## The horses of bird hunters

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## **OVERVIEW**

The גמרא said that there are horses which are designated to carry birds, and these are the horses of bird hunters. תוספות explains what these horses are carrying.

- פירש רבינו חננאל שכן ציידי עופות מניחין עליהן עופות שלהן שצדין בהן עופות אחרים The ר"ה explained; that the bird hunters place upon these horses their own birds of prey, with which they hunt other birds -

אבל אין לפרש בעופות הניצודין דהני כפותין נינהו ואמר בסמוך דמודה רבי נתן בכפות:
However one cannot explain it to mean that we are discussing the captured birds, for those are tied down and the גמרא shortly states that ר"ג admits by a tied up animal that we do not say החי נושא את עצמו, but rather they weigh down.

## **SUMMARY**

The horses are designated to carry birds of prey but not tied up captured birds, for by נושא את עצמו agrees that they are not נושא את עצמו.

## THINKING IT OVER

Since מודה בכפות (that אין נושא את אין עצמו), why was it necessary for תוספות to negate the עופות that we are discussing עופות הניצודין, for it is seemingly obvious that in such a case he is  $7.0^{\circ}$ 

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> This is (seemingly) exactly as רש"י explain it בד"ה דבי. See מהרש"ל, and מהרש"ל (for another גירסא).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> See מהרש"ל.