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Nor was the concern for the well-being of the housemaid a rigid principle to R. Israel. He would consider each case on its merits. Once, on the first night of a Festival, he came very late to the synagogue, not at all as he was accustomed to. The entire congregation waited for him. He informed them that a regiment of soldiers had been quartered in the city that day, and he had been busy in arranging kosher meals for the Jews among them. It was incumbent upon the entire community, and even the housemaid was not exempt, to provide kosher food for Jewish soldiers.