שאני התם המצר לבעל החצר שאני – It is different there; for the owner of the π says to the owner of the roof, etc.

Overview

The גמרא attempted (seven times) and failed to prove that גמרא ממיה היזק ראיה שמיה מוקל attempted (seven times) and failed to prove that תוספות. The last time (even) resorting to a מימרא of an 'אמורא is of the opinion that we can prove הרש"ה from a ברייתא.

מוספות asks:

גמרא אמאי לא מייתי מדתניא לקמן (דף וּ,ב) – It is baffling! Why does not the גמרא – It is baffling! Why does not the גמרא bring proof that ה"ר ש"ה from a ברייתא which we learnt later in the גמרא that states -

if there are **two הצירות,** where **one** הצר **is higher than the other.** Where the properties adjoin, the ground of one is higher than the other, thus naturally creating a wall between the properties. This natural wall was less than ד', the amount required for היזק ראיה.

הצר העליון – the owner of the higher הצר should not say –

הריני בונה מכנגדי ועולה – I will participate in our joint wall by building from my ground level and upwards. However I do not wish to contribute for the part of the wall that is being built below my property level. He cannot do that –

אלא מסייע מלמטה ובונה – rather he is required to assist from the lower level and build the entire wall together².

אלמא שמיה היזק – it is evident from this ברייתא that ה"ל is שמיה היזק. If ה"ר לא ה"ל then neither the עליון nor the תחתון have to participate at all.

Summary

Tt would seem that we can prove הרש"ה, from the ברייתא, which states that in a case of עליון הצירות זו למעלה מזו must jointly build the wall from the bottom up. If ה"ר לא ש"ה, there should be no requirement at all.

Thinking it over

Seemingly we can refute תוספות proposed proof from the ברייתא. Perhaps the is discussing a case where both partners contractually agreed in principle to build a joint wall. They did not however specify the details.

¹ A refutation from a תנא is (much) stronger than a refutation from an אמרא (if indeed it can be considered a refutation).

 $^{^2}$ For a precise interpretation of this ברייתא and the associated מחלוקת between רב מרא and אבי, see the commentaries on the גמרא there.