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## ARCHIVES

Evelyn Zaritt Papers

1999.FIA.03

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### Collection Information

Abstract: Evelyn Zaritt Papers consists of a single document, a wedding invitation for Miss Branson and Solomon Shear, March 19, 1916, printed in English and Hebrew.

Finding Aid: Written Finding Aid available in the Repository. Item level control.

Preferred Citation: Archives of the Worcester Historical Museum, 30 Elm Street, Worcester, Massachusetts.

Provenance: Given by Evelyn Zaritt, 13 Beaconsfield Rd., Worcester. No other information available.

Access: The Finding Aid is cataloged in MARC under the following subject headings (lcsh, gmgpc, etc.)

Branson, Celia.

Shear, Max Solomon.

Invitation cards – Massachusetts – Worcester (lcsh)

Invitations – Massachusetts – Worcester (gmgpc)

Jews – Massachusetts – Worcester.

Jews – Massachusetts – Worcester – Social life and customs.

### Historical/Biographical Information

The “Miss Branson” was Celia Branson. Solomon was a widower with two daughters at the time of the marriage. He always signed his name as Max Solomon Shear. Both bride and groom were born in Eastern Europe. Solomon was born in shtetl of Ponadel, Celia’s birthplace unknown. Celia and Solomon had three children. Celia is said to have been a Hebrew scholar. Solomon was a ritual slaughterer (schochet) like his father before him. He worked for Chicago Beef.

### Scope and Content

The collection consists of a single document, a wedding invitation for the wedding of Miss [Celia] Branson and Solomon Shear, March 19, 1916. The invitation is printed in both English and Hebrew.

### Series Description

Series 1: Invitations. Includes a single item, a wedding invitation printed in English and Hebrew for the wedding of Miss [Celia] Branson and Solomon Shear, March 19, 1916.

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Series 1, Invitations

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