

## SHUTE V. DAVIS.

[1 Pet. C. C. 431.] $^{1}$ 

Circuit Court, D. Pennsylvania. April Term, 1817.

## COURTS-FEDERAL JURISDICTION-CITIZENSHIP.

1. The circuit court has no jurisdiction, when neither of the parties in the suit, are citizens of the state in which the action is instituted.

[Cited in Donaldson v. Hazen, Case No. 3,984; Dundas v. Bowler, Id. 4,140; Allen v. Blunt, Id. 215.]

2. Where the plaintiff was a citizen of Kentucky, and one of the defendants was a citizen of Pennsylvania, and the other defendant a citizen of New Orleans, but no process had been served on the latter, the jurisdiction of the court, in the case was maintained.

[Cited in Picquet v. Swan, Case No. 11,134; Nesmith v. Calvert, Id. 10,123; Heriot v. Davis, Id. 6,404.]

[Cited in Wills v. Home Ins. Co., 28 Iowa, 546.]

[3. Cited in Smith v. Allen, 1 Blackf, 24, note 1, to the point that in ejectment the legal title must prevail.]

Motion on arrest of judgment, upon the ground of want of jurisdiction. The declaration stated the plaintiff to be a citizen of the state of New York, and the defendant to be a citizen of New Jersey.

WASHINGTON, Circuit Justice. This point was settled in the case of Craig v. Cummins [Case No. 3,331], decided in this court, in January, 1811. The judgment must therefore be arrested.

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