

EASEMENTS AND APPURTENANCES.

the wall for building purposes, the Court held that the right to use the wall for that purpose passed under the above sub-lease, irrespective of the habendum; that the plot of ground originally leased by J. M. to P. T. was specifically stamped and impressed with the right to use the wall in controversy, and that what was conveyed to the defendant was the plot of ground so stamped and impressed.

But it frequently happens, especially in cases of tenancies from year to year, that lands are let without any writing whatever. What then becomes of the easements? It appears that in Great Britain and Ireland, notwithstanding some conflict of authorities, those easements which are usually enjoyed with, and are essential to the convenient occupation of lands, will pass by a parol demise when, at the time of the demise, the easements existed and were in use. The principle upon which this rule proceeds is that, when a person grants a house or land, he impliedly grants everything that is indispensable for the full enjoyment of the subject-matter of such grant. This principle has been exemplified in several cases which, though not cases of parol demises, are similar to them. In the familiar case of *Pyer v. Carter*, 1 H. & N. 916, the owner of two adjoining houses sold and conveyed one of them to a purchaser, and it was held that the house so sold was entitled to the benefit, and was subject to the burden, of all existing drains communicating with the other house, although there was no express grant or reservation for that purpose. In *Ewart v. Cochrane*, 4 Macqueen 122, the respondents, who were the owners of a tan-yard, were held to be entitled to use a conduit leading to a cesspool on the appellant's property, without an express grant of such right. Lord Campbell, L.C., in giving judgment, said:—"I consider the law of Scotland, as well as the law of England, to be that when two properties are possessed by the same owner, and there has been a severance made of part from the other, anything which was used and was necessary for the comfortable enjoyment of that part of the property which is granted, shall be considered to follow from the grant, if there are the usual words in the conveyance. I do not know whether the usual words are essentially necessary, but where there are the usual words I cannot

doubt that that is the law." He afterwards added—"When I say it was necessary I do not mean that it was so essentially necessary that the property could have no value whatever without this easement, but I mean that it was necessary for the convenient and comfortable enjoyment of the property as it existed before the time of the grant." And in *Watts v. Kelson*, L. R. 6 Ch. 166, it was decided that if the owner of a house and land makes a formed road over the land for the apparent use of the house, and then conveys the house separately from the land with the ordinary general words, a right of way over the road will pass. The above principle was recently extended to the case of a parol demise by the Court of Common Pleas in Ireland in *Clancy v. Byrne*, 11 Ir. L. T. R. 94. The action was for disturbance of a right of way. It was proved at the trial that the plaintiff held two pieces of land under two landlords—one portion as tenant from year to year under G., and the other as tenant for lives or years under A. There was an accommodation pass from the plaintiff's house to the high road over part of the defendant's land. It was for some distance a well-defined carway as far as a certain kiln, and from the kiln to the defendant's house the way was undefined, but from his house to the high road it was a well-defined carway. In 1857 the plaintiff's father obtained a lease from A. for three lives or thirty-one years of adjoining land, called M., through which there was a way to the high road, and the distance from the plaintiff's house through these lands to the high road was shorter than the way in dispute, but portion of this way was over swampy ground, and was difficult to use. The defendant had been in possession for two years as tenant from year to year under G., prior to which time he was in possession as caretaker for G. of the lands. It was proved by the plaintiff that the user of the way with horses and carts had been enjoyed by the plaintiff, his father, and grand-father for over sixty years; and the jury found for the plaintiff, that he had used the way as of right. The Court refused to set aside the verdict, upon the ground that, if at the time the landlord let the farm this means of access to the high road existed, and if the landlord demised the farm with the appurtenances and the easements, the way would pass, and that, too, although