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Sir Christopher Wray, Knt. Chief Justice. Sir Francis Gawdy, Knt. { Justices. John Clench, E/q. Edward Fenner, E/q. Sir John Popham, Knt. Attorney General.

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CASE I.

Fermor against Dorrington.

" I will prove 44 bim to be a perjured knave," are actionable. Poft. 730. Cro. Jac. 214.

CTION for words, which were, " I will prove Fermor to "be a perjured knave." After verdict it was alledged in arrest of judgment, that the words are not actionable, for he doth not fay he was perjured, but that he would prove him perjured; for it may be, that if he doth any act after that he may be convinced of it.—But all THE COURT held, that the action lay, and the words cannot have fuch construction.

Tudgment flayed for a diversity in the christian name of a juror heand distringas

Another matter was alledged, that in the venire facias and distringus, one Taverner was named one of the jurors; but in the return of the distringus in lieu of Taverner one Turnor was returned, and was fworn, and tried the matter; fo it is a mif-trial, being tried tween the venire by one that was not returned in the venire facias. And Coke cited a precedent in this court between Doufby and Willot, where a Post. 256. 258. juror was returned by the name of Gregory Willot, and in the distringas he was named George Willor, and he with others passed upon the inquest; and for this cause the judgment was stayed. And another precedent in the exchequer, where one Mizael was returned upon the venire facias, and upon the distringus one Michael, and both these were returned for sirnames; and because Michael was sworn, &c. the judgment was flayed.—And so it seemed to THE COURT; but they at first doubted if the variance in the sirname be a cause to stay judgment; but for variance in the christian name, they agreed clearly the judgment shall be stayed, but one may have two But afterwards it was refolved the judgment should firnames. be stayed.

5. Co. 42. Cro. Car. 203. Cro. Jac. 116. 558. Hob. 64. 3. Bac. Abr. 276. Cowp. 425.

CABE 2.

Taylor against Beal.

Quare, If a lessee is authorised to expend part of the rent for the repairs of the premises ! 1. Leon. 237. **520.** 1. Ld. Ray. 42d Doug. 748. 1. Term Rep. 454. 457. 2. T. Rep. 630.

EBT for rent referved upon a lease for years. The issue being joined if the rent were paid or not, the defendant gave in evidence for part of the rent, that the plaintiff by covenant was to repair the house and did not, and that thereupon he expended part of the rent in repairing the house. The question was, If this evidence will maintain the iffue !- GAWDY conceived it did, for the law giveth this liberty to the leffee to expend the rent in reparations, for he shall be otherwise at great mischief, for the house may fall upon his head before it be repaired; and therefore the law alloweth him to repair it, and recoupe the rent. Vide 12. Hen. 8. pl. 1.

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