

Szlojme Waga



Szlojme Waga was born in Częstochowa and lived at Aleja 24.

“On Bloody Monday”, Waga was taken as a *zakładnik* [Pol., hostage]. He was in the “Big Ghetto” for its entire duration. Following the liquidation of the “Small Ghetto” in June 1943, he was in a bunker, together with his family, until liberation on 17th January 1945.

It was while he was in the bunker that he wrote his experiences, which were published in 1949 in the form of a book titled *Churban Czenstochow*.

In 1949, Waga arrived in Canada and settled in Montreal. He immediately became active in the Society. Firstly, he held the office of Secretary and later that of Chairman. He made appearances, delivering speeches at the memorial services and at various functions of the Society.



For the last few years, Szlojme has been living in Toronto. Despite the fact that Waga is currently residing there, he still takes part in all the activities of the Society in Montreal.