



Canadian Jewish Heritage Network



COLTON, Rabbi J. L. = Registration books.

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Collection: COLTON, Rabbi J. L. = Registration books.

Description Level: Fonds

Physical Description: 34 notebooks.

Scope and Content:

34 notebooks organized alphabetically by year; recording the names of the boys circumcised in Montreal and small Quebec towns in the surrounding region, including the Laurentian foothills. The notebooks also include the records of a small number of marriages performed by Rabbi Colton as well as girls' births recorded by him. The notebooks can be used in order to find civil record folios containing additional information

Date: 1917-1953.

Fonds No.: P0167

History Biographical:

Rabbi Colton was the primary mohel (ritual circumciser) for Montreal and the surrounding area during the late 1910s to the early 1950s. His handwritten registration books thus provide a key to locating birth and other vital records recorded in greater detail in civil archives.

Custodial History: The collection was donated by Annette Colton and Fay (Colton) Magid, daughter-in-law and daughter of Rabbi Colton. The initial contact was made through the Jewish Genealogical Society of Montreal. Copies of the books have been made by the society prior to donation.

Notes:

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Archival / Archival Descriptions

Genealogical:

Repository: Canadian Jewish Archives