Foundation of the Czenstochover and Vicinity Aid Society of Montreal

Horrified by the destruction of European Jewry, in general, and that of Częstochowa in particular, which the murderous Nazi regime, with its genocidal policy, brought about, a group of old-established Częstochower landsleit in Montreal came together on 16th December 1945 and founded an association named the “Czenstochover and Vicinity Aid Society of Montreal”.

The office-bearers of this society were as follows¹:

- George Klein - Honorary President;
- Jack Weigensberg - Honorary Vice-President;
- Leon D. Krystal QC - Legal Advisor, Honorary Chairman;
- H. Berk - President;
- Nathan Gelber - Vice-President;
- David Gelber - Treasurer;
- M. Borzikofski - Membership Secretary;
- M. Silver - Recording Secretary;
- L. Yablon – Aid Committee Chairman;
- Yecheskel Silver - Public Relations;
- A. Mayerowicz - Steering Committee Chairman.

The Ladies’ Auxiliary was made up of:

- Mrs Belt,
- Mrs Yarost,
- Mrs Borzikofski
- Mrs George Klein.

¹ [TN: We have rendered these names and others exactly as they appear in the English-language part of “Czenstochov, Our Legacy” (1993).]