d.             | l.       | s. | d.   |
| tending for that pur-   |               |    |    |            |        | ;              |          |    | -    |
| pose, and to settle     | •             |    |    |            |        |                |          |    |      |
| parcels for fine        | 0             | 0  | 0  | 0          | 3      | 4              | 0        | 6  | 8    |
| Precipe for De. Po. and |               |    |    |            |        |                |          |    |      |
| copy for curfitor       | 0             | 0  | 0  | 0          | I      | 6              | 0        | 3  | Ó    |
| De. Po. and fee         | I             | 6  | 8  | I          | I      | 0              | I        | 13 | 4    |
| Precipe and concord     |               |    |    |            |        |                |          | _  | ·    |
| with fair copy, fo. 4   | 0             | 0  | 0  | 0          | 2      | 8              | 0        | 5  | 4    |
| Engrossing and parch-   |               |    |    |            |        |                |          |    |      |
| ment                    | 0             | 0  | 5  | 0          | 1      | 9              | 0        | 3  | I    |
| Affidavit of caption,   |               | •  |    |            |        | ٠,             |          |    |      |
| parchment duty, en-     |               |    |    |            |        |                |          |    |      |
| groffing, and oath      | 0             | 3  | 9  | 0          | 5      | 3              | 0        | б  | 9    |
| Allowance               | 0             | 4  | 0  | 0          | 5<br>4 | 0              | 0        | 4  | 0    |
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| fame                    | 0             | 0  | 0  | 0          | I      | 8 <sub>1</sub> | 0        | 3  | 4    |
| Writ of covenant and    |               |    | _  |            |        | •              |          |    |      |
| fee                     | Э             | 7  | 6  | 0          | 10     | 10             | 0        | 14 | 2    |
| Private seal            | 0             | 8  |    | 0          | 8      |                | 0        | 8  | 6    |
| King's fine             | 4             | 13 | 4  | 4          | 13     | 4              | 4        | 13 | 4    |
| Attending to compound   | 0             | 0  | O  | 0          | 3      |                | 0        | 6  | 8    |
| Alienation fees         | 0             | 4  | 0  | 0          | 4      | 0              | 0        | 4  | 0    |
| Pre-fine and post-sine  | 7             | 0  | 0  | 7          | 0      | 0              | 7        | 0  | Θ    |
| Letters, &c.            | 0             | 0  | 0  | 10         | I      | ତ              | 0        | 2  | . 0  |
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#### Michaelmas Term following.

|                         | Out of Pocket |    |    | Agent |    |    | Attorney |    |    |
|-------------------------|---------------|----|----|-------|----|----|----------|----|----|
| Returning and inrolling | l.            | 5. | d. | 1.    | s. | d. | l.       | 5. | d. |
| covenant                | 0             | I  | 6  | 0     | I  | 9  | 0        | 2  | 0  |
| Warrant of attorney,    |               |    |    |       |    |    |          |    |    |
| and filing              | 0             | 0  | 4  | 0     | 0  | 10 | 0        | I  | 4  |
| Keeper of writs         | 0             | 3  | 8  | 0     | 3  | 8  | 0        | 3  | 8  |
| King's silver           | 0             | 2  | 8  | 0     | 2  | 8  | 0        | 2  | 8  |
| Chirographer            | Q             | 6  | 2  | 0     | 6  | 2  | 0        | 6  | 2  |
| Indentures              | 0             | 6  | 6  | 0     | 6  | 6  | 0        | 6  | 6  |
| Passing fine            | ٥             | 0  | 0  | 0     | 6  | 8  | 0        | 13 | 4  |
| Letters, &c.            | 0             | 0  | 0  | lo    | 1  | 0  | 0        | 2  | 0  |

Bill of Disbursements and Fees on Fine passed at Bar, consists of the same Items as the last, except as hereunder exprest.

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N. B. The rest of this bill same as last.

#### Recoveries.

in proper person.

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You prepare a Præcipe on paper, accord. ing to the nature of your case, in this manner:

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Easter term in the seventh year of the reign of king George the third

Essex, Ommand R. R. gentleman, that to wit. he justly, &c. render to S. R. three messuages, and twenty-four acres of land (specifying the parcels) with the appurtenances in D. which he claimeth,  $\mathcal{C}_c$ .

Tenant in person voucheth to warrant S. F. who in person voucheth to warrant Edmund Wilson.

If there be more vouchees, name them in order, naming Edmund Wilson, who is

the common vouchee, last.

Then you go with the tenant and vouchee or vouchees (except the common vouchee) to Westminster, and give the Præcipe to a serjeant's clerk, who will get it passed at bar, and deliver it back to you.

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If the recovery be with fingle voucher, you pay the ferjeant's clerk 6s. with double voucher 8s. with treble voucher 10s. with quadruple voucher 12s. and if by warrant of attorney 4s. more. There are other fees in court amounting to about 5s. more, if by warrant of attorney, to 6s. but you may give those fees to the serjeant's clerk who will pay them for you.

You then make a copy of the *Præcipe* for the cursitor to make out the writ of entry in

the following form.

Essex, to wit, Command R. R. gentleman, that he justly, &c. render to S. R. three messuages and twenty-four acres of land, with the appurtenances in D. which he claimeth, &c.

Returnable from Easter day in 15 days.

You pay for the writ of entry 7s. 6d. and then get the attorney general's hand to it, for which you pay 10 s. (this is frequently done last of all); you then go to the alienation office in the Temple, and compound for the fine, which for such small parcels as above is generally 6s. 8d. which you pay with the clerk's fee, generally about 2s. or 2s. 6d.

You then make out a writ of seisin, for the form of which vide postea, and having got it signed by the prothonotary and sealed, you carry that and the writ of entry to the return office, N°. 3 in the Inner Temple, to

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be returned; for the return of each you pay 1 s. 6 d.

You then prepare a draught of your recovery in the form after mentioned, and getting a roll from the prothonotary's office en-

ter it thereon in an ingrossing hand.

Then the exemplification is to be ingrossed in an exemplifying hand in the form hereafter mentioned, on a skin of parchment, with a double five shillings stamp. Then go to the prothonotary's office, taking with you the roll, exemplification, writs, and Pracipe passed at bar, docket the roll, enter the Praccipe on the remembrance roll, according to the form you'll see there, and one of the prothonotary's clerks will examine the writs, entries and exemplification; you pay him the fees, which are different according to the nature of the case; he then signs the exemplification, which you then get sealed.

The form of the recovery as entered on the roll.

Entry returnable from Easter day in 15 days.

Essex, S. R. gentleman, in his proper perto wit, son demandeth against R. R. gentleman, three messuages and twenty-sour acres of land with the appurtenances in D. as his right and inheritance, and into which the same R. hath not entry but after the dissersion which Hugh Hunt thereof unjustly, and without judgment hath made to the said S. within thirty years, &c. And whereupon

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he faith, that he was seised of the tenements aforesaid, with the appurtenances, in his demesse as of see and right, in time of peace, in the time of our lord the king that now is, by taking the profits thereof to the value, &c. and into which, &c. and thereof he bringeth suit, &c.

And the aforesaid R, in his proper person cometh and defendeth his right, when, &c. and thereupon voucheth to warrant S. F. who is present here in court in her proper person, and freely warranteth the tenements aforesaid. with the appurtenances, to the faid R,  $\mathfrak{S}_{c}$ . and hereupon the said S. demandeth against the said S. tenant by her own warranty the tenements aforefaid, with the appurtenances in manner aforesaid, &c. and whereupon he saith, that he was seised of the tenements aforesaid, with the appurtenances, in his demesne as of fee and right, in time of peace, in the time of our lord the king that now is, by taking the profits thereof to the value, ಆಂ. and into which, ಆಂ. and thereof he bringeth suit, &c.

And the said S. tenant by her own warranty defendeth her right, when, &c. and thereupon she further voucheth to warrant Edmund Wilson, who is present here in court in his proper person, and freely warranteth to her the tenements aforesaid with the appurtenances, &c. and hereupon the said S. demandeth against him the said Edmund tenant by his own warranty the tenements aforesaid, with the appurtenances in manner aforesaid, &c. and whereupon he saith, that

he was seised of the tenements aforesaid, with the appurtenances, in his demesse as of see and right, in time of peace, in the time of our lord the king that now is, by taking the profits thereof to the value, &c. and into which, &c. and thereof he bringeth suit, &c.

And the said Edmund, tenant by his own warranty defendeth his right, when, &c. and saith, that the said Hugh did not disselt the said S. of the tenements aforesaid with the appurtenances, as the said S. by his writ and declaration above doth suppose; and of this he putteth himself upon the country, &c.

And the faid S. thereupon craveth leave to imparle, and he hath it, &c. and afterwards the said S. cometh again here into court in this same term in his proper person, and the faid Edmund although folenmly called cometh not again, but departed in contempt of the court, and maketh default; therefore it is considered, that the said S. recover his seisin against the said R. of the tenements aforesaid with the appurtenances, and that the faid R. have of the land of the said S. to the value, &c. and furthermore that the said S. have the land of the said Edmund to the value, &c. and the said Edmund in mercy, &c. and hereupon the said S. prayeth a writ of the lord the king to be directed to the sheriff of the county aforesaid, to cause full seisin of the tenements aforesaid with the appurtenances to be delivered to him, and is granted to him returnable here on the morrow of the Ascension of our Lord; at which day the said S. cometh here into court in his proper person, and the sherisf namely E. E. esq; now returneth, that he by virtue of the aforesaid writ to him directed on the twenty-second day of May in this same term did cause full seisin of the tenements aforesaid with the appurtenances, to be delivered to the aforesaid S. as by the said writ he was commanded, &c.

Exemplification of the above recovery.

GEORGE the third, by the grace of God, of Great Britain, France, and Ireland, king, defender of the faith, &c. To all to whom these our present letters shall come, greeting. Know ye that amongst the pleas of land inrolled at Westminster, before Sir John Eardley Wilmot, knight, and his brethren our justices of the bench of the term of Easter in the seventh year of our reign, upon the seventh roll it is thus contained: Entry returnable [the whole of the above entry to the words Commanded, &c. All and singular which premisses at the request of the said S. by the tenor of these presents we have commanded to be exemplified; in testimony whereof, we have caused our seal appointed for sealing of writs in the bench aforesaid to be affixed to these presents. Witness Sir John Eardley Wilmot, knight, at Westminster, the twenty-first day of May in the seventh year of our reign.

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Of recoveries the parties appear by attorney.

To prevent the expence and delay of a where some of Dedimus for the tenant, when he lives at distance from Westminster, generally some per. fon in London is made tenant to the Pracipe: therefore there being seldom a Dedimus for the tenant, and this being intended as a short treatise of the most usual matters in recove. ries, and not of all its branches, I shall proceed to recoveries where the vouchee appears by attorney.

Prepare a Præcipe for the cursitor to make out the Dedimus potestatem, according to the nature of your case, in the following

form:

Shropshire, to wit, Command A. B. gentleman, that he justly,  $\mathfrak{Sc}$ . render to R. R. gentleman, twenty messuages, ten gardens, two hundred acres of land, one hundred acres of meadow, one hundred acres of pafture, fifty acres of wood, fifty acres of furze and heath, common of pasture for all manner of cattle, fairs, markets, tolls, stallage and pickage, with the appurtenances in B. L.B.C. and L. which he claimeth,  $\mathcal{C}c.$ 

The tenant in person voucheth to warrant R.W. efq; and W. W. gent. (whereupon fummons returnable from the day of St. Martin in fifteen days) who by attorney voucheth to warrant Edmund Wilson.

Sir  $\mathcal{F}$ . B. knt. De. po. to ----G.M. gent.

You pay the cursitor for this writ 1 5

The warrant of attorney is to be ingrossed on parchment thus:

Shropshire, to wit, R.W. esquire, and W. W. gentleman, whom A.B. gentleman, hath vouched to warrant, put in their place  $\mathcal{F}.S.$  and E.C. their attornies, jointly and severally against R.R. gentleman, of a plea of land,  $\mathfrak{Sc}.$ 

Taken and acknowledged the day of in the feventh year of the reign of king George the third, before.

The vouchees are to sign and acknowledge the warrant of attorney, in the presence of any two of the commissioners who are to sign the caption, and also an indorsement on the back of the *Dedimus* in these words, viz.

The execution of this commission appeareth in a certain schedule to this commission annexed.

Hilary Term, in the fourteenth year of the reign of king George the third.

In the common pleas.

POR the more effectual and certain proof of the due acknowledgment of warrants of attorney, taken from the tenants or vouchees in common recoveries, by virtue of any writ of Dedimus Potestatem, It is ordered by the court, That from and after Vol. I. I i the

the first day of Michaelmas term next, no common recovery, wherein the tenant or tenants, vouchee or vouchees, or any of them, shall appear and defend by attorney, shall be arraigned at the bar, unless an as. fidavit or affidavits in writing on parchment shall be made and annexed to a copy of the precipe and warrant or warrants of attorney, acknowledged by such tenant or tenants, vouchee or vouchees, by virtue of any writ or writs of Dedimus Potestatem; in which af. fidavit or affidavits the person or persons making the same shall swear, That he or they knew the party or parties acknowledging such warrant or warrants of attorney; that the same was or were duly signed and acknowledged, upon the day and year or several days and years mentioned in the caption or several captions thereof; that the party or parties acknowledging, and also the commissioners taking the same, were all of full age and competent understanding; that the femes covert (if any) were solely and separately examined apart from their husbands, and freely and voluntarily consented to and acknowledged the same; that all the said parties knew the same warrant or warrants of attorney was or were intended for suffering a common recovery to pass his, her, or their estate or estates. And further, that the razure or razures, interlineation or interlineations, (if any) in the body or caption of such original warrant or warrants of attorney was or were made before the said parties or any of them signed the said warrant or warrants, and before the commissioners signed the said caption or captions, which affidavit or affidavits (together with the said copy of the precipe and warrant or warrants of attorney, whereunto the same shall be annexed) shall be filed in the office of involment of writs for fines and recoveries. And it is ordered. That all and every fuch affidavit or affidavits, as aforesaid, shall be made by some attorney or attornies, of the courts of Westminster-Hall, or of the great sessions in Wales, or of the counties palatine of Chester, Lancaster or Durham, and shall be sworn before a person duly authorized to take affidavits in this court; except where the party or parties respectively, at the time of their acknowledging such warrant or warrants of attorney, shall be in that part of Great-Britain called Scotland, or in Ireland, or in some other parts beyond the seas: and in case the said party or parties shall be in Scotland, then the said affidavit or affidavits shall be made by one of the clerks of his majesty's signer, and sworm before one of the judges or other person duly authorized to take affidavits or depositions in the court of session or court of exchequer in that part of the united kingdom: But if the said party or parties shall be in Ireland. or in any other parts beyond the seas, then the said affidavit or affidavits shall be made by one of the commissioners who hath taken the acknowledgment of such warrant or warrants of attorney, and shall be sworn either before some person duly authorized to take affidavits

affidavits in this court, or before some magistrate of the place where such acknowledge, ment shall be taken, having authority to administer an oath, and in the presence of a public notary, which notary shall also certify in writing under his hand and seal, as well the due administring of the said oath, as also the name, signature, and office of the magistrate administring the same.

By the COURT.

The FORM of the AFFIDAVIT.

In the Common Pleas.

A.B. of in the county of

gentleman, one of the attornies of his majesty's court of

and one of the commissioners named in the writ of Dedimus Potestatem, for receiving the attorney or attornies of C.D. and E. his wife (&c.) maketh oath, and saith, That he knows the said C. D. and E. his wife (&c.) and that they, and each (or every) of them, did duly sign and acknowledge, in the presence of this deponent, and of F.G. another commissioner named in the said writ, the warrant (or warrants) of attorney, a copy whereof is hereunto annexed, on the day and year (or several days and years) mentioned in the caption (or several captions) thereof. And that the said C. D. and E. bis wife (&c.) and also this deponent, and the said F.G. were, at the time of acknowledging and taking the said warrant (or warrants)

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warrants) of attorney, all of full age and competent understanding. And that the said E. was solely and separately examined apart from her said hulband, and freely and voluntarily consented to and acknowledged her warrant of attorney aforesaid. And that the said C.D. and E, his wife (Sc.) respectively knew that the said warrant (or warrants) of attorney was (or were) intended for the suffering of a common recovery to pass his, her, or their estate or estates. " And this deponent further saith, To be added in That the razure (or razures) interlineation (or part or in the interlineations) appearing in the said original whole, if any warrant (or warrants) of attorney, was (or razure, &c. in were) made before any of the parties signed the or caption, as said warrant (or warrants;) and the razure or the case may razures) interlineation (or interlineations) ap-require. pearing in the said original caption (or captions) was (or were) made before the said commissioners signed the same.

Or thus, if the affidavit is not made by a commissioner.

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A.B. of in the county of gentleman, one of the attornies of his majesty's court of maketh oath, and saith, That he knows C.D. and E. his wife (&c.) and that they, and each (or every) of them, did duly sign and acknowledge, in the presence of this deponent, the warrant (or warrants) of attorney, a copy whereof is hereunto annexed, on the day and year (or several days

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days and years) mentioned in the caption (or several captions) thereof; and that they the said C.D. and E. his wife (&c.) and F.G., and J.K. gentlemen, the commissioners taking the said acknowledgment (or acknowledgments) were, at the time of acknowledging and taking the said warrant (or warrants) of attorney, all of sull age, &c. as in the former affidavit.

When the Dedimus is returned, you carry it to the curlitor, who will make out a Miltimus and transcript, and also the writ of entry.

In the mean time you make out the writs of summons and seisin in the manner herein after directed, which are to be signed by the

prothonotary, and then sealed.

You also get the recovery passed at bar (which may regularly be done any day after the return of the writ of summons, as to which videa postea) and for that purpose you write the Praecipe on paper in the same manner as before directed for the Dedimus, only adding the term, and prothonotary's name at the top; you attend with the tenant at Westminster, and deliver the Praecipe to a serjeant's clerk, who will get it passed for you, as before is mentioned.

You get the writ of entry signed by the attorney general, (though that is often done last of all,) compound for the fine at the alienation office, and get the writs of entry, summons and seisin, returned in manner before directed.

You

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You then prepare your entries, which in this case are two, the forms of which follow; the first of which is called the summons roll, and is to be wrote in an ingroffing; the fecond, called the recovery roll, begins with the Mittimus, and transcript, which is to be wrote in a smaller hand, and the rest of that roll in an ingrossing hand; these rolls you have from the prothonotary.

You then prepare and ingross the exemplification, the form of which you will find among the following precedents; and then pass the whole at the prothonotary's office,

in manner before directed.

### The first, or summons roll.

Shropshire, R. gentleman, in his proper To be wrote to wit. Person, demandeth against in an ingrossing A. B. gentleman, twenty messuages [the par-band, cels as before with the appurtenances in B. L. B.C. and L. as his right and inheritance, and into which the same A. hath not entry, but after the disseisin, which Hugh Hunt thereof unjustly, and without judgment, hath made to the said R. within thirty years, Ge. And whereupon he saith, that he was seised of the tenements, common, fairs, markets, toll, stallage and pickage aforesaid, with the appurtenances, in his demesne as of fee and right, in time of peace, in the time of our lord the king that now is, by taking the profits thereof, to the value, Gr. And

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into which, &c. And thereof he bringeth suit, &c.

And the faid A. in his proper person, cometh and defendeth his right when,  $\mathcal{C}_c$ . And thereupon voucheth to warrant R. W. esquire, and W. W. gentleman, summoned in the county aforesaid, and let him have them here, from the day of Saint Martin in sisteen days, by the aid of the court,  $\mathcal{C}_c$ . The same day is given here to the parties aforesaid,  $\mathcal{C}_c$ . And upon this the said A, putteth in his place  $\mathcal{F}_c$ . W. and T. B. his attorney, jointly and severally, against the said R. R. to gain or lose in the plea aforesaid,  $\mathcal{C}_c$ .

#### The second roll.

To be wrote in a smaller band: Of the bench here this writ of Mittimus closed, together with the tenor of a certain writ of our said lord the king of Dedimus potessatem, for the receiving a warrant of attorney, and the return of the same; and also the warrant of attorney thereupon received, in these words:

GEORGE the third, by the grace of God, of Great Britain, France, and Ireland, king, defender of the faith, &c. To his justices of the bench, greeting. We send you, inclosed in these presents, the tenors of our certain writ of Dedimus potestatem, directed to our trusty and well-beloved Sir

J. B.

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J. B. knight, and to our beloved G. M. and I.M. gentlemen, for and concerning the receiving the attorney or attornies, jointly or feverally, whom or who R.W. esquire, and W.W. gentleman, will appoint or constitute in their stead, before the aforesaid Sir J.G. and T. or two of them, against R. R. gentleman, to gain or lose in a plea of land upon our writ of entry upon disseisin in le post, depending before you, between the aforesaid R. R. and A. B. gentlemen, concerning twenty messuages, &c. [naming all the parcels as before, ] with the appurtenances, in B. L. B. C. and L. in Shropshire; which fame A. hath vouched the fame R. W. and W. to warrant to him the messuages aforesaid, and other the premisses with the appurtenances; also the return of the same writ of Dedimus potestatem; and likewise a warrant of attorney received in that behalf fent into our Chancery, and remaining on the files of the same Chancery, commanding you, that, inspecting the said tenors, you cause farther to be done therein at the prosecution of the faid R. R. what of right, and according to the law and custom of England, shall be meet to be done. Witness ourself at Westminster the twenty-first day of November in the seventh year of our reign. Sykes. George the third, by the grace of God, of Great Britain, France, and Ireland, king, defender of the faith, &c. To his trusty and well-beloved Sir  $\mathcal{F}$ . B. knight, and to his beloved G. M. and T. M. gentlemen, greeting. Whereas our writ of entry upon disseisin

seisin in le post is depending before our justices of the bench, between R. R. gentle. man, and A. B. gentleman, concerning twenty messuages, &c. [all the parcels as before,] with the appurtenances, in B. L. B. C. and L. in Shropshire; and the said A. appearing in our full court before our justices asoresaid, hath vouched R. W. esquire, and W. W. gentleman, to warrant to him the messuages aforesaid, and other the premisses, with the appurtenances: Whereupon our writ of summons to warrant hath issued forth against the said R.W. and W. returnable before our justices aforesaid, from the day of Saint Martin in fifteen days. And forasmuch as the faid R.W. and W. are so infirm, that they cannot, without the greatest bodily danger, travel to Westminster at the day in our faid writ of fummons to warrant contained, to do and act those things which then and there shall be expedient to be done in the fame, as we are informed; we, tendering the condition of the faid R.W. and W. in this behalf, have given to you, or two of you, power and authority to receive the attorney or attornies jointly or severally, whom or who the faid R. W. and W. before you, or two of you, will appoint or constitute in their stead, to gain or lose in the said plea before our said justices: And therefore we command you, or two of you, that you go in person unto the said R. W. and W. if they cannot conveniently travel to you, and receive their attorney or attornies, jointly or teverally, in form aforesaid; and when you Mall

shall have received the said attorney or attornies, you distinctly and plainly, without delay, certify us in our Chancery under your seals, or the seals of two of you, of the name or names of such attorney or attornies. sending back unto us this writ. Witness ourself at Westminster, the fourth day of November in the seventh year of our reign. Sykes. By the lord chancellor of Great Britain, at the instance of the demandant H. C. J. Wilmot. The execution of this commission appears in a certain schedule to this commission annexed. G. M. T. M. Received 6s. 8d. R. Salkeld. Shropshire, to wit, R.W. efquire, and W.W. gentleman, whom A. B. gentleman, vouched to warrant, put in their place J. Sharpe and E. C. their attornies, jointly and severally against R. R. gentleman, of a plea of land, &c. R. W. W. W. Taken and acknowledged the 18th day of November in the seventh year of the reign of king George the third, before G. M. T. M.

Elsewhere, as it appeareth of this same Ingrossing term upon the 421st roll, it is thus contain-hand. ed: Shropshire, to wit, R. R. gentleman, in his proper person, demandeth against A. B. gentleman, twenty messuages, &c. [naming the parcels as before,] with the appurtenances, in B. L. B. C. and L. as his right and inheritance; and into which the same A. hath not entry, but after the disseisn which Hugh Hunt thereof unjustly, and without judgment, hath made to the said R. within thirty years, &c. And whereupon he saith, that

he was seised of the tenements, common, fairs, markets, toll, stallage and pickage aforesaid, with the appurtenances in his demesse as of see and right, in time of peace, in the time of our lord the king that now is, by taking the profits thereof to the value, &c. and into which, &c. and thereof he

bringeth suit, &c.

And the said A. in his proper person, co. meth and defendeth his right when, &c. and thereupon voucheth to warrant R. W. esquire, and W. W. gentleman, summoned in the county aforesaid; let him have them here from the day of Saint Mariin in fifteen days, by the aid of the court, &c. The same day is given here to the parties aforesaid, &c. And upon this the said A. putteth in his place  $\mathcal{F}$ . W. and  $\mathcal{T}$ . B. his attornies jointly and severally, against the said R. R. to gain or lose in the plea aforesaid, &c. At which day here cometh as well the faid R, R. in his proper person, as the said A. by the faid J. W. his attorney. And the said R. W. and W. being summoned, &c. likewise come by J. S. their attorney, and freely warrant the tenements, common, fairs, markets, toll, stallage and pickage aforesaid, with the appurtenances, to the said A. Ec. And hereupon the said R. R. demandeth against the faid R.W. and W. tenants by their own warranty, the tenements, common, fairs, markets, toll, stallage and pickage aforesaid, with the appurtenances, in manner aforesaid, &c. And whereupon he saith, that he was seised of the tenements, common, fairs, markets,