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OVERVIEW

Our גמרא states that if it is a case of תרי ותרי concerning a possible בן גרושה, the ruling is that we elevate him to כהונה status. Our תוספות will discuss and explain the different rulings concerning ...

דאוקי תרי בהדי תרי ואוקי גברא אחזקיה דמוחזק לן דאביו כהן הוא – thus are פרקל ארי אוא אידיה מאיניינר אוא אידיה מאיניינר אוא אידיה אוא אידיה אידיה אוא אידיה אוא אידיה אי

For we place the two עדים who are פוסל against the two עדים who are מכשיר; thus effectively negating both groups of עדים and the person is placed in his original presumptive status; for it is presumed by בי"ד that his father is a כהן כשר; therefore the son is also a כהן כשר.

תוספות has a difficulty with this resolution of תרי ותרי; that we revert to the חזקת of the father:

תימה דאמרינן בפרק האומר בקדושין (דף סו,א) גבי ינאי המלך ויבוקש ולא נמצא - And this is astounding! For the אמכת קדושין הו פרק האומר states in מסכת קדושין in ינאי in מסכת כסתכברחing King ינאי. There was a controversy surrounding the (הדולה) of נאי המלך. There were rumors that his mother was in captivity among non-Jews; thereby making ינאי who is פסול לכהונה מסול הכמים 'suggested' ינאי that he give up the הכמים on account of these rumors. The הכמים there continue to relate that the matter concerning her captivity was investigated and the rumor could not be substantiated. The אמרא there asks:

היכי דמי אילימא דתרי אמרי אישתבאי ותרי אמרי לא אישתבאי - איטר אמרי אמרי אמרי אישתבאי ותרי אמרי אישתבאי was vindicated; could we say that two עדים claimed that she was in captivity and two other עדים claim that she was not captured; this cannot be, for it is –

- תרי ותרי נינהו מאי חזית דסמכת אהני סמוך אהני ואמאי לא נמצא Two witnesses against two witnesses, why do you see to depend on these עדים

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¹ The above is (somewhat) excerpted from the interpretation of the רשב"ם here and כתובות דף כו,ב in כתובות דף כו,ב. However they maintain that the חזקת is (also) based on his status after the first עד המכשיר testified; not (only) on the חזקת states. See 'Thinking it over' # 1.

² A Jewish woman who had relationships with a non-Jew is considered a חונה. She is forbidden to marry a כהן. Any child she has from a כהן is considered a פסול לכהונה. A woman who was held captive among non-Jews is considered מדרבנן as a מדרבנן, regardless whether it is known for sure if they had any relationship with her. See footnote # 10.

who claim ינאי, depend on these ינאי, depend on these אישתבאי; therefore, continues the גמרא' question 'so why did the הכמים say that nothing could be substantiated'! Since it is תרי ותרי, it should be considered a ינאי should be considered המים הכמים insinuate that nothing was found that could invalidate from the ינאי from the פסול לכהונה פסול be פסול לכהונה מבכיעות ינאי. This concludes the citation from the קדושין חו גמרא

תוספות concludes his question:

השתא מאי קא פריך אדרבה אית לן למימר אוקי תרי בהדי תרי ואוקי גברא אחזקיה – But now according to the interpretation presented in the beginning of תוספות that by חזקת כשרות, then what is the challenge in תרי ותרי של מסכת קדושין, that he should be מסכת קדושין, on the contrary! It makes sense why ינאי was vindicated, for we should maintain there just as we say here, that we place two עדים against two עדים and we place the person on his original חזקה; which means –

-יואוקי ינאי אחזקת אמו דלא אישתבאי 3 ואוקי of his mother that she was not in

And we should place ינאי based on the חזקה of his mother that she was not in captivity.

תוספות question is; just as here the עדים concerning בן גרושה cancel out (it is תרי ותרי) and the son is a בן גרושה based on the חזקת כשרות of his father; similarly by ינאי the בידי of עדים אישתבאי cancel out (תרי ותרי). There remains the חזקת כשרות of the mother ינאי should be כשרות on account of the חזקת כשרות of his mother. In both cases neither son (עדי ותרי of the cases) has a חזקת כשרות of their own; only from their parents. The ruling should be the same in both cases. If the חזקת כשרות of the parents applies to the son, then כשרות of the parent cannot apply to the son then the s'כשרות son should also be פסול.

תוספות will now cite how רש"י explains the גמרא there in קדושין:

ופירש התם בקונטרס דחזקת האם לא מהניא להכשיר את ינאי - את בקונטרס דחזקת האם לא מהניא להכשיר את פאר explained there in חזקת האם the reason we do not follow the הזקת האם concerning ינאי', is that the ינאי' mother cannot be applied to validate \cdot for בהונה -

– לפי שאין עדים באין לפסול את האם לכהונה אלא להעיד על ינאי Because the witnesses who claimed אישתבאי are not coming to invalidate the

 $^{^3}$ s'ינאי' mother was certainly not in captivity prior to the date which the rumor alleges she was captured. Therefore, since there is a חדקה whether or not she was in captivity, we place her on her original הדי that she was never in captivity.

mother for כהונה status **but rather** they came **to testify against ינאי** that he is the son of a עדים. The status of the mother is irrelevant here. The mother is not present. The עדים are stating that ינאי is a ינאי is a ינאי has no חזקת כשרות.

תוספות rejects this interpretation of ירש"י:

ר"י is not satisfied with this interpretation; for why should not the הזקת apply to the son as well −

הואיל ואינו יכול להיות שתהא האם כשרה אם לא יהיה הבן כשר – Since it is impossible that the mother should be a כשרה unless the son is also unless the son is also בשר unless the son is also בשר הספות. שבויה since he is a בן שבויה בן (ינאי), then the mother is automatically a כשר, since they are dependent on each other. Therefore it does not matter what the intent of the עדים are; whether to testify concerning ינאי or his mother, in all cases the status of the אם and the בן are to be the same. The mother has a פוסל the son, whose status is linked with his mother.

תוספות does not agree with the reasoning of רש"י and will now show that it also contradicts our גמרא:

רעוד דהכא אף על גב דעל הבן מעידים לפסלו מהניא ליה חזקת האב להכשירו - And furthermore there is a difficulty with רש"י, for here in our גמרא even though the מרא are testifying to be פוסל the son and not the father (similar to the case of מרשיר and his mother), nevertheless the הזקה of the father helps to be ינאי and his mother?!⁵

חוספות offers his explanation:

ונראה לרבינו יצחק דהיינו טעמא משום דמסקינן בפרק ד' אחין (יבמות דף לא,א ושם דיבור המתחיל תרי) - And it seems to the ר"י that this is the reason why there is a difference between our מרא and the case of ינאי, because the גמרא concludes in פרק ד' אחין -

- דכל תרי ותרי הויא ספיקא דרבנן 6 והאם נמי הוי ספיקא דרבנן

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 $^{^4}$ יש"י does not attempt to distinguish between our אמרא (where we do follow the original חוקה) and the קדושין in there we do not follow the האם. There is a distinction however, for רש"י maintains that the reason the son of the הזקת האם is assumed to be a כהן (is not merely because of the חוקת כשרות of the father, but rather) because there is (also) a עד המכשיר. See previous footnote # 1.

⁵ See previous footnote # 4.

⁶ תוספות (seemingly) does not mean that תוספות is a ספיקא דרבנן לקולא in the usual sense (where we say הוספות), but rather that the מדרבנן si ספק מדרבנן it will be אדרייתא it will be דרבנן it will be דרבנן it will be אוספות shortly states. See 'Thinking it over' # 2.

That every case of ספיקא דרבנן, and [there] (by the mother of ינאי) it is also a תרי ותרי, הזקה. According to תרי ותרי ווארי ותרי של follow the original המים, מערי ותרי מן התורה by מין התורה מן התורה מן it should be מותר מול העריה, nevertheless we treat it as a ספק and we take the more stringent view (if it is an איסור).

ולהכי פריך התם סמוך אהני –

And therefore the גמרא there in קדושין challenges the assumption that the rumor could not be substantiated; saying, depend on these אשתבאי who testify that אשתבאי –

– דנהי דמדאורייתא אמרינן אוקי תרי בהדי תרי ואוקי איתתא אחזקה

For granted that according to תורה law we rule that we place the two against the other two (as if they do not exist)⁸ and we place the woman (s'ינאי' mother) on her ינאי כשר לכהונה which would make ינאי כשר לכהונה -

מכל מקום מדרבנן יש לפוסלה –

Nevertheless, she should be considered פסול מדרבנן. Therefore the גמרא says we should be that she is ממוך אהני as if we pay attention to the עדים that claim אישתבאי.

The question remains, however, why in our case do we bestow the הזקת האב to the son, even though here it is also תרי ותרי, he should be תוספות !פסול לכהונה explains:

-⁹הכא לענין תרומה דרבנן הקילו להתירו בה בתרי ותרי ולאוקמיה אחזקיה And here in our גמרא they were lenient since the discussion here is merely concerning a rabbinic תרומה חומה, not a תרומה דאורייתא therefore they were lenient to permit him to eat this תרומה דרבנן in a case of ותרי תרי and to establish the son as a מהן כשר based on the חזקה of the father.

In summation: According to חוספות in a case of תרי ותרי, then מדאורייתא the ruling would be that תרי ותרי then it is a אוקמי אחזקה then it would be מותר (however if there is a אוקמי אחזקה then it is a חדקת איסור מותר חדקת חדקת, not a חדקת רבנן, however, decreed that by תרי ותרי even when there is a תרי ותרי even when there is a מספק איסור איסור איסור מון איסור חדקת in question is an מדאורייתא (as in the case of איסור דאורייתא in question is an פסול לכהונה איסור החדקת היסור (as in our איסור דרבנן tunctions), 10 however when the איסור in question is merely an איסור דרבנן, גמרא

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⁷ Others amend this to והאם instead of והאם.

 $^{^8}$ If we were to maintain that by תו"ת it is considered as if both עדים are testifying; it would be quite difficult to understand how the חזקה can outweigh the status of the עדים (that contradict the תו"ת). However if we maintain that is viewed as if the contradictory עדים are not present, then it is understandable that the חזקה can decide the case (for no עדים contradict it).

⁹ See 'Thinking it over' # 3.

¹⁰ In the case of ינאי it may also be considered only an איסור דרבנן, since the איסור שבויה is an איסור (see footnote # 2). Nevertheless on the possibility that she was בעלה, then (s)he is אסור לכהונה מדאורייתא. In our case of

where we are discussing whether the son may eat תרומה בזמן הוא which is only a תרומה מדרבנן), then we revert back to the חורה ruling, namely that by תרי ותרי we follow the original חזקת כשרות. This follows the general rule that ספיקא דאורייתא לחומרא מפיקא דרבנן לקולא.

תוספות anticipates a difficulty with the idea that תרי ותרי is merely a מן התורה however מן התורה we follow the π :

והא דאמר לעיל שנים אומרים מת וב' אומרים לא מת כולי –

And concerning that which the גמרא previously stated in the case where two עדים said that he died and two עדים said that he did not die, etc., the ruling there is that initially she should not remarry -

- אבל נשאת ואחר כך באו עדים לא תצא

however if she remarried and then the עדים came and claimed that he did not die, then everyone agrees that she need not leave her new husband –

אף על גב דתרי ותרי ספיקא דרבנן היא –

Even though that תרי ותרי is merely a ספק מדרבנן, as previously explained -

– ומדאורייתא אית לן לאוקמה אחזקה דהויא אשת איש

And according to הורה law, however, it is required that we should establish her status based on her original הזקה; that she was a married woman –

והיה לה לצאת אף על פי שנשאת לאחד מעדיה –

And she should be required to leave the new husband even though she remarried to one of her witnesses who is certain (as she is) that her husband died.

If we were to maintain that חדי is a חדי מקר and we do not accept any הזקה to resolve this טפק, but rather the פפק status remains by תרי, ותרי, then we can understand that גמרא. There are it is a מספק אשת איש, זער מספק will not permit them to marry מספק אשת איש already married and the new husband and wife both claim that they are sure the husband is dead, then since they were only מספק, therefore this ספק that בי"ד has is not sufficient to revoke their marriage, since they are it hat he is dead.

However since we are maintaining that תרי מדאורייתא by הדי ותרי we follow the original הזקה, therefore this woman is בחזקת אשת איש forom her first husband and is אסור מן התורה to remarry. How can we allow them to remain married just because they claim בודאי that the husband is dead?! How can their דאי remove the איסור תורה that was created through the

תרומה דרבנן, it is always only a רבנן question, never a דאורייתא issue.

¹¹ See 'Thinking it over' # 4.

 $^{^{12}}$ This view may be seen as being supported by the קדושין concerning נמרא. The גמרא there says סמוך אהני (on those that are אוסר, even if there is a חזקת היתר.

מוספות answers:

אומר רבינו תם דאתיא חזקה דדייקא ומנסבא ומרעה חזקת אשת איש –

The ה"קה says that here it is different, for the הזקה that a woman is meticulous in first assuring that her husband is dead and only then does she remarry; this הזקה comes and undermines the הזקת אשת איש הישר. The הזקת אשת איסור is not powerful enough to create a הזקת איסור. There is an opposing הזקת אישת איש היסור. The fact that the woman is remarrying and claiming that she is sure her husband is dead weakens the הזקת אשת איש. A woman will not remarry if she is unsure of her (original) husband's status. She does not want to transgress the איסור אשת איש; she does not want her children to be ממזרים etc.; in short a woman will only remarry after a meticulous search that assures her that her husband died. This הזקת אשת איש לא תצא היסור. Therefore if she remarried it is only a היייך, therefore be היייך.

תוספות challenges this previous assumption that there is a חוסבות בדייקא ומנסבא:

ואם תאמר כי איכא ב' עדים לא דייקא דליכא חומר בסופה –

And if you will say; if there are two עדים who testify that her husband died, then she is not meticulous in verifying that her husband died, for subsequently there is no stringency –

כדאמר בהאשה רבה (שם דף פז,ב ושם) נשאת שלא ברשות מותרת לחזור לו –

As the משנה states in פרק האשה רבה, if she remarried without requiring permission from בי"ך (in a case where עדים testified that her husband died), and then her original husband returned she is permitted to return to her original husband.

ומפרש התם דהיינו שנשאת בעדים –

And the גמרא גמרא ברשות שלא ברשות נשאת שלא ברשות is that she remarried based on the testimony of מדים who claim that her husband died. If only one עדים claimed that her husband died then she requires a (special) רשות די"ד to remarry (since מן התורה two מן התורה are required to testify). בי"ד grants her this שלא with a provision that if her husband returns then she will not be able to remain married to either of her husbands and will lose her monetary rights, etc. This ensures us that she will be meticulous before she remarries. However if two עדים testify that her husband died, then she is permitted to remarry without any specific רשות בי"ד. If her husband returns we are not that strict with her; including that she may return to her previous husband, and retains her monetary rights.

תוספות question is that since there are two עדים who testify to her husband's death, 14 therefore

the אסור, nevertheless אסור, nevertheless אסור it is אסור it is אסור it is אסור because of the חזקת, then the רבנן will certainly not say that it is only a ספק (and it should be מותר!??)!

¹⁴ The question (seemingly) becomes stronger since תוספות is discussing the case of נשאת ואה"כ באו עדים, at the time of her remarriage there were only the עדים המתירים. She is certainly not דייקא ומינסבא. See footnote # 11.

there will be no חומר בסופה. If there is no הומר בסופה, then there is no דייקא ומינסבא, since the woman is not that concerned. If there is no דייקא ומינסבא, there remains only the might be might be might be might be a might be might be might be a might be might b

מוספות answers:

ויש לומר הואיל ומכחישים זה את זה איכא חומרא אם תעמוד תחת בעלה ברי שלהAnd one can say that since the two groups of עדים contradict each other, therefore there is the same stringency here as if she would have remarried ברשות בי"ד if she will remain with her new husband based on her claim of certainty that she knows for sure that her husband died. בי"ד is lenient with her only if she remarries on the basis of the testimony of two uncontested עדים. If however, the עדים are eventually contested, and she remains married on the basis of her assuredness, then she must face the consequences, if it turns out that she is wrong and her 'previous' husband is still alive. Therefore by הוקר איש אשת אחרי ותרי (ברי לי cancels out the מדיקא ומינסבא there is a מדיקא ומינסבא there is a חומרא בסוף בי"ד cancels out the עדי בחוף בי"ד cannot separate her from her new husband.

חוספות has an additional question:

– ואם תאמר ב' אומרים נתגרשה וב' אומרים לא נתגרשה and if you will say; in the case where two צדים claim that she was divorced, and two other עדים claim that she was not divorced –

אמאי לא תצא בנשאת ואחר כך באו עדים הא לא דייקא - Why is she not required to leave her new husband, in a situation where she first remarried based on the testimony of the first group of עדים, and afterwards a second group of ברייתא came who claimed that לא נתגרשה. Why does the ברייתא state that she need not leave!? For she is not meticulous in the verification process, in a contested divorce case –

דדוקא במת הוא דדייקא שיראה שמא יבא וידעו הכל שלא מת – For it is specifically only by a claim of death that she is meticulous in verifying his death; the reason is for she is afraid that perhaps her previous husband may return and everyone will know that he did not die. Therefore by מיתה she is very meticulous. However by גירושין, she is not that concerned if her husband returns, for even if he claims that he did not divorce her, people will not be sure that it is true. Especially since the woman claims (and two עדים support her contention) that he did divorce her. Therefore since she

¹⁵ See previous footnote # 13.

is not that concerned, there is no דייקא ומינסבא. This leaves us only with the הזקת אשת היש. Why therefore do we permit her to remain with the new husband?!

מוספות anticipates a possible answer, and rejects it:

אינה נאמנת לומר נתגרשה דשלא בפני בעלה מעיזה ומעיזה ומעיזה - 16 And she is not believed to claim that she was divorced, for not in the presence of her husband, a woman is indeed very brazen. There is no reason to believe her.

תוספות adds an additional point:

ועוד¹⁷ היכא דאיכא עדים דקא מסייעי לה מעיזה ומעיזה –

And furthermore, in a case where there are עדים who are assisting her and supporting her claim that she is a divorcee certainly she is brazen. She is only believed when she says I am divorced, in the presence of her husband; for a woman does not have the העזה to claim in the presence of her husband that she is divorced, unless it is true. However not in the presence of her husband and especially if other עדים support her, a woman has the העזה to claim that she is divorced even if it is not true. Therefore we cannot believe her statement that she is divorced. There is also no דייקא ומינסבא in the case of הזקת אשת איש. Seemingly there only remains the הזקת אשת איש. The woman should not be permitted to remain with her husband.

מוספות answers:

ויש לומר דלענין הכי דייקא ומרעא חזקת אשת איש –

And one can say that concerning this issue; whether she can remain with her new husband, she is meticulous and she weakens the הזקת אשת איש; the reason for this is –

דלעולם יראה שמא יוזמו או יפסלום בגזלנות –

For she is always concerned that perhaps her supporting מוזם will be מוזם or invalidated by being accused that they are גזלנים. She will have nothing to fall back on, since there are עדים who claim that she was never divorced. Therefore she is דייקא ומינסבא.

חוספות has one final question:

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¹⁶ There is a rule that if a woman declares in the presence of her husband, that she is divorced; the woman is believed. There is a הזקה that a wife will not be that brazen to her husband's face. If she claims she is divorced, we assume that she is. תוספות is noting that in this case we cannot say that here too the woman herself is believed that she is divorced, and that her statement counteracts the הזקת אשת איש (just as in a regular case where a wife says to her husband (גרשתני)

may be saying that even if the husband appears and she claims in his presence that she is divorced, nevertheless in this instance she cannot be believed.

ראם תאמר למאי דלא ידע דבאומר 18 ברי לי איירי מאי קאמר היא גופא באשם תלוי קיימא And if you will say when the גמרא did not yet know that we are discussing a situation where she claims 'I am sure that he died'; before we came to that conclusion and we thought that the woman has no opinion as to the status of her husband why does the גמרא state as a challenge, that how can she remarry 'she herself needs to bring an ממרא state as a challenge, that how can she remarry 'she herself needs to bring an אשם תלוי why does the ממרא say that; since she does not know the status of her husband -

הוה ליה למימר בחטאת קיימא –

The גמרא אמרא should have stated she has to bring a קרבן הטאת. According to חוספות our מדאורייתא המוחד המאר וותרי הוקה. However מדאורייתא we follow the הזקה. In this case of תרי ותרי אשת אשת איש בחזקת אשת איש, then she is בחזקת בחזקת בחזקת מחוז and is required to bring a אשת איש איש. אשת איש ווערי איש איש אויים איש אויים איש ווערי איש אויים איש איש אויים איש אויים איש אויים אויים איש אויים אויים איש אויים איש אויים איש אויים איש אויים אויי

מוספות answers:

ויש לומר דפריך אפילו נאמר דתרי ותרי הוה ספיקא דאורייתא –

And one can say that the challenge of the גמרא is even if we were to assume that ספיקא דאורייתא is a תרי ותרי is a תורה ספק, then we do not follow any הזקות, but rather it is left as a ספיקא דאורייתא, then it is understood why the ממרא cannot claim that she should bring a קרבן הטאת. A קרבן הטאת is brought only if one certainly transgressed an איסור דאורייתא, but not if one is doubtful whether he transgressed an ספיקא דאורייתא as in our case where it is merely a איסור דאורייתא.

- באשם קיימא – כדפירישית בפרק ד' אחין (שם דף לא,א דיבור המתחיל אי) מכל מקום בפרק ד' אחין (שם דף לא,א דיבור המתחיל אי) אזין As I explained in פרק ד' אחין, nevertheless even if it is only a ספיקא דאורייתא she is required to bring a קרבן אשם תלוי for (perhaps) transgressing a ספק איסור.

ואין להאריך ובכתובות (דף כו,א דיבור המתחיל אנן) פירשתי:

And there is no need to elaborate any longer, and I explained it at greater length in מסכת כתובות.

SUMMARY

In a case of תו"ח, the ruling מן התורה is, that we follow the חזקה, whether there is a חזקת היתר, whether there is a חזקת or a חזקת איסור. The חזקת however instituted that even if there is a חזקת it should still be treated as a ספק. If the issue is a אורייתא, we go לקולא if it is a רבנן, we go לקולא.

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¹⁸ Seemingly it should read 'באומרת'.

¹⁹ See תוספות דף לא.ב ד"ה ואם.

 $^{^{20}}$ תוספות may be alluding to the issue whether an איתחזק is brought only when איתחזק.

We follow a חזקת איסור לחומרא only if the חזקה is not compromised; otherwise it remains (only) a ספק ספק.

The חזקה of אשה דייקא applies (even) by תרי ותרי; and even by a תו"ת of it is sufficient to allow her to remain with her (current) husband.

THINKING IT OVER

- 1. In our גמרא we say that the son has the חזקת כשרות from his father the כהן. 21 Seemingly there is no connection; the father may be a כהן כשר who married a thereby disqualifying the son from the כהונה. 23
- 2. It is not clear what תוספות is adding by citing the יבמות וגמרא. ²⁴ Seemingly until now we also assumed that ספיקא דרבנן is a ספיקא דרבנן; otherwise (if it were a ספיקא), we would not follow the תוספות should have merely stated the difference between our גמרא and the case of מסכת קדושין in ינאי in מסכת קדושין.
- 3. תרומה דרבנן explains that in our גמרא the son is permitted to eat (only) תרומה. 25 In a case of a תרי ותרי (ספק) then by תרי ותרי we follow the חזקת היתר. It seems from תוספות that if there would not be a חזקת היתר , then he would be אסור in this תרומה for he is a ספק דרבנן that if there would not be over that by a ספק דרבנן we are lenient (even without a חזקת היתר), Why is it necessary here to rely on the היתר?
- 4. תוספות has a difficulty with the ruling that if נשאת אדים לא עדים לא תוספות. It seems that הוספות is asking the question according to "רמב". However the question can certainly be asked according to the ת"ק as well for they maintain that in all cases תצא לא. 28

 22 A כהן who marries a גרושה is still a כהן, even though his children are הללים.

²¹ See footnote # 1.

²³ See (בד"ה הא') בה"מ.

²⁴ See footnote # 6.

²⁵ See footnote # 9.

 $^{^{26}}$ See סוכ"ד אות כא.

²⁷ See footnote # 11.

 $^{^{28}}$ See מהרש"א and פני שלמה.