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and King *George* the Second.

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Rex et Regina v. Episcopum Cestr. Piers & Scroope.

Error. C. B. Quare impedit. Rot. 705, 706.

S. C. With the arguments of counsel well reported Skinn. 651. Arguments of Counsel. 5 Mod. 297. Declaration post. vol. 3. p. 252.

Queen Elizabeth seized in gross of the advowson of the church of Bedall.

14 Feb. 12 regni presented Tyms by her letters patents, Prout patet by the instrument of the letters patent in Chancery: who was admitted, &c.

The queen died seized of the advowson; by which it descended to James I. who was seized in gross. The church became void by the death of Tyms. James I. 13 July 19 regni, presented John Wilson;

PLACITA irrotulata coram Georgio Treby milite et sociis suis justiciariis domini regis et dominae reginae, de termino sancti Michaelis, anno regni dicti domini regis et dictae dominae reginae dei gratia Angliae, &c. sexto. Ebor. ff. Nicolaus episcopus Cestrinensis Richardus Piers armiger, et Richardus Scroope clericus summoniti fuerunt ad respondendum domino regi et dominae reginae nunc de placito quod permittat ipsos dominum regem et dominam reginam praesentare idcirco eam personam ecclesiae de Bedall quae vacat et ad suam spectat donationem, &c. et unde Edwardus Ward miles attornatus dictorum domini regis et dominae reginae nunc generalis qui pro eisdem domino rege et domina regina in hac parte sequitur pro praedictis domino rege et domina regina dicit, quod domina Elizabetha nuper regina Angliae fuit seista de advocacione ecclesiae praedictae ut de uno grosso per se ut de feodo et jure in jure coronae suae Angliae, et sic inde seista existens ad ecclesiam illam vacantem per literas suas patentes sub magno sigillo suo Angliae sigillatas gerentes datum apud Westmonasterium in comitatu Middlesexiae decimo quarto die Februarii anno regni ejusdem nuper reginae duodecimo praesentavit quendam Johannem Tyms clericum suum prout per recordum irrotulamenti dictarum literarum patentium in curia cancellariae dictorum domini regis et dominae reginae nunc apud Westmonasterium praedictum remanens plenius apparet, qui quidem Johannes Tyms ad praedictam praesentationem praefatae nuper reginae fuit admissus institutus et inductus in eodem tempore poe tempore dictae nuper reginae, praedictaque nuper regina de advocacione ecclesiae praedictae ut praefertur seista existente, eadem nuper regina postea apud Westmonasterium praedictum de tali statu suo de et in advocacione ecclesiae praedictae ut praefertur seista obiit, post cujus quidem nuper reginae mortem advocatio ecclesiae praedictae descendeat Jacobo nuper regi Angliae primo, per quod praedictus nuper rex Jacobus primus fuit seistus de advocacione ecclesiae praedictae ut de uno grosso per se ut de feodo et jure in jure coronae suae Angliae, et sic inde seisto existente, ecclesia praedicta vacavit per mortem praedicti Johannes Tyms, per quod idem nuper rex Jacobus primus ad ecclesiam illam sic vacantem per literas suas patentes sub magno sigillo suo Angliae sigillatas gerentes datum apud Westmonasterium praedictum decimo tertio die Julii anno regni ejusdem nuper regis Jacobi primi Angliae, &c. decimo nono praesentavit quendam Johannem Wilson theologiae professorem clericum suum, prout per recordum irrotulamenti

menti dictarum literarum patentium ultimo mentionatarum in praedicta curia cancellariae dictorum domini regis et dominae reginae nunc apud Westmonasterium praedictum remanens plenius apparet, qui quidem Johannes Wilson ad praedictam praesentationem praefati nuper regis Jacobi primi fuit admissus, institutus et inductus in eodem tempore pacis tempore dicti nuper regis Jacobi primi, praedictoque nuper rege Jacobo primo de advocacione ecclesiae praedictae ut praefertur seifito existente, idem nuper rex postea apud Westmonasterium praedictum de tali statu suo inde seifitus obiit, post cujus quidem nuper regis Jacobi primi mortem advocatio ecclesiae praedictae descendebat Carolo nuper regi Angliae primo ut filio et haeredi praedicti nuper regis Jacobi primi, per quod praedictus nuper rex Carolus primus fuit seifitus de advocacione ecclesiae praedictae ut de uno grosso per se ut de feodo et jure in jure coronae suae Angliae, et sic inde seifito existente, ecclesiae praedicta vacavit per mortem praedicti Johannis Wilson, per quod idem nuper rex Carolus primus ad ecclesiam illam sic vacantem per literas suas patentes sub magno sigillo suo Angliae sigillatas gerentes datum apud Westmonasterium sexto die Martii anno regni ejusdem nuper regis Caroli primi decimo praesentavit quendam Henricum Wickham sacrae theologiae professorem clericum suum prout per recordum irrotulamenti dictarum literarum patentium ultimo mentionatarum in praedicta curia cancellariae dictorum domini regis et dominae reginae nunc apud Westmonasterium remanens plenius apparet, qui quidem Henricus Wickham ad praedictam praesentationem praefati nuper regis Caroli primi fuit admissus, institutus et inductus in eadem tempore pacis tempore dicti nuper regis Caroli primi, praedictoque nuper rege Carolo primo de advocacione ecclesiae praedictae ut praefertur seifito existente, ecclesia praedicta vacavit per mortem praedicti Henrici Wickham, quodque quidam Johannes Piers armiger ad eandem ecclesiam sic vacantem, jus praesentandi non habens ad eandem, sed usurpando super dominum nuper regem Carolum primum, praesentavit quendam Willelmum Metcalfe clericum suum, qui ad praesentationem praedicti Johannis Piers fuit admissus, institutus et inductus in eadem, posteaque praedictus nuper rex Carolus primus de advocacione ecclesiae praedictae ut praefertur seifitus existens apud Westmonasterium praedictum de tali statu suo inde ut praefertur seifitus obiit, post cujus mortem advocatio ecclesiae praedictae descendebat Carolo nuper regi Angliae secundo ut filio et haeredi praedicti nuper regis Caroli primi, per quod praedictus nuper rex Carolus secundus seifitus fuit de advocacione ecclesiae praedictae ut de uno grosso per se ut de feodo et jure in jure coronae suae Angliae, et sic inde seifito existente, ecclesia praedicta vacavit per mortem praedicti Willelmi Metcalfe, per quod praedictus nuper rex Carolus secundus ad ecclesiam illam sic vacantem per literas suas patentes sub magno sigillo suo Angliae sigillatas gerentes datum apud Westmonasterium vicesimo octavo die Augusti anno regni ejusdem nuper regis Caroli secundi duodecimo praesentavit quendam Petrum

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James I. died.
Whereby the advowson descended to Charles I.

The church became void by the death of Wilson.

K. Charles I.
10 Mar. 10.
regni presented Dr. Henry Wickham.

Who was admitted.

The church became void by the death of Wickham.

John Piers by usurpation upon the king presented William Metcalfe.

Who was admitted, &c.
Charles I. dies.

Whereby the advowson descends to Charles II.

The church void by the death of Metcalfe.

Charles II. 28 Aug. 12 regni presents Peter S. mway s.

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mitted, &c.

Charles II. dies,

whereby the ad-
vowson descends
to James II.

James II. abdi-
cates.

Whereby the
advowson de-
volves upon W.
and M.

The church be-
comes void by
the death of
Samwayes.

Samwayes sacrae theologiae professorem clericum suum, prout per recordum irrotulamenti dictarum literarum patentium ultimo mentionatarum in praedicta curia cancellariae dictorum domini regis et dominae reginae nunc apud Westmonasterium praedictum remanens plenius apparet, qui quidem Petrus Samwayes ad praedictum praesentationem praedicti nuper regis Caroli secundi fuit admissus, institutus et inductus in eadem tempore pacis tempore dicti nuper regis Caroli secundi, praedictoque nuper rege Carolo secundo de advocacione ecclesiae praedictae ut praefertur seisisso existente, idem nuper rex Carolus secundus postea apud Westmonasterium praedictum de tali statu suo inde seisitus obiit, post cujus mortem advocatio ecclesiae praedictae descendeat Jacobo nuper regi Angliae secundo ut fratri et haeredi praedicti nuper regis Caroli secundi, per quod praedictus nuper rex Jacobus secundus fuit seisitus de advocacione ecclesiae praedictae ut de uno grosso per se ut de feodo et jure in jure coronae suae Angliae, qui quidem nuper rex Jacobus secundus de advocacione praedicta ut praefertur seisitus de regimine hujus regni Angliae se demisit, per quod advocatio praedicta eisdem domino regi et dominae reginae nunc devenit, per quod iidem dominus rex et domina regina nunc fuerunt et adhuc existunt seisiti de advocacione ecclesiae praedictae ut de uno grosso per se ut de feodo et jure in jure coronae suae Angliae, et sic inde seisisis-existentibus, ecclesia praedicta vocavit per mortem Samwayes; whereupon it belongs to the king and queen to present, and the defendants hindred them, &c.

The bishop claims nothing but an ordinary, therefore judgment is given against him with a *cesset executio*, &c.

The defendant *Piers* confesses by his plea, *quod bene et verum est*, that *Charles I.* was seised of this advowson in gros, and that he presented Dr. *Henry Wickham* his chaplain; but he farther says, that *Charles I.* being seised as aforesaid, by his letters patent dated the nineteenth of July 14th of his reign (which he pleads with a *profert in curia*) *ex speciali gratia et mero motu* granted the said advowson *Willelmo Theaxton tunc armigero postea militi*, to him and his heirs, by virtue whereof *Theaxton* was seised in gros, and being so seised the church became void by the death of *Wickham*; whereupon *John Piers* father of the defendant, not having any right, but upon usurpation upon *Theaxton*, presented *William Metcalfe*, who was instituted and inducted, upon which *Piers* became seised of the advowson in gros by usurpation, and *William Theaxton*, then being created knight, released to *Piers* and his heirs all his right, interest, &c. in the said advowson; that *Piers* being seised in fee died, whereby the advowson descended to the defendant *Richard Piers* as son and heir, whereby he was seised in gros, and being so seised, the church became void by the death of *Metcalfe*,

Metcalf, and continuing void for a year and a half, King *Charles II.* presented Dr. *Samways* by lapse, who was instituted and inducted; that Dr. *Samways* is dead, upon which the defendant presented the other defendant *Scroope* [who is also since dead] and then he traverses, *absque hoc* that *Charles I.* died seised.

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The defendant *Scroope* pleaded the same plea.

The attorney general craves oyer of the letters patent, which being entered in *hanc verba*, recited that Queen *Elizabeth* by her letters patent dated the 20th of *February* the thirteenth of her reign *inter alia* granted to the earl of *Warwick* and his heirs the manor of *Bedall* and other lands late the possessions of *Simon Digby* attainted of high treason, with all messuages, &c. and among other general words, *omnes advocaciones et jura patronatus ecclesiarum in Bedall, et alia dicto manerio de Bedall spectantia vel quomodo pertinentia*; then the letters patent recite, that King *James I.* the eighteenth of *August* in the seventh of his reign granted the rent reserved by the patent of Queen *Elizabeth* to Sir *Christopher Hatton* and *Needham*; and then they recite, that all these premises by good and sufficient assurances were vested in Sir *William Theaxton*; then king *Charles I.* confirms to Sir *William Theaxton* and his heirs the said manor of *Bedall* and the rent, and all advowsons appertaining to the manor; *cumque praedictus Willelmus Theaxton virtute praedictarum literarum patentium eidem comiti Warwick de praemissis ut praefertur saecularum advocacionem ecclesiae de Bedall praedictam, vel jus praesentandi ad ecclesiam illam secundum tenorem et intentionem earundem literarum patentium habere clamat sibi haeredibus et assignatis suis*; and forasmuch as we before this time presented one *John Wilson* to the said church of *Bedall* by lapse, and afterwards the church being void by the death of *Wilson*, we presented Dr. *Wickham pleno jure*; and then they recite, that *Theaxton* to recover his right and presentation sued a *quare impedit* against the bishop of *Chester* and *Wickham*, in which issue was joined; but that afterwards an agreement was made between *Theaxton* and *Wickham*, that *Theaxton* should desist from his suit, and permit Dr. *Wickham* to enjoy it during his life, and afterwards *Theaxton* and his heirs should present as often as the church should be void; and the king recites that he was informed of this agreement by Dr. *Wickham* his chaplain; *nos igitur volentes*, that the said presentations of *Wilson* and *Wickham*, or of either of them, or their institution and induction, should not prejudice the lawful right of *Theaxton* and his heirs, to present to the said church for the time to come; *intentione nostra ulterius existit*, That *Theaxton* his heirs and assigns should freely and peaceably enjoy the advowson of the said church *secundum tenorem et veram intentionem praedictarum*

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literarum patentium per praedictam nuper reginam Elizabetham praefato comiti Warwick ut praefertur confectarum, aliquo defectu seu aliquibus defectibus in eisdem literis patentibus non obstantibus; sciatis igitur, quod dedimus et concessimus advocatorem praedictae ecclesiae de Bedall, necnon medietatem advocacionis illius ecclesiae, et totum jus, titulum, et clameum, quaecunque, &c. quae quovismodo habemus, vel habere poterimus, to the said advowson; then follows a general non obstante of the omission of the mention of the true value or of any former grant, &c.

The traverse of part of a title must be induced by an inconsistent title. Vide 3 Salk. 353. Com. Pleader. G. 20. 2d. Ed. vol. 5. p. 121. A void grant by the owner of an advowson is not a sufficient inducement to a traverse that he died seised.

The attorney general after this *oyer* of the letters patent demurs, and shews for cause, that the defendant *Piers* has not sufficiently induced his traverse. The defendants join in demurrer. And in the common pleas judgment was given for the king and queen, by *Treby* chief justice, *Nevill*, and *Powell senior*, justices. Upon which error was brought in *B. R.* and this case was argued by serjeant *Pemberton* and ——— for the plaintiffs in error, and by Mr. *Place* and the attorney general for the king; and afterwards solemnly argued on the bench, in this term by all the judges; and two points were made in this case.

The truth of an immaterial allegation is not admitted by pleading over. S. C. Salk. 560. 5 Mod. 297. Semb. acc. Salk. 91. Str. 298. and vide ante 18. H. Bl. 62. Com. Pleader. Q. 6. 2d. Ed. vol. 5. p. 139.

In a quare impedit the exact period in a particular reign when a man was seized or presented, is immaterial. S. C. Salk. 560. 5 Mod. 297.

Letters patent may be pleaded in the court in which they are enrolled without a profer. D. acc. 5 Co. 74 b. But not elsewhere. Sed vide *Ford v. Burnham*. Barnes 4to. Ed. 340. Dougl. 215. 1 Term Rep. 149, 150.

Upon *oyer* every intendment must be made in favour of the instrument produced. Vide Cro. Jac. 679. pl. 17.

Under a grant from the crown of all advowsons appendant to a manor, an advowson in gross will not pass. Vide Moor. 45. Hob. 323. 2 Mod. 2.

Though it has the reputation of appendancy.

Dropping a quare impedit in favour of a person presented by the king without the king's knowledge, is a good consideration for a grant from the crown, though the plaintiff had in strictness no right to the presentation.

Words expressing an intent that the patentee shall enjoy the subject of it at all events, will make a patent of confirmation operate as a grant *de novo*. S. C. 5 Mod. 297. R. acc. 8 Co. 166. b. See also 8 Co. 167. a. 1 Mod. 195.

A false recital in an immaterial point will not vitiate the king's grant. D. acc. Lane 75. 109. 2 Co. 34. b. Vide Hob. 203. 223. 1 Co. 43. a. 6 Co. 55. b. ante 50.

Under a patent from the crown, reciting that the patentee claimed an advowson under a former patent, that the crown had notwithstanding afterwards presented once by lapse, and then pleno jure; that the patentee had upon the latter presentation brought a quare impedit to recover his right and presentation, and dropped it on an agreement with the person presented by the crown that such person should enjoy during his life, and that from thenceforth the presentation should belong to the patentee and his heirs; of which agreement the crown had afterwards been informed, that the crown was unwilling that its presentation should prejudice the patentee's lawful right, and intended that he should enjoy the advowson according to the true intent of the former patent, any defect therein notwithstanding, and granting the advowson *de novo*, with all the claim and title of the crown thereto, the patentee shall have the advowson, though it did not pass under the first patent.

The validity of one patent cannot be decided upon from the recital of it in another.

A man may take by the addition of knight, though he is really no knight. S. C. 12. Mod. 185. 187. Carth. 440, 441. Salk. 560. 3 Salk. 236. Holt 493. Semb. cont. Bro. Grant. 50. D. cont. arg. 4. H. 6. 1. b. Vide 1 Bullstr. 21. Cro. Jac. 240. Litt. Rep. 181. 197. 223. W. Jon. 215. Cro. Car. 271. Hob. 129.

1. If the letters patent of king *Charles I.* passed the advowson to Sir *William Theaxton* and his heirs.

2. If the grant shewn upon the *oyer* can be intended the same grant with that which was pleaded.

And as to the first point *Turton* justice argued, that the letters patent of *Charles I.* could not pass the advowson to Sir *William Theaxton* and his heirs.

And he said, that he would consider the case abstracted from the letters patent.

And secondly as it was upon the record with them:

And 1. he was of opinion, that if the defendant had not pleaded these letters patent with a *proferit in curia*, as he had no need to do, *Cro. Jac.* 317. that then the plea had sufficiently confessed and avoided the plaintiff's declaration, and the alledging of the grant to *Theaxton* in fee had been a good inducement, to traverse the dying seised of King *Charles I.* *Jones* 11, 12. *Winch.* 13, 14.

2. He was of opinion, that this advowson ought to be taken as an advowson in gross. 1. Because the king has declared that queen *Elizabeth* was seised in gross, which the defendant has not denied, but has admitted it. 2. Because the defendant has not only admitted it, but he has also confessed it; for he says *quod bene et verum est, quod Carolus primus devenit seistus modo et forma*, as is specified in the declaration, and in the declaration it is shewn, that the queen was seised in gross; so that it is as full a confession, as if he had confessed it *in terminis*. 3. It must be in gross, because if it had been appendant, it would have passed to the earl of *Warwick* by the letters patent of the queen, and then the queen had not died seised of it, as is alleged in the declaration.

2. He considered the case as it was upon the record together with the letters patent, and in that consideration two questions arise.

1. If the advowson passed by the letters patent of queen *Elizabeth* to the earl of *Warwick*.

2. If not, yet if it passed by the letters patent of king *Charles I.* to Sir *William Theaxton*.

And as to the first he was of opinion, that this advowson did not pass to the earl of *Warwick* by the letters patent of the queen; 1. Because the queen was seised thereof in gross, and she grants it as appendant, and so she was deceived in her grant. 2. It does not appear that the queen intended, that this advowson should pass; for it is comprised only in the general words *advocationes et jura ecclesiarum, &c.* And probably if the queen had intended, that this advowson should pass, the church being of great value, she would have granted it by express name.

Objection. It shall be intended to have been appendant.

Answer. That intendment cannot be admitted against the record.

2. Admit-

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When the king
is deceived, his
grant is void.
Vide Lane, 109.
3 Leon. 119 pl.
200. 1 Mod.
255, 196, 197,
ante 50. Com.
Dig. Grant. G.
8, 9. 2d. Ed.
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450.

2. Admitting that it did not pass by the letters patent of the queen to the earl of *Warwick*, then if it passed by the letters patent of king *Charles I.* to Sir *William Theaxton*. And he was of opinion, that it did not. 1. Because upon consideration of the recital of the letters patent it appears, that the king's intent was only to confirm the old title of Sir *William Theaxton*, and not to give him a new title, but that he would have such estate as the earl of *Warwick* had of the grant of the queen. For the clause in which the grant is contained is not independent of the precedent clause, but is coupled with it and the recitals by the illative conjunction *igitur*. 2 *Brownl.* 232. And in effect the design of the king seems to be only to prevent any prejudice that his presentations might have done to *Theaxton's* title under the earl of *Warwick*. 2. One ought to take care that the king be not deceived, for when he is deceived the grant is void. 5 *Co.* 93. b. 1 *Co.* 43. a. b. Lane 75. 2 *Roll. Abr.* 188, 189. 17 *Vin.* 98. to 108. Now here the king is deceived, for the king imagined, that *Theaxton* had a right to the advowson, when in truth he had none at all; and therefore the grant founded upon such false consideration is void. Besides, that a false recital in letters patent will render the king's grant void, *Hob.* 203, 204. Now it is recited in these letters patent, that *Theaxton* claimed, &c. which according to (a) 2 *Co.* 90. ought to be intended a lawful claim; whereas it appears before, that he had no title to the advowson; and for this cause the grant is void. 3. No notice is taken in any of the letters patent, that this advowson was in gross; and therefore that vitiates the grant. And for these reasons he concluded, that the letters patent of king *Charles I.* did not pass the advowson to Sir *William Theaxton* and his heirs.

But against this it was argued by *Holt* chief justice, and *Rokeby* justice, that this grant of *Charles I.* was good. And *Holt* chief justice said, that the principal ground upon which the judges of the common pleas gave their opinion was, that they took it as admitted, that this advowson was in gross in the reign of queen *Elizabeth* at the time of the grant to the earl of *Warwick*.

And as to that he was of opinion, that it is not admitted upon this record, that queen *Elizabeth* was seised in gross at the time of the grant to the earl.

2. Admit that it was then in gross in the queen, yet he was of opinion, that it passed by the letters patent of *Charles I.* to *Theaxton*.

As to the first, the case is thus. The attorney general declares that queen *Elizabeth* 14th of February, 12th of her reign, was seised of this advowson in gross, and then presented *Tyms*, prout by the inrolment of the letters patent in chancery nunc apud *Westmonasterium remanens plenius ap-*

(a) I can find nothing in 2 *Co.* 90. to warrant this quotation.

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parat. Now though the defendant admits *Charles I.* to have been seised of this advowson in gros by descent, and consequently that queen *Elizabeth* was seised in gros of it at some time of her reign; yet he does not admit it at the precise time of the 14th of *February*, 12 of her reign; because the alleging of the time and day when queen *Elizabeth* was seised in gros is surplusage and immaterial; for it is sufficient to allege general seisin in a *quare impedit* in time of peace in the reign of such a king. Then though the defendant does not deny a thing, yet he admits by it only things materially alleged, but he does not admit things immaterially alleged. Then if he has not admitted the seisin in gros, and presentation of *Tyms* 14th of *February*, 12th of the reign of *Elizabeth*; then the advowson may have been appendant to the manor of *Bedall* at the time of the grant to the earl of *Warwick*, and so might well pass by the letters patent. The time of the seisin and presentation is not traversable, and all the precedents never allege the day of the seisin or of the presentation. Then if it is so immaterial, that one cannot deny it, the not denying it will not amount to an admittance. Besides, that nothing that is immaterial, though it be admitted, will amount to an estoppel. If the defendant had shewn another title in his plea, and had traversed the presentation of *Tyms*, *modo et forma*, and it had appeared upon the evidence at the trial, that the queen had presented in the 43d year of her reign; that would have maintained the issue, and the verdict must have been against the defendant. In actions of trespass and battery, where it is necessary to shew a time in the declaration, evidence of a trespass at any other time before the action brought will maintain the issue. *A. fortiori* in this case, where there is no need to allege a time; so that it would be very unjust, to conclude a man by his admittance of a thing which he could not traverse, or if he could, is not material to be proved. And though it is an admittance of a seisin in gros in queen *Elizabeth* in some time of her reign, yet there was time enough in her long reign for usurpations after the letters patent, by virtue of which she might have presented *Tyms*. 2. There is art here in the pleading of the inrolment of the letters patent of presentation in chancery, for they thought that they could not be denied; but that is of no signification, for if the letters patent are inrolled in the same court where the plea is, one may plead them without shewing them, but if they are inrolled in another court one cannot plead the inrolment, without making a *profert* of an exemplification of them under the great seal. Now if the declaration had been without artifice in the usual manner, *viz.* in the time of peace, &c. and the defendant had pleaded as he has done here upon *oyer* of the letters patent, it had been a good

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An immaterial allegation cannot operate as an estoppel. *Re* acc. T. Jones, 170. T. Raym. 456. Fitz. Estoppel, 69. 247. D. acc. Co. Litt. 352. b. Vide Com. Estoppel, E. 6. 2d. Ed. vol. 3. p. 274.

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good title for the defendant, because the defendant would not be obliged to aver that this advowson was appendant, for the contrary, viz. that it was in gross in the queen at the time of the grant of the earl of *Warwick*, would not appear; and all things upon *oyer* shall be intended to make the grant good, if nothing to the contrary appears.

2. Admit that it was not appendant at the time of the grant to the earl of *Warwick*; yet he was of opinion, that this advowson passed by the letters patent of king *Charles I.*

1. By, him, the grant is full and exprefs.

2. No suggestion in the patent is false unless that which says, that *Wilson* was presented by king *Charles* by lapse; nor it is said, that the advowson passed by the letters patent of the queen.

3. Where it is said that *Theaxton* claimed it by virtue of the patent of the queen, that must not be intended lawful claim; for if a man claims an advowson by colour of a void patent, and the king presents, and afterwards in consideration that the other will permit his clerk to enjoy during his life, the king grants the advowson to the other and his heirs, and the other permits the king's clerk to enjoy it during his life; it is a good consideration, and the patent is good.

Objection. It is said in the recital of the patent of *Charles I.* that *Theaxton* sued *a quare impedit*, to recover *suam presentationem*.

Answer. That is only the suggestion of the writ.

4. It is supposed and admitted by the letters patent of *Charles I.* that the patent of *Elizabeth* might be void, yet the king declares, that it was his true intent, that *Theaxton* and his heirs should enjoy it notwithstanding any defects in the letters patent, and then proceeds to the absolute grant of the advowson to *Theaxton* and his heirs. There are stronger cases, where the intent of the king has been to confirm letters patent that were void, yet if his intent has also appeared, to grant the thing *de novo*, the letters patent have been adjudged good and the grant also. *Hil. 22. & 23 Car. 2. in scaccario* in the time of chief baron *Hale*, the case between *Atkins* and *Holford* was thus; king *Edward 3.* by his letters patent, reciting that king *John* had by his charter granted to the abbot and convent of *Thistleworth* *returna brevium*, and reciting that it had been found by inquisition, that the abbot and convent usurped the franchise of the crown, so that the franchise was reverted in the crown; first *Edward III.* confirms the charter of king *John*, and then goes on and grants to the abbot and convent *returna brevium*; it was agreed in that case, that the charter of king *John* was void; and it might have been objected, that king *Edward III.* esteemed the charter of king *John* good, and that the inquisition was false, and therefore he intended

intended only to make restitution of the franchise that was revealed in the crown; but it was adjudged, that though the grant of king *John* was void, yet the grant of *Edward III.* was good, because the intention of the king appeared to pass to the abbot and convent the *returna brevium*. And this case he cited as a case in point.

Objection. This clause is qualified by the *secundum tenorem et veram intentionem literarum patentium* of the queen, &c.

Answer. That intent is not to be understood of that which actually passed, but of that which was designed to pass; for the patents of *Charles I.* suppose a defect in those of the queen; so that it is not construed a legal intent, but a moral intent. If this advowson at the time of the queen's grant had the reputation to be appendant, the queen might well have intended to pass it, though in strictness of law if it was in gross it could not pass. A manor in reputation

may pass by the name of a manor in grants, between common persons, 6 Co. 63. a. 64. b. though perhaps the law may be otherwise in the case of advowsons. If a man seised of a manor to which an advowson is appendant, mortgages the manor in fee, excepting the advowson; if the money is paid at the day, the advowson is become again appendant; but if the money is paid after the day, it will have the reputation of appendancy, but in truth it is not appendant. It might be that this advowson was appendant before the queen presented *Tjms*, and was then severed, but retained afterwards the reputation of appendancy; and if in this case the grant was of the manor with the advowson appendant, this reputation might be sufficient to justify the intent of the letters patent, that it was intended to be passed. Besides, that in this case it does not appear, that there was any other advowson but *Bedall* appendant to this manor, which is a foundation of a very strong presumption of the queen's intent to pass it. He said farther, that he had searched in the history of this church, and it seemed to him, that it was appendant to the manor at the time of Queen *Elizabeth's* grant. See Co. Entr. 477. b. tit. *quare imp. pl. 2.* It appears, that this advowson was appendant to this manor in the time of *Edward III.* afterwards a man was seised in fee of the manor of *Bedall*, to which this advowson was appendant, and it descended to two coparceners, so that then it was appendant by turns, one time to the one moiety, and the other time to the other moiety; one moiety of it came to the lord *Lovel* in fee, who was attainted of treason in the time of *Henry VII.* by which *Henry VII.* was seised of it in fee; afterwards *Henry VII.* gave this moiety to the ancestor of *Digby* in tail, from whom it came to *Simon Digby*, who in the time of queen *Elizabeth* committed treason, and then the church became void, and the queen presented, and then *Digby* was attainted;

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If an appendant is excepted out of a mortgage of the principal, on the forfeiture of the mortgage, the appendancy is destroyed. S. P. 3 Salk. 24. 40. Vide ante 198.

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puts the parti-
cular tenant out
of possession of
an appendant,
the appendancy
will revive when
the particular
estate deter-
mines.

tainted : so that the case is thus ; tenant in tail of a manor, to which an advowson is appendant, reversion to the queen in fee ; tenant in tail commits treason, then the queen in reversion usurps, by this the advowson is in the queen in gross, afterwards tenant in tail is attainted, the advowson is become appendant again ; for the appendancy was not destroyed by the usurpation, for though it was severed from the estate tail, yet it was not severed from the fee ; then by the attainder the estate tail is wholly extinct, and the queen is seised in her reverter. As if there is tenant for life of a manor to which an advowson is appendant, the reversion in fee to *A. A.* usurps upon the tenant for life, the advowson is become in gross, but if the tenant for life dies, it is become appendant again. *Hob. 323, Sir William Elwis's case.* So that though the queen might have been seised in gross, when she presented *Tym*s, yet the advowson might have been appendant at the time of the grant to the earl of *Warwick*. And the surer way here to have come to the right, had been to have taken issue upon the traverses, and not to have laid snares to trap men's rights, which judges ought to discourage.

Objection. There is a false suggestion, that king *Charles I.* presented *Wilson* by lapse, where in truth king *James I.* presented him *pleno jure*.

Answer. Every false recital in a thing not material will not vitiate the king's grant, if it appears that it was his intent to grant the thing ; now here the king would not hazard the title of *Wickham*, and therefore took this means to determine the controversy, by the confirmation of *Theaxton's* right, if there was any in him, or if he had no right, to give him a right. And the consideration is sufficient if *Theaxton* had no right, viz. the desisting from the suit, whether he had right of suit or not. And he compared it to *1 Co. 43. a. 6 Co. 55. a.* surrender of letters patent &c. It is not material to *Theaxton* whether king *James I.* presented by lapse, or *pleno jure* ; and every little mistake in an immaterial point will not avoid the king's grant, if the intent appears, and the substance is performed.

An immaterial
mistake will not
avoid the king's
grant if his in-
tent remains

apparent. R. acc. 1 Roll. Rep. 23. D. acc. 1 Mod. 196.

Besides, if the judges adjudge these letters patent of *Charles I.* void, it will avoid the letters patent of queen *Elizabeth*, which are not before the court ; and one cannot adjudge letters patent void, which appear only by recital. And farther the letters patent of the queen might have words general enough to convey the advowson in gross : for the recital says, that the queen *inter alia* granted ; now it may be, that the letters patent of the queen contain these words, viz. *aut existentes in Bedall* ; and those words would pass the advowson in gross ; and if that had appeared in evidence upon issue joined, the verdict would have been for the defendant. 1 Mod. 195.

Objection

Objection. The granting part of the letters patent must relate to the recitals.

Answer. If it appears by the recitals, that the king has intent to pass nothing in which he had profit, but only what was detained by concealment from him, the recital will qualify the general words of the grant, because it appears that his intent was not to diminish the revenues of the crown. But if there are words in the grant which shew that the king intended to pass the land, although it was not concealed, the grant will be good to pass the land which was not concealed. *Hardr.* 231. pl. 7. And for these reasons he was of opinion, that this advowson passed by the letters patent of *Charles I.* *Eyre* justice declared that he was of the same opinion. But he did not argue this point, because the other point which follows was, as he said, an unfurmountable obstacle.

As to the second point, whether the grant shewn upon the *oyer* can be the same grant with that which was pleaded, by reason of a variance. For the defendant pleaded a grant *Willelmo Theaxton tunc armigero postea militi*, and upon the *oyer* the grant appears to be *Willelmo Theaxton militi*. *Rokeby* justice was of opinion, that there was a sufficient demonstration of the person, and that nothing appeared in the record to induce the court to intend that *William Theaxton* esquire and *William Theaxton* knight were two distinct persons, but that they were the same person; for (by him) the dignity does not change the man; and it is only in this case a mistake in an adverb of time. And as to the objection, that if one makes a grant to a man by the stile of knight, who is but an esquire, the grant is void. He answered, that it is a maxim, that *veritas demonstrationis tollit errorem nominis*.

2. (By him) if a grant be made to a man by the name of knight, if he is not a knight, yet the grant is good, if it may *constare de persona*. And in *Littleton's reports* 181, 197, 223. *W. Jon.* 215. it is the opinion of all, that the mistake of an addition will not avoid a grant, if it may *constare de persona*. And therefore he was of opinion, that the judgment given in the common pleas ought to be reversed.

But *Holt* chief justice, *Turton* and *Eyre* justices, argued against *Rokeby* justice in this point. For by *Holt* chief justice, a grant to *William Theaxton* esquire, by the name of *William Theaxton* knight, is void; 1. Because knight is part of the name of a man; 2. It is a name of dignity, which is part of the name of a man as much as a *Christian*

3. 23. a. pl. 39. *Hutt.* 41. D. acc. Bro. Additions, 58. 21 Ed. 4. 72. a. 2 Inf. 591. post. 859. Semb. acc. Bro. names, 33. long quinto. 106. b.

Knight is a title of dignity. D. acc. Bro. Additions, 44. long quinto. 106. b. 2 Inf. 594. 1 Bl. Com. 403, 404. Semb. acc. 9 Co. 49. b. Cro. Car. 271. Hob. 129.

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Where it appears from the recital of a patent that the king means only to convey a right concealed from him, the recital shall control any general words in the patent. S. P. Salk. 560. Skinn. 663. R. acc. 10 Co. 109. a. But it is otherwise where a contrary intent appears. S. P. Salk. 560. Skinn. 663.

A title of dignity is part of a man's name. R. acc. 8. Ed.

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name. So that if a man be stiled of another dignity than that of which he is, it is ill. And as to the *demonstratio personae* objected by *Rokeby*, *Holt* answered, that it ought to appear upon the face of the grant; for otherwise the allegation of the party, that he is the same person, signifies nothing. The name of esquire is merged by the accession of the name of knight, so that he who is a knight, can never be called esquire afterwards, which is but a name of worship. 6 Hen. 4. 8. Seld. tit. hon. 683. 9.

Objection. Sir *William Theaxton* might be a reputed knight, and not a real knight; and a name by reputation is sufficient for purchases.

Answer. A knight reputed, and who is not a real knight, is no knight at all, and cannot take by that name. 2 If there was such a reputation, the defendant should have shewn it.

In all cases of reputation there ought to be some foundation for such reputation, which could not be in this case. It is agreed, that a bastard in legal understanding has no father nor mother; nevertheless, some of them must know their mother well enough; yet a grant to a bastard by the name of such a woman is ill, unless he be reputed the son of that woman by all the neighbourhood, not by one or two; and notwithstanding that there is a ground in nature to raise a reputation, for he must be the son of some woman. But if a man be bastard *eigne*, because by the civil law he is *mulier*, there is a greater foundation for reputation, and he shall take by the name of son of such a woman, without a general reputation. Then in the case of knights, heretofore knights were created by great lords as well as by the king, but that was supposed to have been by virtue of a charter; but since honour is conferred by none but the king, there cannot be any foundation for a reputation to be a knight. The dignity of knights was in great esteem in the law, and great credit was given to them. In the trial in a writ of right, the law will not intrust the sheriff to return the jury, but the panel of the great assise must be made by four knights, &c.

Objection. A name of dignity may be supported by reputation. For suppose a grant be made to the eldest son of an earl, by the name of viscount of such a place, it would be a good grant.

Answer. There is a foundation for such a reputation, for by the law of heraldry the eldest son of a duke precedes all earls; and conveyancers call them esquires, commonly known by the name of earls. The eldest son of an earl precedes, barons, &c.

Objection. *Cro. Jac.* 240, *Lord Ewre v. Strickland*.

Answer. The addition of that case being of such a dignity, as that one person only is capable of it, carried sufficient certainty in itself, and therefore was good according to *Co. Litt.* 3. a. which was the reason of that case, as ap-

A bastard cannot take under the description of the son of a particular woman, unless he be either generally reputed her son.
Vide 6 Co. 65. a.
or bastard eigne.
Vide 6 Co. 65. a.

The eldest son of a duke precedes an earl.
acc. 1 Bl. Com. 405.

The eldest son of an earl, a baron.
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pears, 1 *Bulstr.* 21. where the same case is better reported than in *Cro.* which is extraordinary, that any thing should be better reported in *Bulstrode* than in *Croke*.

As to the case of the earl of *Pembroke* against *Green and Bosack*, reported in *Littlel. Rep.* 181, &c. 1 *Cro.* 172. and 1 *Jones* 215. the case is mistaken in 1 *Cro.* for the issue there was not upon the grant to *W. S.* but upon the grant of the next avoidance. But it is the express opinion of three great judges, *Dier* 299. *b. pl.* 35. that if issue had been taken upon the grant to *W. S.* the issue had been for the defendant. Though that seemed to *Holt* chief justice difficult to maintain, when the verdict had found him to be the same person. But there is no reason for the opinion of *Hutton* and *Richardson* chief justice in *Littleton's Reports*. For if the law were so, names would be useless, for *John S.* is as much *Thomas S.* as Sir *William Theaxton* knight is *William Theaxton* esq. It is true, that there are several persons who purchase by the name of *Thomas John, &c.* who were never christened; but in such cases those are surnames only. 2. If reputation might have been sufficient, the defendant nevertheless ought to have averred it, viz. that *William Theaxton* was *revera* esquire, *sed tamen cognitus et reputatus* a knight. And such an averment ought to be made in all cases where a man has acquired a reputation contrary to the truth of the fact. And for these reasons the three judges were of opinion, that this variance was so great an obstacle, that they could not come at the merits of the cause, but for this defect the plea was ill; and therefore (by them) the judgment in the common pleas ought to be affirmed, which was done accordingly. Afterwards upon error brought in parliament this judgment was (a) reversed, without any consideration had of the opinion of the judges.

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S. C. Comb. 434. 469. Carth. 441. 12 Mod. 175. Pleadings post. vol. 3. 145. 5 Mod. 109.

TRESPASS. The plaintiff declares, that the defendant the twentieth of May, 7 Will 3. at Hanap in Gloucestershire took and chased forty three sheep and two lambs of the plaintiff, &c. The defendant pleads, that 12 Febr. 6. Will 3. a *levari facias* issued out of the exchequer,

A *levari facias* issued only where the party's land is debtor. S. C. Salk. 395. 5 Mod. 112.

Skin. 617. Com. 51. Holt, 422.

Any cattle levied and couchant thereon are issues of such land. S. C. Salk. 395. 5 Mod. 112. Skin. 617. Com. 51. Holt, 421.

And may be seized and sold under such writ. S. C. Salk. 395. 5 Mod. 112. Skin. 617. Com. 51. Holt, 421.

Upon a *levari facias* against the issues of an outlaw's lands, the sheriff, his officers, or anyone acting in his or their aid, may justify under the writ alone. S. C. Salk. 408. Vide 1 Lev. 95. 3 Will. 345. 376. Bl. 847. Post. 733. Bl. 701. Burr. 2611.

No other person can. S. C. Salk. 408. Vide 1 Lev. 95. 3 Will. 3-6.

In a justification under a writ and warrant, it is not necessary to shew the delivery of the writ to the sheriff. R. acc. 1 Saund. 298. or of the warrant to the bailiff.

Under a warrant to A. and B. and C. cannot act. S. C. cit. post. 1511. And if a plea sets out a warrant to A. and B. and that by virtue thereof (through mistake) B. and C. did the act directed by the warrant, the court will not after a demurrer and argument permit an amendment.

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