

This person who chops beets

האי מאן דפריס סילקא –

OVERVIEW

ר' פפא ruled that one who finely chops beets is liable on account of the מלאכה of grinding wheat (טוחן). תוספות qualifies this ruling.

דוקא בסילקא שייד טחינה¹ אבל שאר אוכלין שרי:

It is only **specifically by beets** that the מלאכה of **grinding is applicable** to make him liable for transgressing a תולדה of טוחן, **however by other foods it is permitted** to finely chop them.

SUMMARY

One may not finely chop beets but may finely chop other foods.

THINKING IT OVER

ר' פפא later² asks why is קניבת ירק (cutting vegetables) permitted, when here rules that פריס סילקא is משוב טוחן. חייב משום there distinguishes whether it is cut into large pieces (קניבת ירק) where it is permitted, or whether it is cut into small pieces (פריס סילקא) where there is a חטאת. According to our תוספות, however the answer should have been that he is חייב only by סילקא, but not by other vegetables!³

¹ The תוס' הרא"ש adds, שכן דרכה בכך, See also ריטב"א (ראש יוסף) that only by סילקא (and similar vegetables) which cannot be eaten raw is there a חטאת by פרימה, but not by other foods which can be eaten raw.

² קיד, ב ד"ה אלא. See תוספות מסורת הש"ס.

³ פני אברהם See.