

er on all occasions. I do not wish to cast any imputation on the society in general, or on persons who may belong to it; but I cannot help saying that the defendant, made use of the influence of his situation in it to induce those persons to lend themselves to his purposes. Any of these persons is sufficient evidence against the others—[Here Mr. Scott read a passage or two from the IV. Vol. of STARKIE, where it is laid down, that where there is a co-operation between any number of persons which shews a community of design, any one of them is sufficient evidence against the others.] R. O. Gowan offered to give up to William Gowan the deed which Fearn had drawn up, giving to him £200 out of the lands of Ashwood, if William would give him the codicil in which he was left £100 a year. Gentlemen, that will go before you to shew the value which was set upon the deed in question. Mr. Scott then proceeded to argue upon the subject of the Bill and Answer which had been filed in the Court of Equity. He then read some letters from William Gowan to Burland, in one of which, dated the 12th of July, he says, "Keep up your spirits and fear not, we will be victorious. Great preparations for the bonfire to-night"—(a laugh.) Here one of the Jury was sent for from the other Court, and Mr. Scott ceased till his return, when he addressed some more observations to the Jury, and concluded by expressing his confidence that the verdict of the Jury would be in favour of the Plaintiff.

(The following are the letters which were read by Mr. Scott in the course of his statement.)

NO. I.—Dated Carnew, June 12, 1824.

(Copy Letter from defendant to Mr. John Burland.)

"MY DEAR FRIEND,—As I am well aware that you value my interest, which must tend in the end to be also your interest, that you will not fail, let what will occur, to come on Monday next to Carnew to me, as I have business of IMPORTANCE to communicate to you. I have therefore to request of you that you will let nothing prevent your coming to me.—I am, my dear Friend, with the highest respect and esteem, your ever sincere friend till death, and you faithful brother;

WILLIAM GOWAN."

"The love that exists between us, Brothers, shall never be broken down or separated!"

"To Mr. John Burland, Loggan."

NO. 2.—Dated Carnew, Nov. 8, 1824.

"MY DEAR SIR.—As I have got every thing settled, I would wish to see you early in the morning, or this evening. I have now nothing to fear; they are all at Mount Nebo in despair. I have been successful about getting the money! Compliments to Mrs. Burland and the family, and believe me, my Dear Sir, to remain till death, your sincere friend,

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