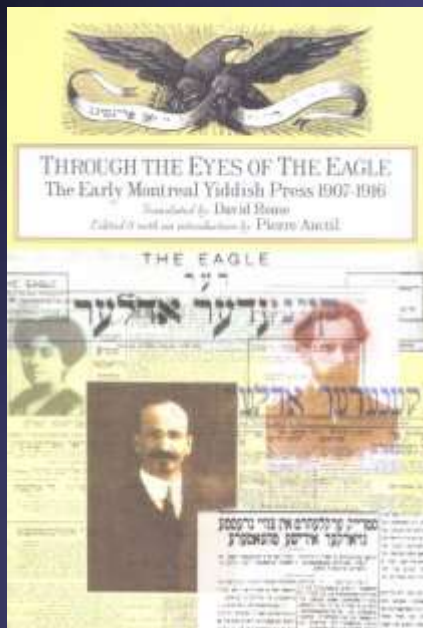


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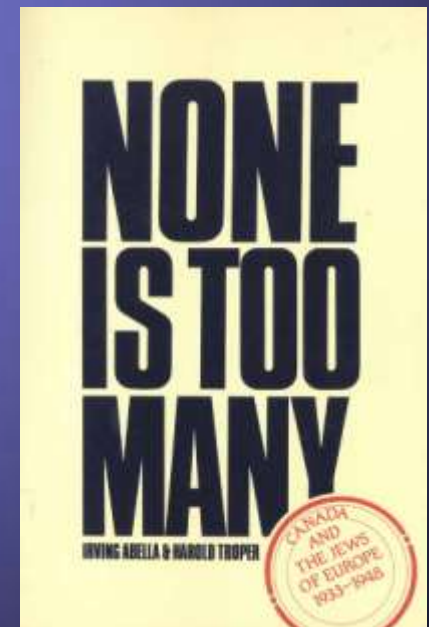
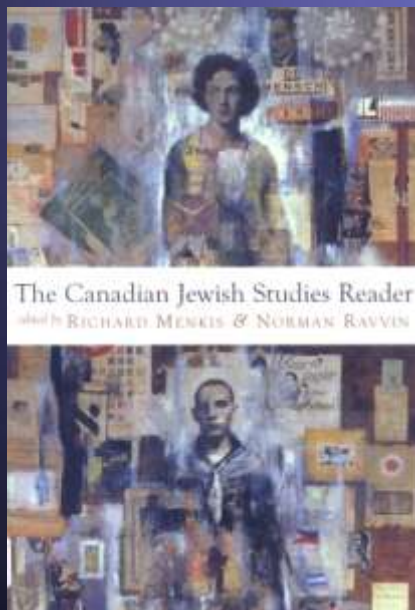


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Alex Dworkin Canadian Jewish Archives
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All of these books used primary sources found in Archives



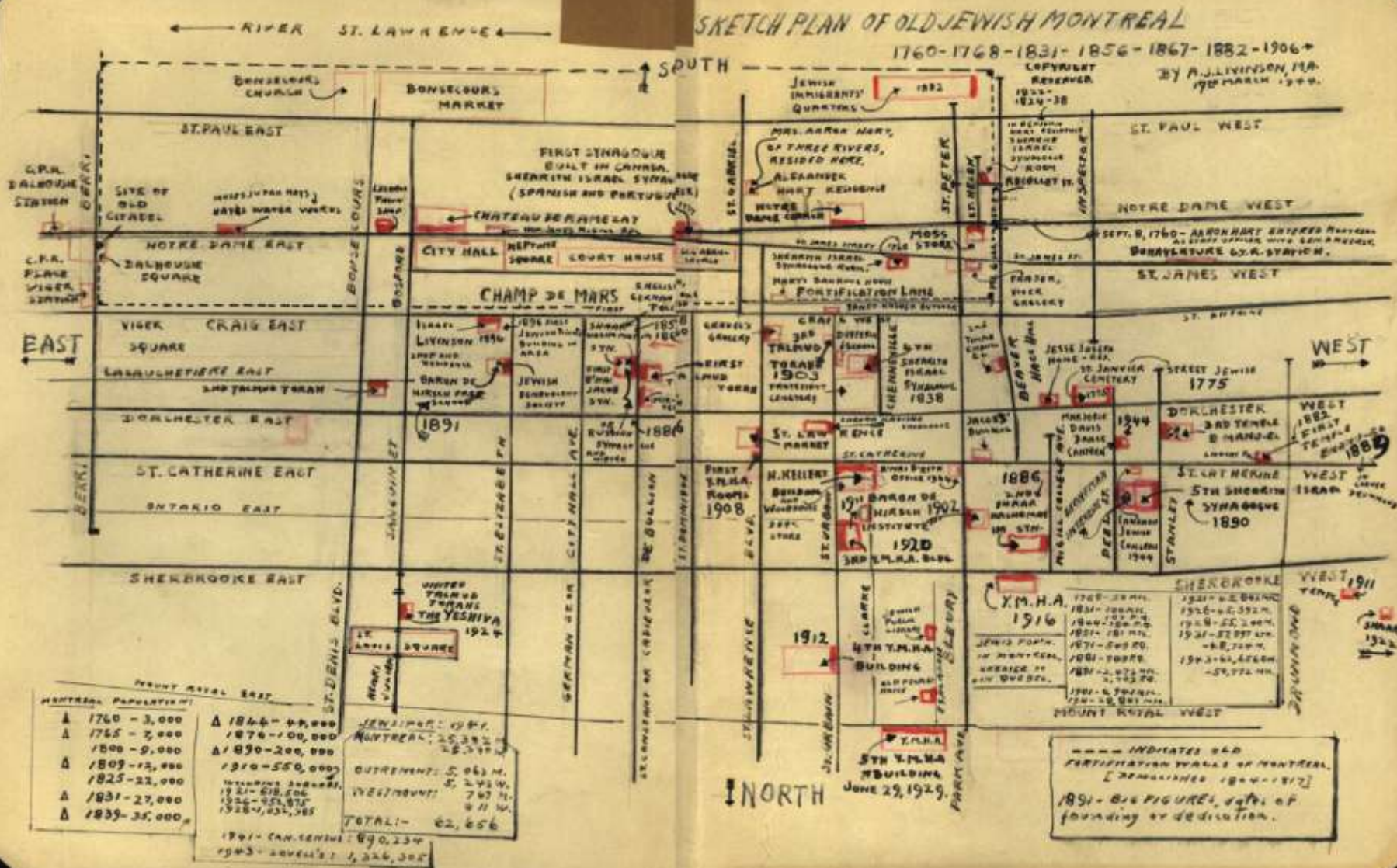


Doing research using archives is like assembling a jigsaw puzzle

What are “archives”?

The word “archives” can refer to a collection of historical records, as well as the place they are located (“The Archives”). Archival records are primary source documents that have accumulated over the course of an individual’s or an organization’s lifetime.

A document becomes “archival” when it is selected for permanent or long-term preservation because of its enduring cultural, historical, or evidentiary value. Archival documents are normally unpublished and almost always unique, unlike books or magazines for which many identical copies exist. Some archival documents are on paper, but they can also be photographs, recordings, and other media. Let’s see some examples...



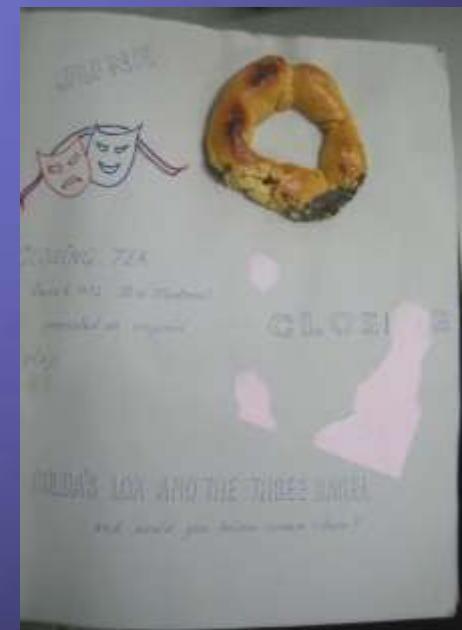
An old map is a primary resource document

BLUE STAR CHAPTER'S 9th PRESIDENT



ALICE COHEN

"You have demonstrated your confidence and faith in me by electing me to this high office, and I solemnly promise that I shall endeavour to the best of my ability, to justify the trust you have placed in me. I feel confident that with the close cooperation and wholehearted support of all our devoted members, all working together as a team, we will continue to add to the glory and stature of our wonderful chapter."



A scrapbook can be a source of historical information

BLUE BOOK.

GRINE, PROPRIETOR	"Let those whom the cap fits—wear it." Par de Vils, Friday Evening, 10 th Dec: 1841. Whole No. 61.	AND PUBLISHER.
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The Blue Book
 Friday Evening, 10th December 1841.

Religious Intelligences.

(1) From our correspondent's correspondence:
 It would be advisable when Miss Russell visits the Catholic Church which has been lately given lately, if she were not to fall in her knees before the altar—there is not a very becoming act for a Jewess.

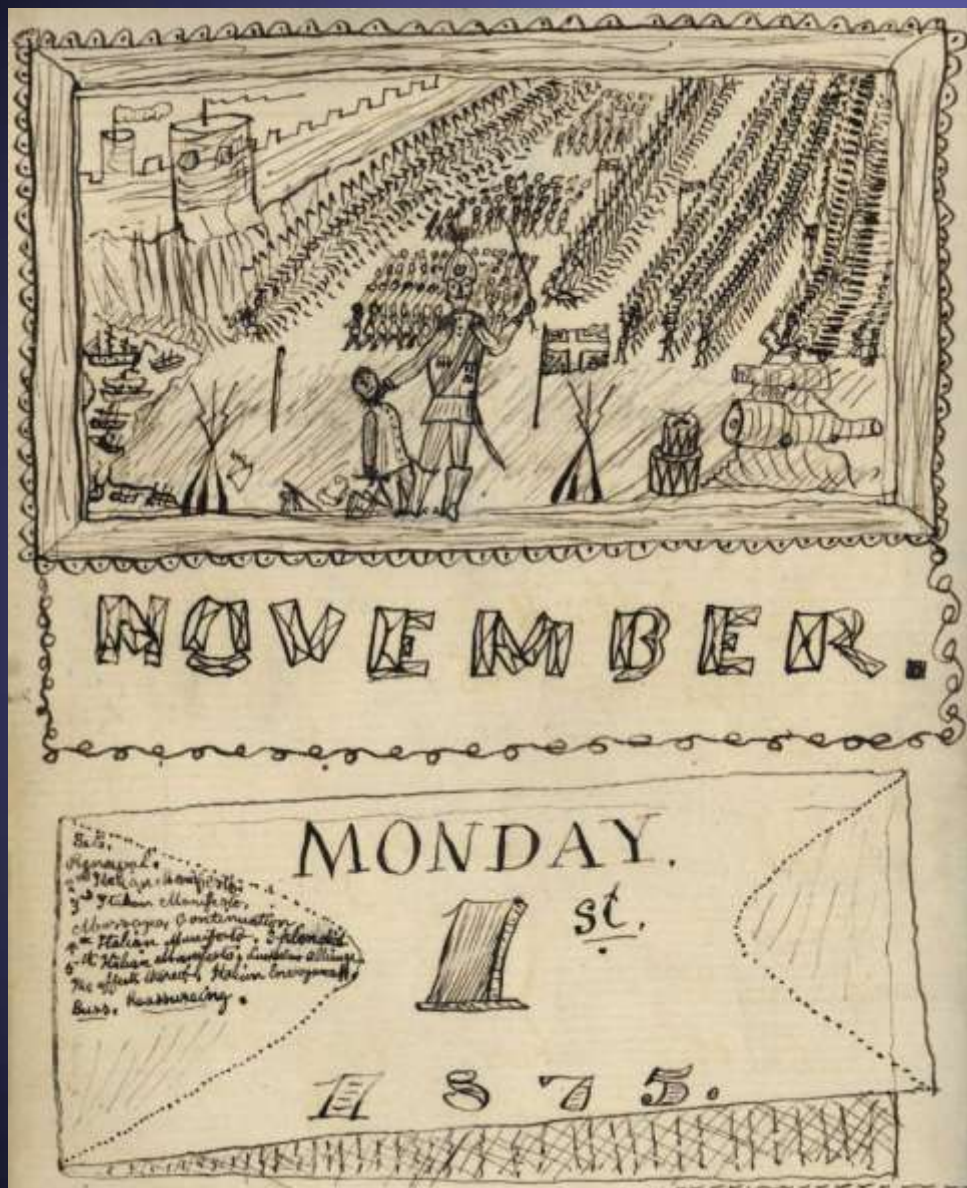
(2) What shall I do with myself on the night of Friday 11th December? I am a Jew is to be given in the Hall where I dance— I propose to separate my Room from the Ball Room— After worshipping as usual, might I not walk down the few steps and enter the Ball Room instead of, or as well as sit shut up in my Room listening to the Band? I would have sworn if it were not to pay visit. Now—Jewes—day!
 The above question has been rather

known he is on the point of transcribing his Law. But from man I have seen in his new work (see D.P. 125) speaking of the Sabbath, says, "every where should be rest, calmness, relaxation", and if there can be such at a Ball then and then only from the Gentlemen to the Ball on Friday night. To prevent a return by us to the above subject we hope on decision will be acted upon, "therefore remain—xxx— We have shall keep you shall keep the Sabbath, for it is holy and you; every one that defile it, shall surely be put to death".

(3) Advertisements

The author of the "Jolly Trio" presents his respects to the persons who thought themselves taken off, and is ready to acknowledge that on the night in ques-

The Joseph family newsletter describes their life in Montreal in 1841



Montreal businessman, diplomat and Zionist leader Clarence de Sola (1858-1920) wrote in his journals about Jewish and secular Montreal life, as well as world affairs.

The last year of Clarence de Sola's diary depicts a rapidly modernizing world...

Saturday, 6th September 1919:

“The monument erected on Fletcher's Field in this city to Sir George Etienne Cartier was unveiled this afternoon by the Governor General, the Duke of Devonshire – the actual act of unveiling was performed by King George V who was at Balmoral Castle Scotland today. An electrical connection by cable was made, between Balmoral and Montreal, and connected with the British flag which veiled the figure of Cartier, and at a certain agreed-upon moment the King pressed a button which sent an electric current to the monument and caused the flag which veiled it to fall and reveal the monument.”



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Executive Meeting held on Dec 31/33.

Br Erdle spreading.

Questions concerning the mass meeting
it was decided to push the slogan of
a forty hour (40) week, and to abolish
piece work, and to bring in week work
only.

It was passed to change the time of the executive meetings on Sunday to Saturday at 2 p.m.

discussions of a bridge dance it was decided to have one in a few weeks and to pick a committee to arrange things.

Br. Eidle explains the work of the Organizing Committee. The work is so far satisfactory. With that the meeting was closed.

classes of labor, and the disagreement between themselves. demanded that the workers should stop working on piece work and bring in a forty hour week only. In that way only could we have a work steady instead of working two or three months a year at breakneck speed and be unemployed the rest of the year.

Br Hendler speaks in Jewish. asks why all cap-makers didn't come to meeting. Asks them if they're satisfied with the wages they're getting. He pointed out that no boss can have any work done if the workers won't do the work, so why be afraid of the boss. Why tremble if he looks at you.

Minutes of meetings are important primary sources for historians.
Many of our early 20th century minute books are written in Yiddish.

(15)

Sermon preached on Thanksgiving
 day for the departure of
 Cholera - on Thursday
 1st January 1850

It has pleased the constituted
 authorities of this province to appoint
 today as the occasion for general
 thanksgiving to Almighty God for
 having removed the grievous disease
 with which many parts of Canada
 have been lately visited...

It has pleased the constituted authorities
 of this province to appoint today as
 the occasion for general thanksgiving to
 almighty God for having removed the
 grievous disease with which many parts
 of Canada have been lately visited. And
 although we have doubtless as individuals
 accorded our most sincere and heartfelt
 thanks to the Omnipotent for the great
 mercy and benevolence he has been obliged
 to exercise in rescuing us from the power
 of the grave, and although I thought
 it fitting on a former occasion to speak
 to you as to the debt owed by you
 to the ^{your Father} ~~the Supreme~~ Father for
 your preservation from the fatal
 visitation of this terrible and although
 I occupied in thanksgiving our heavenly
 Father, ascribing to him the glory, the power

History can be reflected in a sermon: Rabbi de Sola of the Spanish and Portuguese congregation speaks of a Montreal cholera epidemic in 1850

DAN TO BEERSHEBA AS ISRAEL'S HOME

First Canadian Jewish Congress Heard Details of Peace Conference Scheme

A. DEMOCRATIC CONGRESS

Moses and Isaiah Making Influence Felt at Peace Table, Said Rabbi—Language Question

The first Canadian Jewish Congress which opened yesterday afternoon in the Monument National under the presidency of Mr. Lyon Cohen, marks an epoch in the history of Judaism on the North American continent in as much as this was the first congress which, as Dr. Abramowitz stated, was representative not only of the classes but of the masses and of all schools of Jewish thought and elements that constitute the Jewish population. It was essentially a democratic gathering that represented the Hebrew people in a way such as no previous congresses have done. The opening was delayed to the extent of an hour, and for that space of time there was a dense pack of humanity in the entrance of the hall and on the staircases, but by 3 o'clock the hall itself was crowded and every seat occupied. The topics that were discussed included the restoration of Palestine, the attitude of the Peace Conference towards the Jews, in

Jewish Youths in Rowdy Conflict with Swazi Gangs

Three Toronto youths, Charlie Baustead (18 years), Jack Pippy (17 years) and Earl Perrin (21 years), have been arrested on charges of unlawful assembly, as a result of the rioting at Willowvale Park last Wednesday night (August 16).

They are alleged to have been the ones who flaunted the white quilt, on which a black swastika was emblazoned, from a knoll in the park—the act which precipitated six hours of rioting, and fanned into flame the spark of racial feeling.

Toronto police state that Baustead was the one who had provided the quilt for the demonstration. The swastika had been painted on in Peppy's garage.

Minor disturbances have become the aftermath of the swastika riots. Visitors to Conboy Park were "nazified" when they beheld swastikas covering the fences.

It is now known that Chief of Police Draper had been requested by letter to provide additional police protection for the occasion. This extra protection was not provided at Willowvale Park on August 16. It is quite evident that certain unruly elements in Toronto display the swastika emblem purely for purposes of race-provocation. Nothing else

will account for the "Swazi" gang making a ball game the centre for a riotous field fight that only terminated several hours later, after much visible disorderly conduct and open fighting.

"I had been a spectator of the ball game," David Fisher of Spadina Ave., who was admitted to the Toronto Western Hospital with scalp wounds, and was just preparing to go home, when I was struck over the head by some fellow who started to shout 'Hail Hitler'."

I fought back to the best of my ability, but was knocked to the ground and trampled on. A police officer pulled me to my feet and escorted me to the edge of the park and hailed a car, which brought me here. Personally I think they are all a bunch of toughs looking for a scrap, and here's hoping they get it—proper.

An eye-witness of the incident in which Goldstein was injured, made the statement that "A group of Gentile boys were talking about what they were going to do to the Jewish boys. Goldstein stepped up to them and said: 'I'm a Jew, what are you going to do about it?' For a time the argument was mostly

wordy, with a lot of talk about fair play and picking one opponent for Goldstein. Then somebody said: 'The Jews didn't give the Gentiles fair play, so why should we give him fair play,' and then somebody hit him on the head with a club."

Goldstein, outnumbered five or six to one, ran about two hundred yards, blood streaming over his white shirt, before he collapsed.

Rescued by Chum

It was as he collapsed that two other youths picked Goldstein up and ran towards Christie St., followed by fifty or sixty who had gathered around.

At the time the police were on Bloor St., foot constables trying to clear the jam of automobile traffic, the mounted constables riding their horses up and down the sidewalk.

"I had no trouble to amount to anything," Cancelli said. "Goldstein was out cold and I guess the mob was afraid of what they had done. But I tell you I didn't waste much time getting him to shelter."

Up on the steps of the Garfield home Cancelli was followed by a crowd and physical force was necessary to clear the steps. Mrs. Gar-

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Old newspaper articles can be primary sources for historical research

ILS JUBILENT



Les deux parfaits spécimens de poule se réjouissaient de cette façon au de la loi des écoles juives. Mais ils ne durent pas. Le peuple aura son tour.

AVIS

Les Juifs ne sont pas désirés ici, Ste-Agathe est un village canadien français et nous le garderons ainsi.

NOTICE

Jews are not wanted here in Ste. Agathe, so scram while the going is good.

Archival documents provide evidence of antisemitic attitudes in Quebec in the 1930s

MONTREAL JEWRY

WILL CELEBRATE

The Declaration of a Jewish State in Eretz Israel

SUNDAY, MAY 16th, 1948
at 2.30 P.M.

at the

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Come and Participate in this Historic Event

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An poster like this
is evidence of
where and when
an event took
place.



Primary resources are not only found on paper: interviewing people who have experienced historical events is an important research method as well.



A photograph can provide information about an event.. if you look carefully

CHRONICLE 7

"WHITHER THOU GOEST, I WILL GO."—Ruth 1, 16.

"RUTH"

A Sacred Cantata By GAUL

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75 Voices - 35 Musicians

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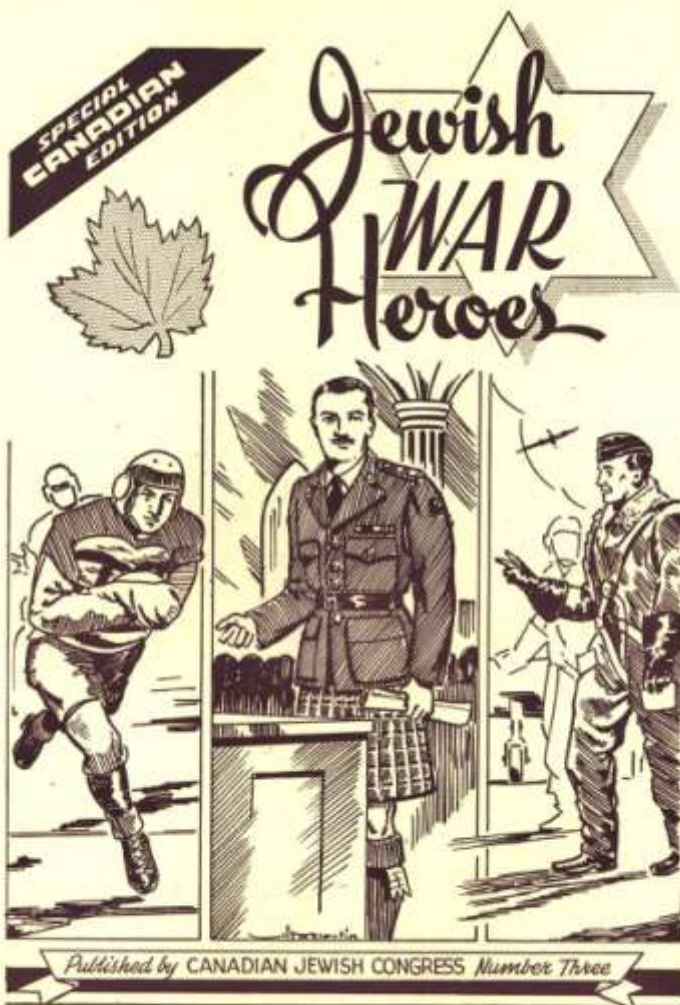
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Perhaps
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these Beth
Jacob school
students from
the 1940s
remember
posing here.



CJC printed this comic book in 1944 to raise Canadian Jewish morale

Meanwhile, mothers worried about their children who had enlisted to fight in the war.

A PRAYER – 1942

I am alone
My child so far
With the enemy he struggles
With the enemy at war.

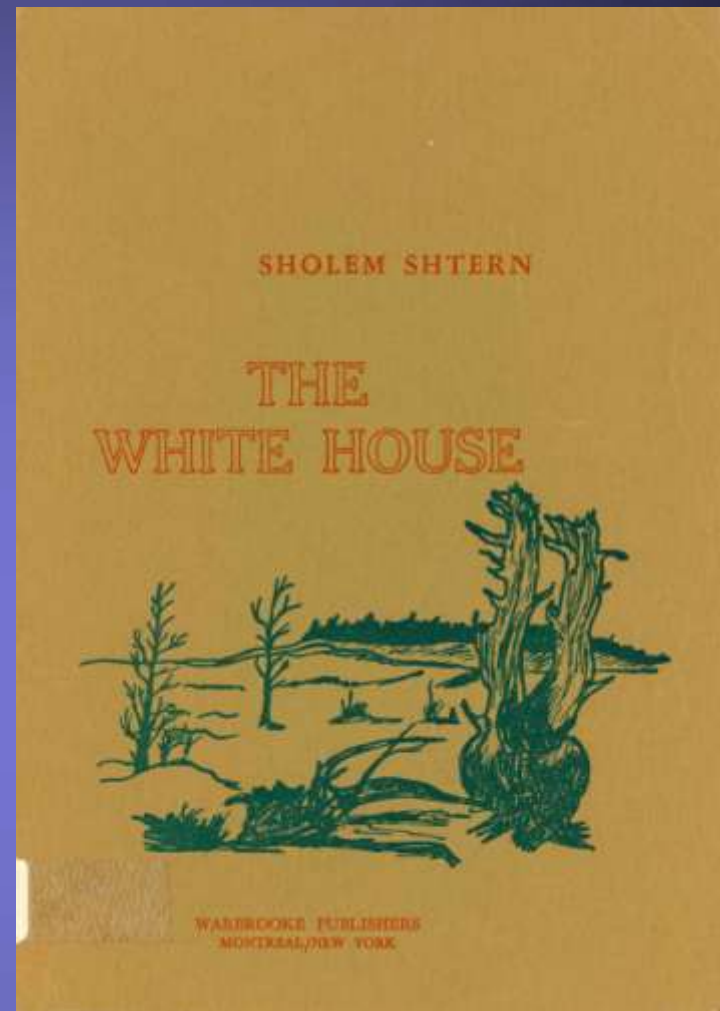
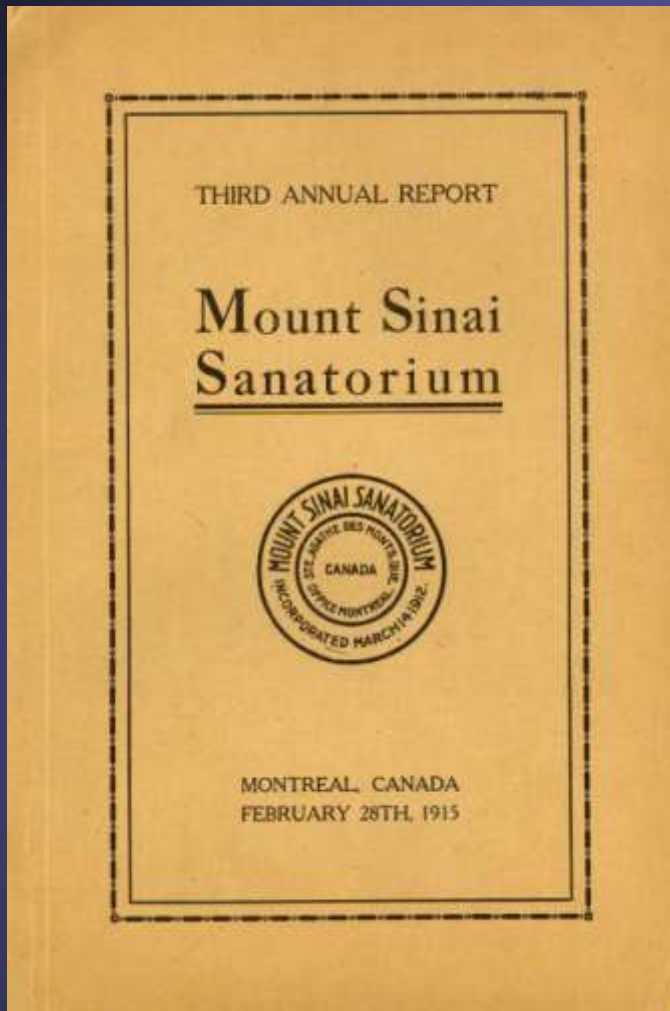
Oh God, hear my pleas
My present prayer.
Protect and guard
My battling child.

Should he be meant to be a hero
To best the enemy,
God strengthen his hand,
Destroy the enemy.

And return him, he my son
From the battlefield.
His young wife awaits him here
His mother too, old and frail
Her head is gray.

The young woman
Longs for her man.
In mother's eyes
No tears remain.

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When doing research in an Archives you can see different sides of a story and then draw your own conclusions.

REPORT OF THE LADIES' AUXILIARY COMMITTEE.

To the Board of Directors of the Mount Sinai Sanatorium.

Gentlemen,—

The Convenor of the Ladies' Auxiliary, Mount Sinai Sanatorium, begs to submit her report for the year ending December 31st, 1914:

At a meeting called by the Convenor, the following ladies: Mrs. I. Friedman, Mrs. Alan J. Hart, Miss Essie Hirsch, Mrs. J. A. Jacobs, Mrs. H. M. Levine, Hon. Sec., Mrs. Paul Ogulnik and Mrs. Ascher Pierce, agreed to act with her in looking after the necessary clothing for the patients and to visit the Sanatorium regularly.

Needing funds to commence work, the Committee decided to ask lady members and friends for donations, and the sum of two hundred and fifty dollars (\$250.00) and articles of clothing, etc., were collected. The amount of sixty-one dollars and eighty-two cents (\$61.82) has been expended for sweaters, felt boots, heavy underwear and stockings, leaving a balance on hand of one hundred and eighty-eight dollars and eighteen cents (\$188.18) for future use. The above articles of clothing, consisting of suits, etc., were sent to the Sanatorium, distributed to the patients, and were much appreciated.

Mrs. H. M. Levine and Mrs. C. L. Friedman visited the Sanatorium on several occasions and found it in splendid running order.

The Sanatorium's Annual Report,
1915

Excerpt from former patient
Sholem Shtern's memoir-based
book *The White House*

THE LADIES COME TO VISIT

Sunday.

On the easychairs, patients glumly wait.
From the balcony, eyes look down
toward the flag fluttering near the gate.

Today, everyone's wearing his newest clothes.
There mustn't be a single crease
in any sheet or pillowcase.
Sufferers, forget your woes!
On the table, in a meticulous row,
place your pen, your paper and your book.
The Ladies Club is coming here
today to take a look.

One lady brings a little basketful of grapes.
'You won't find tastier any place!
We want to put a smile on every face.
None of us shirk our charity work.
We climb a million steps, and that's the truth,
o bring you chocolate and fruit.

The patients look on mutely,
wrapped in gloom,
and breathe the air, tainted
with the smell of sharp perfume.
Beds aligned in a perfect row.
Bedsheets white as untouched snow.

Dr. GIACOMO LANDAU
medico chirurgo
TORINO
Cassa Tel. Emment, 42

Turin 22. II. 39.

Dear Sir,

I have been advised by the
Mosaic Community of Turin, that
you are interesting yourselves to
systematically Jew doctors. I, therefore
take the liberty to call on you
with the hope to succeed resolving
my actual situation.

I am a Pole, 26 years old
and the doctor's degree has been

image, and will reach to the spot with
50-100 dollars U.S.F.

Trusting you would be so good
to take my case under consideration
and awaiting your reply at your
earliest convenience, I thank you and
remain,

Yours faithfully
Dr. Landau Jankiel.

My actual address:

Dr. Jankiel Landau
ul. Syczewskiego 13,
Będzin
Poland.

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S. Lederer Genova CARTE
via Palestro 20 Interno 3.



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*Post Office Mail
from New York.*



Jewish Emigrant
"Hit Society" of Canada.
4226 street
Montreal
Lawrence B. L. J.D.

In the late 1930s,
many European Jews
wrote to JIAS in
Montreal, seeking
help in immigrating to
Canada.

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January 10th, 1939.

Mrs. Maggie Larson,
217 Seigneurs St.,
Montreal.

Dear Mrs. Larson:

We are free to confess that your letter and the interest you and your mother appear to show in Franz Glucksmann has moved us to the very depth of our heart. Unfortunately, we could not answer your inquiry sooner because your letter was placed in a wrong file and we came across it only today.

There is no doubt that any country would gain a good deal by admitting some people like Franz. It so happens, however, that while voicing sympathy, the world does little or nothing at all to help in a concrete fashion. Our own Canada is no exception. The immigration laws enforced in this country do not seem to offer any chance at the present moment to facilitate his entry. We can do no better therefore than keep your letter on file in the hope that the situation may change in the near future and enable us to be of some material assistance.

It goes without saying that we shall be exceedingly glad and happy to communicate the good news to you as soon as it comes to hand.

Very sincerely yours,
JEWISH IMMIGRANT AID SOCIETY OF CANADA.

Executive Director.

MAS:LG

But JIAS officials had to report that Canada's doors were closed



However, the Canadian Jewish Archives also has records of Jews who *did* arrive: a few during the war, and many more afterwards.



IMMIGRATION

'REFUGEE BOULEVARD'

Sloping down from Mount Royal, in the heart of Canada's metropolis is Fletcher's Field, a large area of land, forming a natural descent from the hill but unlike it, violated by civilization: need for mass transportation, the street car tracks and double lane auto highway which form the only eastern passage residential to parts on the other side.

Fletcher's Field has been for more than a generation a vast playground for Montreal's old and young. Of an afternoon, youngsters and their elders gather to play baseball, tennis and other sports. Here, too, on benches scattered on the eastern end, workers of the district sit and talk, mothers take their children for fresh air, and lovers walk hand in hand.

During the past year, however, Fletcher's Field has changed. Not in contour nor in space, but to such an extent that its attendance it has been renamed "Refugee Boulevard" for the large number of newcomers who on Sunday mornings fill it in such large numbers that it looks like an open-air mass meeting.

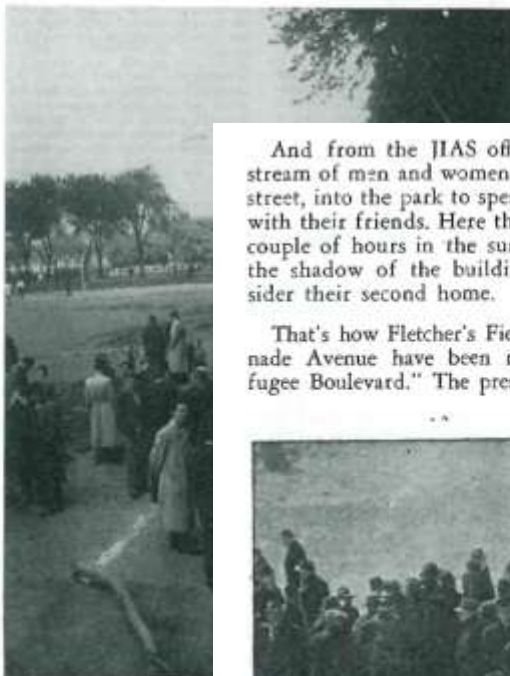
The plain fact is that these people, in the words of one cynic in a taxi squad car who was called by a frightened tenant, "are very orderly, only there are so many of them and all over the street that an incoming automobile may well injure some of them."

The cause of all this excitement and the human mass is the grey-stone building on Esplanade Avenue, facing the park which houses the IJAS Head Office. Not the building itself, but the organization. For to these people IJAS represents a link between their past and future. To this building they come whenever they are not at work to meet their friends; some just to reminisce, others to greet more recent arrivals whom they have not seen since leaving the D.P. camps.

In the winter, IJAS offices and corridors are jam-packed with milling humanity. It is cold outside and the bus leaves prefer the inconvenience of the crowded but insulated warm spot inside of the building. The more adventurous leave the usually very cold outdoors. And it is the same every Sunday and holiday. Only the number grows with more arrivals.

As soon as the first signs of spring appear, the mass moves outside and fills the streets until such time as the wet ground of the park is dried by the sun. Then the park is occupied, and they stay in that section of the Park until 1 p.m. when the offices of IJAS close on Sunday.

They stand in groups and talk in many languages. And they cover a million and one subjects. Some discuss current events. To them this is an *épisode* of subject; most of them know the effect current events had on their lives. Others talk shop; wages, hours and compare notes.



General view of "Refugee Boulevard"

And from the IJAS offices a steady stream of men and women files into the street, into the park to spend some time with their friends. Here they linger the couple of hours in the sun and within the shadow of the building they consider their second home.

That's how Fletcher's Field and Esplanade Avenue have been renamed "Refugee Boulevard." The presence of IJAS

in that neighborhood (where almost 90 per cent of the newcomers are living) has changed the normally placid street into a brisk, milling, noisy gathering of humanity to which Montreal Jewry points with pride.

But their centre of attraction is IJAS. Within its shadows they hover like uncertain children. And they keep coming; Sunday after Sunday, week in, week out

long after they have moved from the temporary homes found for them by IJAS, long after they ceased visiting its social service and naturalization departments, even long after they have become naturalized.

For IJAS to them is home. IJAS watched over them and their faithful Sunday attendance is a sincere tribute to a good friend one is loath to abandon.

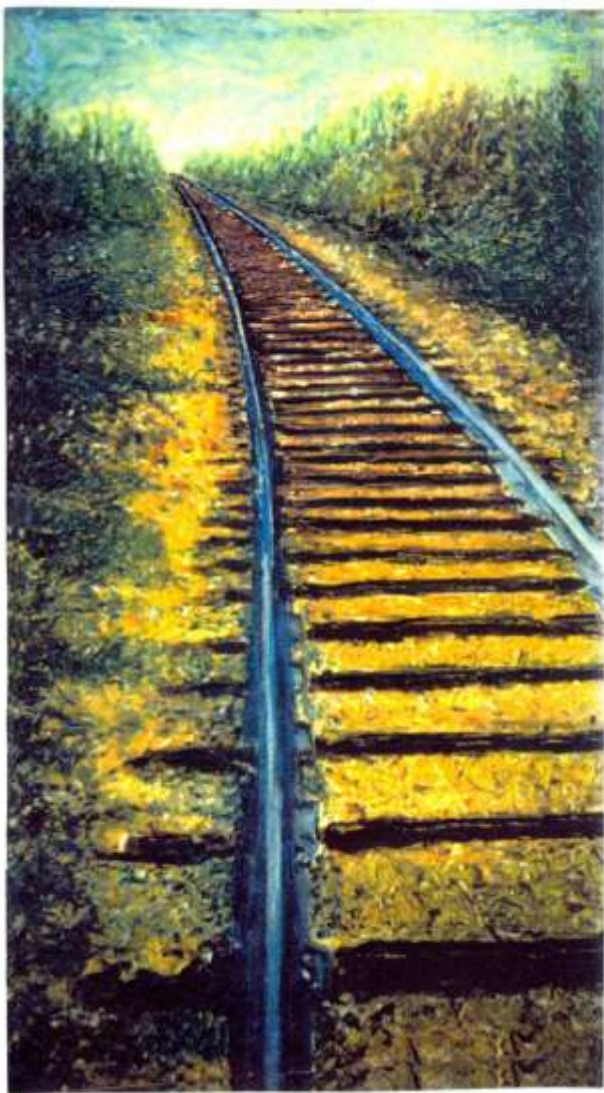


Cold winter weather does not deter these IJAS visitors...



In the summer there is sunshine and much to talk about.

Documents in the Jewish Immigrant Aid Services collection give their perspective on how new immigrants adapted to Montreal life.



Benjamin Rajzale 1963

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The survivor's strife...**

I "danced" my way
Through life.
And the dance is called:—
A survivor's strife;
The melodies were pulsating
With sadness...
A lot of terrible surprises
And sheer madness...
The rhythm unrhythmical,
With disturbing hick-ups,
Robbing freedom
In cruel stick-ups!...

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Liberated I found
My way out,
And it's hard for me
To talk more about.

Adam Gutman, Tome VI of Aporismos, Abercorn, Quebec.
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And everyone has their own story... These Holocaust-influenced creations are by musician/ composer Adam Gutman (a.k.a. George Adams)

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1. Letter from Mr. Harry Baldwin, secretary to Rt. Hon. MacKenzie King, sent in by Mr. William Shapiro of Yarmouth, N.S., re: William Shapiro and representations on behalf of the appointment of Mr. A. J. Freiman to the Senate.
 2. Document from Rev. D. Cvik of St. Sophie, Quebec: - A dispute between Mr. Mendel Shimein & Mr. Isaac Sugar in 1922 and decision of the Arbitration Committee.
 3. Purchase Contract between Mr. Kaplan & Mr. Zalman of St. Sophie, Que. 1914.
 4. Sixteen copies of various issues of The Judaean, dating back to 1918, sent in by Mr. Jos. N. Frank of Montreal.
 5. Copy of act concerning the sale of Kosher food adopted in the State of New York and draft that he made in December 1928, of a by-law for the sale of Kosher meat, sent in by Mr. Bernard Figler.
 6. Original memorandum of the founding of a Hebrew Teachers Cooperative Loan Syndicate on December 15, 1913, also sent in by Mr. Figler.
 7. Letter sent by the Victoria Masonic Lodge No. 1, to Jewish Congregation, on the occasion of the laying of the synagogue cornerstone in June 1863, which was submitted to the Archives Committee by Mr. R. L. Reid, K.C., of Vancouver, through Mr. D. Rome, editor of the Jewish Western Bulletin.

Books and Documents donated by Mr. & Mrs. Bram C. De Sola, in the name of Rabbi Meldola De Sola:

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Biographical sketch:

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Scope and content:

Correspondence, sermon, reminiscence. Press clippings. Obituaries. Canadian Jewish Farm School 1926-1929. Miscellaneous.

Related groups of records: Farm school photo in JCA collection.

General note: Mostly originals, press clippings.

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