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It was of course the case that appeals, which were provocations to combat, had to be made at once. "If he leaves the court without appealing," says Beaumanoir, "he loses his appeal, and holds the verdict as good." [1] This subsisted, even after all the restrictions on judiciary combat. [2]

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[1] Ch. lxiii, p. 327, *Ibid.*, ch. lxi, p. 312.

[2] See *Establishments of St. Louis*, book II, ch. xv (Ordinance of Charles VII of 1453).