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Doctoral Dissertation, correspondence and notes, 1957-1963.

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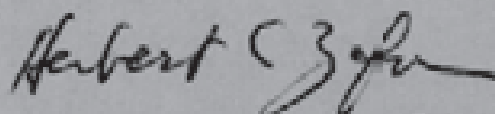
Rabbi Daniel Jeremy Silver  
The Temple  
East 105th Street at Ansel Rd.  
Cleveland 6, Ohio

Dear Rabbi Silver:

The enclosed photostats indicate what our library holdings are on Abraham ben David. I do not recall any recent studies but I cannot say for sure, since our staff is too small to permit us to undertake such searches.

Some weeks ago I wrote you inquiring about the possibility of getting a recording of the complete service honoring your father. If you did not receive this letter, please let me know so I can repeat my request.

Very sincerely yours,



Herbert C. Zafren  
Administrative Secretary

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Abraham ben David of Posquières.

Le poème final du commentaire de "Kinnim"  
d'Abraham b. David. [Ed. by A. Marx.] (Re-  
vue des études juives. Paris, 1911.  
8. v. 61, p. 133-135.)

Abraham ben David, of Posquières.

ספר אסור סשהו להראב"ד.  
[In: Assaf, S. ספרן של ראשונים.  
Jerusalem, 1935. 8. p. 185-198.]

IF Abraham ben David, of Posquières.

ספר בעל הנפש אשר חבר... רבינו אברהם בר דוד  
על הלכות נדה... והטעם סבינו מחור"ר זרחיה  
הלוי... והלכות נדה להרמב"ן וחרושים הרב  
[Ed. by Abraham b. Menachem Menke.]  
ברלין, [תקכ"ז]

[Berlin: 1768.] 1 p.l., (74) f. 4 & 8.  
K.-H.

IF 1.

Abraham ben David, of Posquières.

[בעלי הנפש] בעל הנפש אשר חבר רבינו  
אברהם בר דוד על הלכות נדה עם הטעם  
סבינו זרחיה הלוי... גם הלכות נדה  
להרמב"ן...]

IF 2.

Abraham ben David, of Posquières. [cont.]

Prag: A. Strasschiripke, 1811. 40 f.  
4 & sq. 8.

-- --- A second copy.

IF 3.

Abraham ben David, of Posquières. [cont.]

-- --- [Berdichev: Israel b. Abraham, 1817.]  
40 f. sq. 8.

מאמריו בראשונים.

Tinted paper.

IF 4.

Abraham ben David, of Posquières. [cont.]

-- --- [Lemberg, 1860.] 40 f. 12.

Erroneously paged.

הלכות הרמב"ן lacking.

IF 5.

Abraham ben David, of Posquières. [cont.]

-- --- [Wilna: Defus ve-Hoza'ah, 1911.]

40 f. sq. 12.

IF Abraham ben David, of Posquières.  
בעלי הנפש לרבינו הראב"ד... עם הטעם רבינו  
זרחיה הלוי והלכות נדה... להרמב"ן...  
והוספנו... קונטרס... בעניני קדושת אריות  
להרמב"ן, נקרא בשם אברהם הקורט.  
[Ed. by J. Kluger.] [New York: A. M. Nagel, 1954?] 120 p. 8.

Anastatic reprint.

Abraham ben David, of Posquières.

בעלי חסם לרבינו הראב"ד... עם הלוח  
זרחיה הלוי והלכות נדר... להרשב"א... וזכור  
אברהם הקודש להרשב"א... ירושלם חס"ו [1955].  
192 p. 18 cm.

Abraham ben David, of Posquières.

ספר דברי הריבנות כולל המבוא ספר בין זרחיה  
ב"ר יצחק הלוי (הרזיה)... והר"ר אברהם ב"ר  
דוד (הראב"ד)... בסוגיות שתי פרות ושאר ענינים  
הנלוים אליה... הוצאתו לאור... על פי כתב יד  
יח"ר... עם פירוש קצר... אני דוב בן בנימין  
[New York: I. Rachlin & Co., 1907].  
xxiii, 56 p., 1 facs. 8.

Also English t.-p.

Abraham ben David, of Posquières.

דרשה לראש השנה. [פאח] אברום ב"ר דוד  
מפוסקירס. יוצא לאור סתוך כתב יד על ידי  
א. שישא הלוי. לונדון, חס"ו [1954].  
55 p. 22 cm.

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Abraham ben David, of Posquières.

הרושי הראב"ד על ספנה בנא קמא. יוצא לאור ע"י  
מ"י... בהוספה מנא, הקדמה והנחה מאת ש.א.א.ס.  
[London: Ha-Itim, 1948.] 47,397 p.,  
2 L., (i)iv-xxxiv p. 8.

Also English t.-p.

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Abraham ben David, of Posquières.

[הרושי אברהם בן דוד] הרושי הראב"ד על  
ספנה בנא קמא. יוצא לאור ע"י מ"י...  
בהוספה מנא, הקדמה והנחה מאת ש.א.א.ס.  
[London: Ha-Itim, 1948.] 47,397 p.,  
2 L., (i)iv-xxxiv p. 8.

Also English t.-p.

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Abraham ben David, of Posquières.

הס' דע'ים מהראב"ד... שאלות ותשובות  
ופסקים וז"ל השנוה על הרי"ף, והוא חלק  
רביעי [שלישי] מספר הוסה ישרים...  
Lemberg: H. Grossman, 1811. 1 p.L., 57 f.  
f.

1P

Abraham ben David, of Posquières.

See: Adret, Solomon ben Abraham.

עבודה ואקדש... להרב חמאון הרשב"א וספר בעלי

הנפש להתאשל וברזל הראב"ד... ויניציאה

(בסוף).

[Venice, 1603.] 4 & 8.

R.-M.-P.

HN

Abraham ben David, of Posquières.

See: Asher ben Jehiel, of Toledo.

פירוש הרא"ש והראב"ד על סנוי' על סמיר...

ומר"ד על ר"ם... פראג, תפ"ה.

[Prague, 1725.] 4.

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1.

Abraham ben David, of Posquières, comm.  
Baraita of Rabbi Ishmael.

בריתא דשלש עשרה סדור דרבי ישמעאל השנייה

בתורה כתובים (לפרא). עם... פירוש... רבינו

אברהם בר דוד בפסקידו...

LB

2.

Abraham ben David, of Posquières, comm.  
Baraita of Rabbi Ishmael. [cont.]

[Wilna: "Rama", 1925.] 1 p.L., 28 f. 8.

Ed. with: סידור אברהם הראב"ד Wilna, 1925.

2.ed. 8.

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Abraham ben David, of Posquières, comm.  
Baraita of Rabbi Ishmael.

כרימא דשליש עשרה סדוה דרב' י'סמקאל... עם...  
פ'רוש... רב'יוו אכרום בר דוד מפשק'ירו...

[Wilna: "Rom", 1925.] 1 p.l., 28 f. 8.

Bd. with: סדרש שמואל Wilna, 1925. 8.

IN 1.

Abraham ben David, of Posquières.  
Bassani, Israel Benjamin.

סדוה שלמים... החלק הראשון; וקרא זכתי סדוה  
כולל פ'רוש' הר"ן לשמנה נדה, השנוה רב'יו  
זרמיה על ספר בעל' חופש להראב"ד, הנהוה  
לספר בעל' חופש, הלבוה נדה להרמב"ן. החלק  
השני וקרא לחס' סדוה, שאלוה וחשובוה סן  
הרב י'סע'הו בן י'שרא' חוק'הו באסאן.  
[Ed. with additions by I.B. Bassani.]  
וי' י'ציאת, אשר.

IN 2.

Abraham ben David, of Posquières.

Bassani, I.B.

[cont.]

[Venice: I. Foa, by Bragadina, 1741.]

2 v., [bd. in one]. 4 k 8.

Without date of publication.

IN 3.

Abraham ben David, of Posquières.

Bassani, I.B.

[cont.]

-- --- Another issue.

Complete imprint on t.p. With additional material  
in the beginning and at the end (f. 99b-100),  
also 1 f. of errata.

-- --- A second copy.

Without 2. of errata.

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Abraham ben David, of Posquières.

See: David ben Nahum ha-Kohen.

לשון חכמים... פירוש הרא"ש והראב"ד [?] על

ספד החור, פירוש הרא"ש על ספד קינין וסירה,

פירוש הראב"ד על שלש עשרה סירות... כל אלה

חברו... על י"י... רור בכ"ר נחום הכהן...

[8 pt.] ליאורנו וחיכל חופר

[Lehmann, 1781.] f.

R.-M.-P.

DR

1.

Abraham ben David, of Posquières.

Gad, Hayyim Joseph Issar.

עשרה מאורות הגדולים; פירושים על  
החור ועל נ"ך, ספר יהושע וסופרים, ספר  
התלים ועל חסד מילוח ספד כתבי יד.  
מאת חיים יוסף איסר... יד... יותניסבורג;  
המחבר, חסי"נ [1952].

147 p. 27 cm.

חובן: ס"י על החור סרינו רב יהוראי

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2.

Abraham ben David, of Posquières.

Gad, H.J.I.

[cont.] עשרה מאורות הגדולים...

ואון; ס"י על החור סרינו יספיה ר'  
טראני הראשון ועל ספר התלים וחסד מילוח,  
כתב יד; ס"י הרשב"א על החור; ס"י מהרם  
סריסבורג על החור; ס"י הרא"ש על החור;  
ס"י הראב"ד על החור; ס"י יהודה בן בלעם  
על ספר יהושע וספר סופרים, סה שונות על  
ידי סריסבורג לעברית; ס"י יוסף יעביץ על

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3.

Abraham ben David, of Posquières.

Gad, H.J.I.

[cont.] עשרה מאורות הגדולים...

מגילה רוח; ס"י יוסף קרא על קהל כתב  
יד; ס"י אברהם שריצול על קהל; ס"י כתב  
יד יסן בלי סה על קהל; ס"י יורה חבלי  
סה בוסן מאונ"ס סנין סבר וקונס;  
מאורים אחרים על קהל סמני המאסף.

Abraham ben David, of Posquières, comm.  
Geiger, Abraham.

Der Commentar des Abraham ben David zu  
Sifre, und Abraham Buhat... (Juedische  
Zeitschrift für Wissenschaft und Leben.  
Breslau, 1872. B. Jahrg. 10, p. 129-  
133.)

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Abraham ben David, of Posquières.

See: Jaffe, Mordecai ben Samuel.

חדושי ספד קדושי'ן לאחר סן הקדמונים לא

נודע שמו וכסופו... פירוש... על ספד קנים

לשלש גדולי חור... הראב"ד... רבינו ירחיה

הלוי וחשלישי... הרא"ש... חובא לביה הרפוס על

י"י... סריסבורג ספד ספד ספד ספד ספד ספד...

קוסמאוריה, תקופה.

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Abraham ben David, of Posquières. [cont.]

[Constantinople, 1781.] f.

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Abraham ben David, of Posquières.

Levin, Baruch Isaac.

רבי לוי; באורים ברס"ס ובראב"ד;

הלכות כלים... [שיעורים בס"ס כ"ב.] מאת

ברוך יצחק לוי... ירושלים, חס"נ [1948].

96, 14 p. 34 cm.

1.

Abraham ben David, of Posquières.

See: London, Jacob ben Judah.

שבעה עינים... הרמב"ן לפרק זה בורר ולמסכת  
סכות וספר הזוהר על השניות הראב"ד נגד  
הריא"ה... שו"ת... מהר"י אבותב, מהר"י די

2.

Abraham ben David, of Posquières. [cont.]

ליאון, נסים בן באנובוסה, יצחק די זא"ה...  
[Ed. by Jacob b. Judah, London.]

Livorno, 1745. 4 & 8.

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Abraham ben David, of Posquières.

Maimonides, Moses. [Mishneh Torah.]

[מסנה תורה] מחבור הגדול הנקרא מסנה  
תורה לרב משה בן סימון כולל יר ספר'...  
[עם השניות הרבאב"ד, הנהיג מייסודות סאה  
סאיר הכתן, סגיר מסנה סאה ויראל די סולווא,  
סגיר עזי סאה סס סוב בן אבותב, ס' ר'  
עובדיה על הלכות קדוש החורש].

[Constantinople: D. & I. Ibn Mahmud, 1509.]

14 pts., bd. in 3. f. 32 cm.

1.

Abraham ben David, of Posquières.

Maimonides, Moses. [Sefer Ha-Mizvot.]

ספר המצוות להושר רבינו משה בן סימון

[tr. from the Arabic by M. B. S. Ibn

...]. [Tibbon והחונים עליו: א] ושניות הרמב"ן...



2.  
 Abraham ben David, of Posquières.  
 Maimonides, Moses. [Sefer ha-Mizwot.] [cont.]  
 (ב) ספר סולח אסור להרב כמוהר"ר יצחק די  
 ליאון, (ג) ספר סרנויחא סבא להרב כמוהר"ר  
 אריה ליב זיסל סנ"ל הורח"ץ, (ד) ספר לב

3.  
 Abraham ben David, of Posquières.  
 Maimonides, Moses. [Sefer ha-Mizwot.] [cont.]  
 שמח להרב כמוהר"ר אברהם אלינרי... (ה) ספר  
 קנאת פוסקים להרב כמוהר"ר חנוניא כו"ס...  
 (ו)... כל המצות שבאו עליהן השנוח הראב"ד,

4.  
 Abraham ben David, of Posquières.  
 Maimonides, Moses. [Sefer ha-Mizwot.] [cont.]  
 וגם חשובות סה"י הארז... (ז) ספר דרך  
 מצותין להרב כמוהר"ר יהודה רוזאניס...  
 חדושים בספר זוהר חרמ"ק להנאון הרשב"ץ

5.  
 Abraham ben David, of Posquières.  
 Maimonides, Moses. [Sefer ha-Mizwot.] [cont.]  
 ומספר מעין החכמה להנאון מוהר"ר חיים נח  
 אבי אנדק"ק אה"ו. חלק ראשון-שני.  
 [Warsaw: I. Goldman, 1883.] 2 v., [bd.]

6.  
 Abraham ben David, of Posquières.  
 Maimonides, Moses. [Sefer ha-Mizwot.] [cont.]  
 in one]. f.

חלק ראשון: י"ד הפרטים.  
 " שני: סו"ן המצות.

-- --- A second copy.

1.  
 Abraham ben David, of Posquières.  
 See: Metel, Benjamin ben Abraham.  
 תחלת ישרים... זהיה לארבעה ראשים, שם  
 האור אחלי חס... ושם השני דרך חסים...  
 ושם הנחר חסלישי חסים דעים זהוא ספר

2.  
 Abraham ben David, of Posquières. [cont.]  
 פסקי הראב"ד והטובותיו על חרי"ף...  
 [Ed. by Benjamin b. Abraham Metel.]  
 Venetia, 1622. f.

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Abraham ben David, of Posquières.

Nahmanides, Moses.

ספר חזקוני הוא ספר חזקוני להרב רבנו משה  
בר נחמן על הסוגות הראשונים שהשיג על  
ר"י אלפסי כשלוש סבבמות: יבמות, כתובות,

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Abraham ben David, of Posquières.

Nahmanides, Moses.

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ניסיון...

[Vienna: A.Schmidt, 1805.] 14 f. f.

Running ti. ספר חזקוני.

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Abraham ben David, of Posquières.  
Sifra.

comm.

[זה ספר חזקוני הנקרא ספר דברי רב  
עם פירוט הראשון וז"ל.]  
n.p., n.d. [Constantinople, 1520?] 46 L. f. & 4.

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Abraham ben David, of Posquières,  
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ספר דברי רב... כולל סדרשי חומאים לספר  
ויקרא עם פירוט רבינו אברהם בן דוד  
מפסק'יו... והחזקת החת'ו מאמר סגור החלסוד  
ענינו הערות וסדרא מקומות כסני החלסודים  
ובחוסמא ובראשונים וחילופי הנוסחאות...  
הכינו סו"ה איך הרש הי"ס. חזק לבי"ח  
הדפוס... על יד יעקב הכהן שלאסנברג.  
Wien: J.Schlossberg, 1868. 1 p.L.,  
viii p., 115 f. f.

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Abraham ben David, of Posquières, comm.  
Sifra. [cont.]

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Abraham ben David, of Posquières, comm.  
Sifra.

ספרא דבי רב... כולל סדרי התנאים לספר  
ויקרא עם פירוש רבינו אברהם בן דוד  
מפסקירו... והחזנה תחתיו סאמר ספורת

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Abraham ben David, of Posquières, comm.  
Sifra. [cont.]

התלמוד ענינו הערוך ומראה מקומות בסני  
התלמודים ובתוספתא ובראשונים וחילופי  
הנוסחאות שבין הספרא לשאר ספרים הסביאים

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Abraham ben David, of Posquières, comm.  
Sifra. [cont.]

אותו הקרו נב חביו מו"ח איוק הרש חס  
חובא לבית הרפוס... על ידי יעקב הכהן  
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Abraham ben David, of Posquières, comm.  
Sifra. [cont.]

Wien: J. Schlossberg, 1862. 1 p.L.,  
viii p., 115 f. f.

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Abraham ben David, of Posquières, comm.  
Talmud.- Moed.- Bezah. 1934.

...ביאור  
[With the standard commentaries. To which  
are added excerpts from the Mishneh Torah  
by Moses son of Maimon bearing upon the  
respective passages of the Talmud. Also  
the critical remarks of Rabbi Abraham ben  
David of Posquières. Comp. and ed. by J.  
L. Moinester.] [New York: Moinester Pub.

2.

Abraham ben David, of Posquières, comm.  
Talmud.- Moed.- Bezah. [cont.]  
Co., in Brooklyn, N.Y., 1934.] 2 p.L.,  
8-40, 9 f., 3 L., 12 f., 1 L. f.

Remarks by Rebad have sep. t.-p. and pag.

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1.

Abraham ben David, of Posquières.  
Gross, Heinrich, rabbi, 1835-1910.

R. Abraham b. David aus Posquieres. Sein  
Leben und seine Schriften. Ein literarhis-  
torischer Versuch... Krotoschin: B.L.  
Monasch & Co., [1874]. 1 p.L., 82 p.

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Abraham ben David, of Piquières.<sup>2</sup>  
Gross, Heinrich.-Abraham... [cont.]

Repr.: Monatsschrift für Geschichte und Wis-  
senschaft des Judenthums. Jahrg.22-  
23.

REF. R.

*Abraham ben David, of Piquières.*  
Marx, Alexander.  
R.Abraham b. David et R. Zerahya ha-  
Lévi. (Revue des études juives. Paris,  
1910. B. v.39,p.200-224.)

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Abraham ben David, of Sokolow, ed.  
Joshua Hoeschel ben Joseph, of Gracow, and  
Lima, L.

אמ"ם ואזנ"ם... פ"ל פולא חר"ם...  
פ"ן... מזה' יו"ע הע"ל סקראקא... וסרבינו  
פ"ה [ל"סא]... פ"ד... מ"ו מר"צ"ם אנדו"ס  
זה לזה דרך שאלה ומשובה...

[Ed. by Abraham ben David, of Sokolow.]  
n.p. [Bialystok: A.Horowitz, 1806.]  
24 f. sq.8.

July 11, 1957

Mr. Herbert C. Zafren  
Hebrew Union College  
Clifton Avenue  
Cincinnati, Ohio

Dear Mr. Zafren:

I am preparing my doctoral dissertation. I wonder if you would be kind enough to list for me any historical or critical studies which have been made on Abraham ben David of Posquirres. I, of course, know of his major commentaries but I am unaware of any recent studies which have been made in either the periodical theses or scholarly literature.

With warmest personal regards, I remain

Cordially yours,

DANIEL JEREMY SILVER

DJS:rw

July 17, 1957

Dr. O. M. Jolles  
Chairman, Committee on the History of Culture  
Department of the Humanities  
University of Chicago  
The Midway  
Chicago, Illinois

Dear Dr. Jolles:

I have completed the prospectus on my thesis which I herein enclose. I thought I would submit it to you before coming to Chicago this summer in order that I might be prepared to answer any questions that you might have on my proposed piece of work. I hope that one trip to Chicago can complete our plans at this stage.

Essentially, you will see that I have undertaken quite a piece of work. I have been digging away at it for about a year now and feel that it is not beyond the doing. It certainly deserves being done. I believe it fits into the program of our History of Culture Committee.

If all works well, I hope to have a basic draft done by next summer which I intend to spend in Chicago completing my course work and working with some of the men at the University. I have, of course, a problem in that direction since Dr. Marcus has passed away, but I think that I can, on my own, seek out trained advisors in the field of rabbinics and will save my general questions until next summer.

I hope this letter finds you in good health. I am looking forward to seeing you in the near future. Please advise me when it would be best to come.

Cordially yours,

DANIEL JEREMY SILVER

DJS:rw  
Enc.



July 29, 1957

Hebrew Union College Library  
Clifton Boulevard  
Cincinnati, Ohio

Attention: Mr. Herbert Zafren

Dear Mr. Zafren:

I should like to borrow a copy of the following thesis from your library:

Kravitz - Text, Allegory, and Symbol

Please mail the book to me, c/o The Temple, East 105th Street at  
Ansel Road, Cleveland 6, Ohio, at your earliest convenience.

Thank you for your cooperation in this matter.

Cordially,

DANIEL JEREMY SILVER

DJS:lg

August 14, 1937

Mr. Herbert C. Zafren  
Hebrew Union College  
The Library  
Clifton Avenue  
Cincinnati 20, Ohio

Dear Mr. Zafren:

The manuscript of Kravitz' Thesis is being returned to you by separate mail. We deeply appreciate your helping securing it for me.

I wonder if The Hebrew Union College has a copy of Sefer Hamanoah by Manoah of Lunel. If so, what arrangements can be made to use it?

Cordially yours,

DANIEL JEREMY SILVER

DJS:lg

August 26, 1957

Mr. Herbert C. Zafren  
The Library  
Hebrew Union College  
Clifton Avenue  
Cincinnati 20, Ohio

Dear Mr. Zafren:

I am returning to you under separate cover the Sefer HaManuah.  
It is , however, not the text which I required.

I required the book "Sefer HaManoah" by Manoah of Lunel. It  
is a commentary on Maimonides' Code. The only edition of  
which I know was published in Constantinople in 1714.

With all good wishes, I remain

Cordially yours,

DANIEL JEREMY SILVER

DJS:lg

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*The Library*

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August 27, 1957

Rabbi Daniel Jeremy Silver  
The Temple  
E. 105th Street at Ansel Road  
Cleveland 6, Ohio

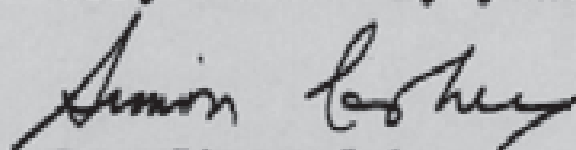
Dear Rabbi Silver:

In Mr. Zafren's absence, I am hastening to answer  
your letter of August 26th.

The Sefer HaManuah and the Sefer HaManoah are the  
same book, as you can find by referring to the Jewish  
Encyclopedia on Manoah. We sent you the Pressburg  
edition, which is larger and easier to read, but we  
also have the Constantinople 1714 edition which is  
smaller and not as well printed.

Please let us know which you prefer.

Very sincerely yours,



Dr. Simon Cohen  
Reference Librarian

SC:mr



August 28, 1957

Dr. Simon Cohen  
Reference Librarian  
The Library  
Hebrew Union College  
Clifton Avenue  
Cincinnati 20, Ohio

Dear Dr. Cohen:

I am sorry for the mix up. When I read that you were sending the Sefer HaManuah I did not even bother to open it up, assuming a typographical error.

I wonder if you would be kind enough to return the book to me for use.

Cordially yours,

DANIEL JEREMY SILVER

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THE UNIVERSITY OF CHICAGO  
CHICAGO 37 • ILLINOIS  
THE COMMITTEE ON HISTORY OF CULTURE

November 26, 1957

Mr. Daniel Jeremy Silver  
The Temple  
East 105th Street at Ansel Road  
Cleveland 6, Ohio

Dear Mr. Silver:

The term is well advanced, and I wonder whether you still intend to come to Chicago before the Christmas vacation. Perhaps it would be good to make sure that Mr. Cate will be here and available on the day you want to come. Any late afternoon with the exception of Fridays and Wednesdays would suit me.

I hope that you are well and in good health.

Sincerely yours,

*Mathijs Jolles*

O.J.M. Jolles  
Chairman

OJMJ:FF



December 6, 1957

Dr. O. J. M. Jolles  
The University of Chicago  
Chicago 37, Illinois

Dear Dr. Jolles:

I am sorry that it was not possible for me to come to Chicago during the past month. I am well on the way toward completion of the first chapter of my thesis, and would like to have this in hand before I come before you.

I shall make every effort to be in Chicago within the next two months.

Cordially,

DANIEL JEREMY SILVER

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April 8, 1959

Rabbi Daniel Silver  
Congregation Tifereth Israel  
E. 105th St. and Ansel Rd.  
Cleveland 6, Ohio

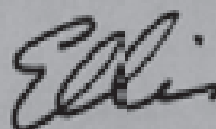
Dear Danny:

I had a long talk with Leonard Kravitz and it appears that he has been concentrating precisely on the Maimonidean - Anti-Maimonidean controversy and is contemplating a full treatment. In view of my previous relationship to him and the subject that he originally undertook at my suggestion, I feel that I must decline your very flattering invitation to serve as your adviser. However, I would be willing to be a referee, that is, to read and appraise your thesis and to participate as an examiner, with the full understanding that any evaluation that I make would in no way be affected by my relationship to Kravitz and his work.

It was a real pleasure to have had the opportunity of discussing some of these problems with you and I regret that I cannot be more fully involved in your very worthwhile project. I suspect that the subject will lend itself to two theses, for I am sure that not only will you both be approaching the problem from different angles but I imagine that you will be utilizing different sources. In any event, good luck!

With every best wish and fondest personal regards, I am

Sincerely,



Ellis Rivkin

June 16, 1958

Dr. O. M. Jolles  
Chairman, Committee on the History of Culture  
Department of the Humanities  
University of Chicago  
5801 South Ellis  
Chicago 37, Illinois

Dear Dr. Jolles:

I plan to be in Chicago on Wednesday and Thursday, June 25th and 26th. I wonder if it would be possible to meet with you either on the afternoon of the 25th or any time during the day of the 26th. I am hard at work on my dissertation but badly need your guidance in many areas.

With warmest personal regards, I remain

Cordially yours,

DANIEL JEREMY SILVER

DJS:lg



July 14, 1958

→ Librarian  
Bodleian Library  
Library of Oxford University  
Oxford, England

Dear Sirs:

According to the Jewish Encyclopedia your manuscript Bodl. No.617 2<sup>o</sup> contains a copy of Hassagot by Moses Ha Kohen of Lunel to the Mishneh Terah of Maimonides. I would appreciate photostatic copies of this manuscript. I am of course prepared to defray all expenses. I am eager to deal with this manuscript and trust that you will be able to forward it to me with dispatch.

My mailing address is:

The Temple  
East 105th Street at Ansel Road  
Cleveland 6, Ohio

Cordially.

DANIEL JEREMY SILVER

DJS:lg

August 14, 1957

Librarian  
Bodleian Library  
Oxford, England

Dear Sir:

I would like to make arrangements with you for the photostating of the manuscript: Mss. Bodl. No. 617, Second Catalogue Page 119: A Manuscript of Comments and Corrections on the Mishneh Torah of Maimonides by Moses HaKohen.

I will appreciate any help which you can give me in this matter.

Very truly yours,

DANIEL JEREMY SILVER

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NEW YORK 27, N. Y.

OFFICE OF THE LIBRARIAN

November 2, 1959

Dear Rabbi Silver:

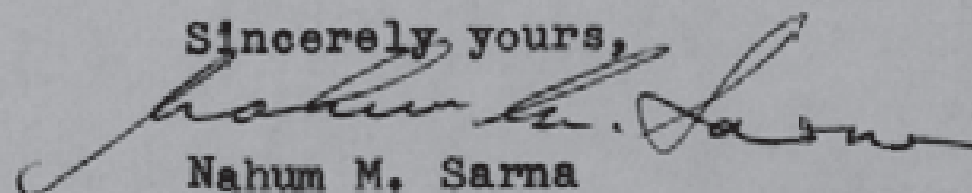
I wrote you on September 8, 1959, in reply  
to your question about a commentary of Abraham  
Abulafia to Maimonides' Guide.

Since there is another applicant for the use  
of this manuscript, I shall appreciate if you  
could let me know quickly whether you intend  
to use it or not.

Incidentally, I find that a typographical error  
occurred in my last letter. The date of the  
colophon should have read 1392.

With very best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

  
Nahum M. Sarna

Rabbi Daniel Jeremy Silver  
The Temple  
East 105th Street & Silver Park  
Cleveland 6, Ohio



November 13, 1959

Mr. Nahum M. Sarna  
Office of the Librarian  
Jewish Theological Seminary of America  
Broadway and 122nd Street  
New York 27, N. Y.

Dear Mr. Sarna:

I would appreciate receiving a photostatic copy of Abraham  
Abulafia's commentary to Maimonides' Guide. I will of  
course defray all expenses.

With warmest personal regards, and thanking you for your  
courtesy, I remain

Most cordially yours,

DANIEL JEREMY SILVER

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November 17, 1959

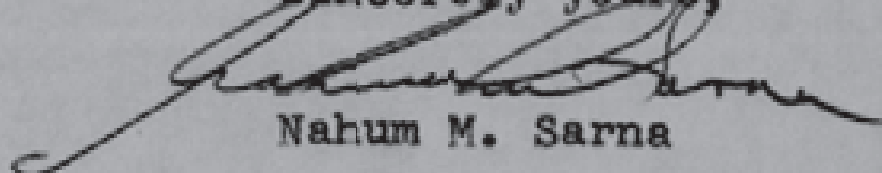
Dear Rabbi Silver:

In reply to your letter of November 13th, I should like to point out that photo-stats of the manuscripts you require would cost \$35.00, whereas a microfilm would cost you only \$10.00.

I should be pleased therefore, if you would let me know which form of reproduction you would desire.

With very best wishes,

Sincerely yours,



Nahum M. Sarna

Rabbi Daniel Jeremy Silver  
The Temple  
East 105th Street & Silver Park  
Cleveland 6, Ohio

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November 20, 1959

Mr. Nahum M. Sarna  
Office of the Librarian  
Jewish Theological Seminary  
Broadway and 122nd Street  
New York 27, N. Y.

Dear Mr. Sarna:

A microfilm of the manuscript in question will be quite satisfactory. I thank you for suggesting it.

Cordially yours,

DANIEL JEREMY SILVER

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THE LIBRARY  
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NORTHEAST CORNER, BROADWAY AND 122ND STREET  
NEW YORK 27, N. Y.

February 10, 1960

Dear Rabbi Silver:

I very much regret to have to inform you that I just discovered that Rabbi L. Krawitz of 177 Durie St., Closter, New Jersey, has apparently been working on Abulafia's commentary on the Guide for some years.

Quite unbeknown to me, a microfilm of the manuscript had been sent to him some years ago and he just came into my office today in order to examine the original. I have informed him that we have sent you a copy of the same manuscript and he promised to get in touch with you.

I do hope that this in no way interferes with your research plans and I must apologize to you for any inconvenience that has been caused to you as result of the fact that no record was to be found in Abulafia's manuscript to the effect that a copy had been sent to Rabbi Krawitz.

Sincerely yours,

  
Nahum M. Saran

Rabbi Daniel Jeremy Silver  
The Temple  
East 105th Street & Silver Park  
Cleveland 6, Ohio

June 21, 1960

Dr. Solomon Zeitlin  
 Dropsie College  
 Broad and York  
 Philadelphia 32, Penna.

Dear Dr. Zeitlin:

I am working over the Bodelian Library's manuscript of Moses Ha Kohen of Larnel's notes on the Mishnah Torah. In order to avoid duplication of time and effort, I am wondering if this work has been done and if there are any studies of Moses Ha Kohen or even of Karo's use of some of this material in his Kesef Mishnah. I hope that I am not troubling you with this question, but here in Cleveland I simply lack the necessary library resources.

Many thanks.

Cordially yours,

DANIEL JEREMY SILVER

DJS:lg



June 21, 1960

Librarian  
Yeshiva University  
186th Street & Amsterdam Avenue  
New York 33, N. Y.

Dear Sir:

I am completing some work and am interested in discovering whether there is any monographic material, dissertation, etc., dealing with Karo's Kesef Mishnah -- Notes on Maimonides' Mishnah Torah. Whatever help you can give me in this matter will be deeply appreciated.

With warmest personal regards, I remain

Most cordially yours,

DANIEL JEREMY SILVER

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# YESHIVA UNIVERSITY

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June 24, 1960

Mr. Daniel Jeremy Silver  
The Temple  
East 105th Street & Silver Park  
Cleveland 6, Ohio

Dear Rabbi Silver:

I have your letter of June 21. To my knowledge there has been no dissertation here at Yeshiva dealing with the Kesef Mishnah. Of course it is impossible to know about all the research presently going on in Jewish circles.

There is some monographic material on the subject in Tchernowitz's Toledoth Ha-Poskim Volume I page 302. The references in Volume II and III refer primarily to the Beth Joseph. I am sorry I cannot give you any more information.

With all good wishes I remain,

Sincerely yours,

*Jacob I. Dienstag*  
Jacob I. Dienstag  
Librarian

JID:MF



June 28, 1960

Mr. Jacob I. Dienstag  
Librarian  
Yeshiva University  
Amsterdam Avenue and 186th Street  
New York 33, N. Y.

Dear Mr. Dienstag:

I am deeply grateful for your letter of June 24th. May I trouble you with one other question. Has there been any dissertation or other monograph done on the Rabad's Hassogot to the Mishnah Torah? In case you are wondering as to the purpose of these requests, I am completing an analysis of the notes of Moses Ha Kohen of Lunel on the Mishnah Torah.

With warmest personal regards, I remain

Most cordially yours,

DANIEL JEREMY SILVER

DJS:lg

# YESHIVA UNIVERSITY

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June 30, 1960

Rabbi Daniel Jeremy Silver  
The Temple  
East 105th Street & Silver Park  
Cleveland 6, Ohio

Dear Rabbi Silver:

In reply to your letter of the 28th I have  
one reference which should be of help to you. Urbach  
has an article in Kirjath Sefer Volume 33 pp. 360-375  
on the Rabad's Hassogot to the Mishnah Torah.

Hoping that this information will be of value  
to you I remain

Sincerely yours,

*Jacob I. Dienstag*  
Jacob I. Dienstag  
Librarian

JID:MF

P.S. Dr. Isaac Twirsky wrote his doctoral dissertation  
at Harvard University on the subject of the Rabad. I  
imagine you could get his dissertation from your local  
library through an Inter-Library Loan.

# THE JEWISH QUARTERLY REVIEW

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EDITORS:

ABRAHAM A. NEUMAN  
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July 1, 1960

Rabbi Daniel Jeremy Silver  
The Temple  
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Rabbi Silver:

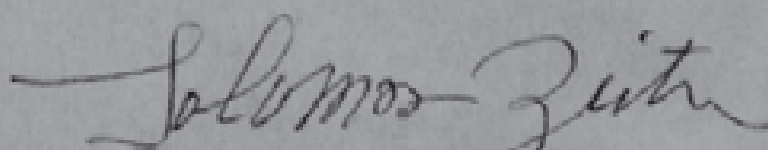
Will you pardon me for not answering your letter sooner as I have been extremely busy finishing articles before my departure for England and Russia. I have been invited to present a paper on the Dead Sea Scrolls before the Twenty-fifth International Congress of Orientalists which will be held in Moscow in August.

At present I do not recall of a work which has been done on Moses HaKohen of Lunel's notes on the Mishneh Torah.

I shall be in Oxford. If I can be of assistance to you in your work do not hesitate to communicate with me. You may write to me at the Park Lane Hotel, Piccadilly, London.

My warmest regards to your parents. Are they planning to go to Europe this summer?

Sincerely,



Solomon Zeitlin

September 16, 1960

Dr. O. M. Jolles  
Chairman, Dept. of History of Culture  
University of Chicago  
Chicago, Illinois

Dear Dr. Jolles:

I wonder if it would be possible for me to meet with you some time during the week of October 10th to discuss progress on my thesis. The work has taken an interesting but unexpected turn, and I should like to get your permission before continuing. I now feel that this is a propitious time to get myself back in the harness and to finish the work as quickly as possible.

With warmest personal regards, I remain

Most cordially yours,

DANIEL JEREMY SILVER

DJS:lg



THE UNIVERSITY OF CHICAGO  
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THE COMMITTEE ON HISTORY OF CULTURE

Sept. 24. 1960

Dear Rabbi Silver,

It was good to hear from you.  
I can certainly see you in the week  
of October 10th. I seem to have  
my classes in the early afternoon -  
so perhaps the late afternoon -  
Monday through Thursday would  
be the best time to meet you.  
I am looking forward to a report  
on your thesis and to personal  
news. I have just returned from  
six months of teaching in Frankfurt,  
Germany.

Best regards

M. Jukes.

September 27, 1960

Dr. O. M. Jolles  
Chairman, Dept. of History of Culture  
University of Chicago  
Chicago 37, Illinois

Dear Dr. Jolles:

I was appreciative of your letter of September 24th and plan accordingly to be in Chicago on Monday, October 10th to report to you. If you will be so kind as to indicate to me time and place I shall be most appreciative.

With warmest personal regards, I remain

Most cordially yours,

DANIEL JEREMY SILVER

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THE UNIVERSITY OF CHICAGO  
CHICAGO 37 • ILLINOIS  
THE COMMITTEE ON HISTORY OF CULTURE

October 4, 1960

Rabbi Daniel J. Silver  
The Temple  
East 105th Street & Silver Park  
Cleveland 6, Ohio

Dear Mr. Silver:

I shall be glad to see you either Monday,  
October 10th, after my History of Culture class, at  
5 o'clock, in my office, Wieboldt 405, or, should it  
be more convenient to you, at 3 o'clock on Tuesday,  
the 11th.

With best regards,

Cordially yours,

*Matthew J. Jolles*

O.J.M. Jolles  
Chairman

OJMJ:FF

October 7, 1960

Professor O. J. M. Jolles  
Chairman, Committee on History of Culture  
The University of Chicago  
Chicago 37, Illinois

Dear Professor Jolles:

I shall be in your office at 5:00 o'clock Monday,  
October 10th. Many thanks.

Cordially yours,

DANIEL JEREMY SILVER

DJS:lg

October 12, 1960

Dr. Solomon Zeitlin  
The Dropsie College  
Broad and York Streets  
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

Dear Dr. Zeitlin:

May I trouble you with a personal request?

Before I returned to The Temple four years ago, I completed all the academic requirements and the qualifying and language examinations leading to the degree of Doctor of Philosophy at the University of Chicago. I took my work in a field designated as History of Culture. My major interest was in medieval life and thought, my work largely with Professors Cate, McKeon, Wach, and Von Grunebaum. I submitted to the faculty and had approved a thesis dealing with aspects of the Maimonidean Controversy.

As you can imagine, becoming Rabbi of The Temple was no easy task, and my academic work has been moth-balled during the past few years. However, I have now begun energetically a program designed to complete the thesis.

I propose to study a manuscript by Moses ha Kohen of Lunel containing critical notes on the Mishnah Torah. I have worked through the first ten or twelve sheets of this manuscript and though it contains nothing either revolutionary or especially significant, it is an interesting document of the times and a document which has not been previously studied. The University of Chicago is eager that I complete the work. By this they mean not so much an editing of the manuscript as a placing of the manuscript in its culture and time, an analysis of its place in the legal, historical and philosophic development of Judaism.

There is no one on the University of Chicago campus capable of directing the thesis, but generously, they have suggested that they would be willing to accept a qualified scholar from another University to direct me in my work and to act as first reader of the



Dr. Solomon Zeitlin

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October 12, 1960

finished thesis. They are prepared to make whatever financial arrangements may be necessary to make this possible.

I know of no one with whom it would be more of a privilege to work than yourself. I would be prepared to visit Philadelphia at regular intervals to discuss the outline, progress, and such problems as may have arisen.

If by any chance you would find it impossible to guide this work, could you suggest to me a scholar who might? He would have to be approved by the University, but I would be deeply grateful for your advice and help.

May I say, however, that it is my humble hope that I may be able to work with you. I can promise only this, that the time lapse will not be a protracted one. I fully intend to complete this work in the next eighteen months or so, and I would faithfully carry out whatever reading and suggestions you might deem advisable.

My own academic record is as an honor graduate of Harvard College and of the Hebrew Union College, and you will find that my graduate record at the University of Chicago is good.

If you prefer to discuss this with me personally, I should be happy to visit Philadelphia at your convenience.

With warmest personal regards, I remain

Most cordially yours,

DANIEL JEREMY SILVER

DJS:lg

October 26, 1960

Dr. O. M. Jolles  
Chairman, Dept. of History of Culture  
The University of Chicago  
Chicago 37, Illinois

Dear Dr. Jolles:

Following our conversation several weeks ago, I contacted Dr. Solomon Zeitlin of The Dropsie College. He is Horace Stern Professor of Rabbinic Law and Lore and editor of "The Jewish Quarterly Review", the foremost rabbinic scholarly journal in America. His academic competence I am sure you can check very quickly. It is of the highest in Jewish sources. I propose to visit him in about two weeks to discuss my thesis. In brief, I should like to consider the critical notes of Moses ha Kohen of Lunel to the Mishnah Torah of Maimonides as a document reflecting the cultural conditions of its time. The document itself, running to some two hundred columns of hand written manuscript, has never to my knowledge been studied. The author is otherwise unknown, although several later commentators to Maimonides, notably Joseph Karo, refer time and again to this material. It was obviously of some significance. I am interested in studying the legal and cultural implications of these notes, placing and dating the manuscript and the author, extracting what I can of sociological interest from the material, and placing it in its proper place within the history of Maimonidean criticism. The actual chapter outlines I would want to work out with Professor Zeitlin and then refer back to you for final approval. I feel honored that Professor Zeitlin has agreed to undertake this work and I am eagerly anticipating it.

With warmest personal regards, I remain

Most cordially yours,

DANIEL JEREMY SILVER

DJS:lg

October 26, 1960

Dr. Solomon Zeitlin  
The Dropsie College  
Broad and York Streets  
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

Dear Dr. Zeitlin:

I am indebted to you for your willingness to work with me, and I am wondering if I might visit with you on the afternoon of Thursday, November 10th or Thursday, November 17th at your convenience.

With deep appreciation and warm personal regards, I remain

Most cordially yours,

DANIEL JEREMY SILVER

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THE DROPSIE COLLEGE  
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November 1, 1960

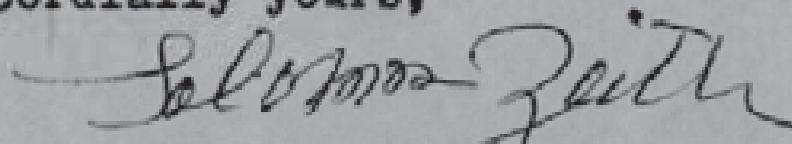
Rabbi Daniel Jeremy Silver  
The Temple  
Cleveland , Ohio

Dear Rabbi Silver:

Either Thursday the 10th or Thursday  
the 17th will be all right. Please let me  
know several days in advance. My address  
is Drake Hotel, 15th and Spruce Streets.

Looking forward to seeing you

Cordially yours,

  
Solomon Zeitlin

November 4, 1960

Dr. Solomon Zeitlin  
The Dropsie College  
Broad and York Streets  
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

Dear Dr. Zeitlin:

I will be in Philadelphia on Thursday, November 17th,  
and I will be at your hotel at 2:00 o'clock in the  
afternoon if this is satisfactory to you.

Many thanks.

Cordially yours,

DANIEL JEREMY SILVER

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November 8, 1960

Rabbi Daniel Jeremy Silver  
The Temple  
East 105<sup>th</sup> Street & Silver Park  
Cleveland 6, Ohio

Dear Rabbi Silver:

I am very glad to hear that Professor Zeitlin of The Dropsie College has agreed to advise you on your thesis. After our conversation some time ago I spoke to Dean Wilt, and following his request I made once more absolutely sure that there is nobody here on our campus at present who could do this kind of work. Professor Bowman of our Department of Oriental Languages confirmed this after consultation with various colleagues. You can therefore go ahead with your arrangements. The Dean and the members of the Committee are grateful to Professor Zeitlin for his willingness to cooperate with us in this matter. Naturally you will receive credit from us for any course or courses you will take with Professor Zeitlin or other members of The Dropsie College faculty.

I hope that the work with him will turn out as profitable for you as you anticipate. Please let me know of your progress.

Cordially yours,

*Matthew J. Jolles*  
O.J.M. Jolles  
Chairman

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CC--Dean Wilt

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November 10, 1960

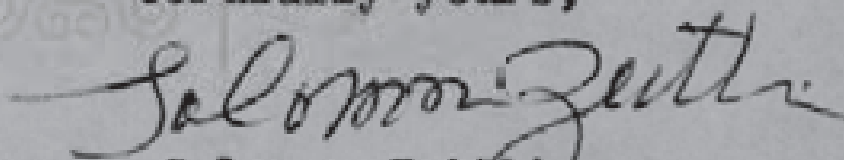
Rabbi Daniel J. Silver  
The Temple  
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Rabbi Silver:

Thursday, November 17th, between 3:30  
and 4 would suit me better. May I have the  
pleasure of your company at dinner,

Let me hear from you at my home address  
The Drake, 15th and Spruce Streets.

Cordially yours,

  
Solomon Zeitlin



November 11, 1960

Dr. O. J. M. Jolles  
Chairman, The Committee on History of Culture  
The University of Chicago  
Chicago 37, Illinois

Dear Dr. Jolles:

I am in receipt of your letter of November 8th and  
delighted with the news it contains. I am visiting with  
Dr. Zeitlin next Thursday and will outline with him my  
program of work.

Most cordially yours,

DAVID JEREMY SILVER

DJS:lg

November 18, 1960

Dr. Solomon Zeitlin  
Drake Hotel  
15th and Spruce Street  
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

Dear Dr. Zeitlin:

I would not let the day pass without thanking you for your gracious hospitality. It was truly a privilege to meet you and to be allowed to draw on your knowledge and scholarship.

I will turn to the thesis with new interest, born in part at least of the opportunity it will afford to spend more such pleasant and enlightening hours with you.

Cordially yours,

DANIEL JEREMY SILVER

DJS:lg

August 1, 1961

Dr. O. M. Jolles  
University of Chicago  
5801 South Ellis  
Chicago 37, Illinois

Dear Dr. Jolles:

Just a note to tell you that I haven't dropped out of sight. I will have completed, by the end of the summer, perhaps one-half of the dissertation, which I will submit to Dr. Zeitlin in the fall. I trust then to have regular consultations with him and the target date the end of next summer for completion. I should like to know if any deadline is breathing down my neck and whether there are any course requirements which I have still to meet. If there are, I should like to work them out in connection with the thesis. I met with Dr. Zeitlin several times last spring and we determined to revert largely to the original subject approved by the Committee. His scope is a broad one, and he is putting me through the paces, but I am finding him most enjoyable.

Hoping that you are having a pleasant summer, I remain

Most cordially yours,

DANIEL JEREMY SILVER

DJS:lg

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*Office of the Librarian*

May 14, 1962

Rabbi Daniel Jeremy Silver  
The Temple  
East 105th Street and Silver Park  
Cleveland 6, Ohio

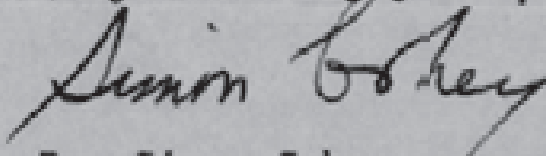
Dear Rabbi Silver:

We are in the process of checking our records and find that the following books which were checked out to you are now long overdue:

Abraham Maimonides Milchamot Adonai  
C-1 1859 חסונות הרמב"ם  
Vol.2 1957 חסונות הרמב"ם  
כתוב שם  
קנוצת מכתבים  
גנזי בסחרות

We would appreciate your cooperation in returning any of these books that you no longer need at once. If any of these books are still in use, please indicate when we may expect their return so that we may arrange for a proper renewal. I will greatly appreciate your prompt reply in this matter.

Very sincerely yours,



Dr. Simon Cohen  
Circulation Supervisor

SC:is



May 16, 1962

Dr. Simon Cohen  
Hebrew Union College Library  
Clifton Avenue  
Cincinnati 20, Ohio

Dear Dr. Cohen:

I have the books which you indicate in your letter of May 14th and will be completing my work by August of this year. I would appreciate your permitting me to retain these until that time. I will then at the first opportunity return them to you. Many thanks for your courtesy.

Cordially yours,

DANIEL JEREMY SILVER

DJS:lg

June 22, 1962

Dr. Robert E. Streeter  
Department of English  
University of Chicago  
Chicago 37, Illinois

Dear Dr. Streeter:

May I introduce myself? I am one of the wandering graduate students in the History of Culture Department who, after taking the comprehensive, found that vocational requirements meant removal from the city and delay in completing the thesis requirement.

I am writing to you because I have been given to understand that Dr. Jolles has moved elsewhere and I am precisely, now, at the point where I would like to pull the remaining strings together. I understand that you are taking over the Department, and I am writing to you in that capacity. I expect to have a first draft of my dissertation completed by the end of this Summer. My topic finally has been defined as "Maimonidean Criticism and the Maimonidean Controversy." Inasmuch as Dr. Jolles could not provide an advisor in this area from the University staff, he suggested that I consult with Dr. Solomon Zeitlin of the Dropsie College in Philadelphia. I have done so occasionally, but have continued the work largely on my own. Although Dr. Jolles informed me that I am not working under a time limit, I am most anxious to complete this work within this year's time. The problems of adjustment to this new pulpit are over, and despite its size and demands I know I can separate myself sufficiently to do whatever is required.

I will submit the draft to Dr. Zeitlin for his comments. I would appreciate if there is someone at the University with whom I might go over its organization and form to be sure that I am completing an acceptable piece of work. The subject matter has changed direction, though not substance, several times, and I would not like to find myself at the last, having

Dr. Robert E. Streater

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June 22, 1962

invested many hours, without having accomplished that which was desired.

If you would wish to meet with me personally to work out this program, I would make every attempt to come to Chicago at your convenience.

With many thanks for your consideration, I remain

Most cordially yours,

DANIEL JEREMY SILVER

DJS:lg



June 28, 1962

Librarian  
Vatican Library  
Vatican City  
Rome, Italy

Dear Sir:

I have found a reference to a manuscript by Abraham ben Isaac Vedarsi (13 c.) which is in your collection. My reference, the New Hebrew Encyclopedia, being published in Israel, cites as reference number 296:14. I do not know to what these numbers refer. I believe the material to be poetic and to contain reference to certain criticisms of Moses Maimonides' Guide To The Perplexed.

I would like to make arrangements through you for the photostating of this document. I will, of course, pay all costs involved.

With all good wishes and many thanks for your consideration, I remain

Sincerely yours,

DANIEL JEREMY SILVER

DJS:lg



THE UNIVERSITY OF CHICAGO  
CHICAGO 37 • ILLINOIS  
DEPARTMENT OF ENGLISH  
1050 EAST 59TH STREET

July 3, 1962

Rabbi Daniel Jeremy Silver  
The Temple  
University Circle at Silver Park  
Cleveland 6, Ohio

Dear Rabbi Silver:

I am very much pleased to learn of your plans for completing the dissertation.

Although Dean Wilt is acting chairman of the Committee on the History of Culture during the interim between Mr. Jolles' departure and the beginning of my tour of duty at the end of the summer, I shall be ready to discuss your thesis with you at whatever convenient time we can hit upon. I shall be out of the city for approximately a month beginning July 14.

Professor Raymond A. Bowman, of the Department of Oriental Languages, has kindly agreed to assist the Committee by serving as a member of your committee. I am sure that he can give ~~you~~ useful specific advice on some of the problems of scope and organization which confront you. When you come to Chicago, it would probably be desirable to choose a time when you can see both Professor Bowman and me.

I look forward to meeting you.

Sincerely yours,

*Robert E. Streeter*

Robert E. Streeter

cc: Professor Bowman

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I look forward to meeting you.

Sincerely yours,

Robert E. Streeter

cc: Professor Bowman

June 28, 1962

Dr. Herbert C. Zafren  
Hebrew Union College Library  
Clifton Avenue  
Cincinnati 20, Ohio

Dear Dr. Zafren:

I am wondering if there is anywhere available a listing of the translation dates of Maimonides' Arabic works into Hebrew. I should be most appreciative if you could cite me such a source and, if possible, have one of your assistants jot down the dates of translation for me.

With all good wishes and many thanks, I remain

Cordially yours,

DANIEL JEREMY SILVER

DJS:lg



August 2, 1962

Mr. Herbert Zafren  
Hebrew Union College Library  
Clifton Avenue  
Cincinnati 20, Ohio

Dear Mr. Zafren:

I wonder if you would mail to me the English section  
of the Jubilee Volume which the Jewish Theological  
Seminary published in honor of A. Marx.

I appreciate your attention to this matter.

With all good wishes,

Cordially yours,

DANIEL JEREMY SILVER

DJS:lg



August 9, 1962

Mr. Herbert Zafren, Librarian  
Hebrew Union College  
Clifton Avenue  
Cincinnati, Ohio

Dear Mr. Zafren:

I should like to borrow from the library the following  
two books:

Saige, G. - Les Juifs Du Langue Doc Anterieurement  
Au XIV Siecle - Paris A Picard 1881

Cesau, Emile - Les Juifs En Provence - Paris H. Champion  
1928

I will need them for but a brief time. Many thanks.

Sincerely,

DANIEL JEREMY SILVER

DJS:rlh

August 20, 1962

Mr. Herbert Zafren  
The Hebrew Union College Library  
Clifton Avenue  
Cincinnati 20, Ohio

Dear Mr. Zafren:

I am returning under separate cover Alexander Marx's Jubilee Volume, with thanks. I would appreciate if the Library would loan to me for a few days Graetz' "Leket Shoshanim."

With many thanks.

Cordially yours,

DANIEL JEREMY SILVER

DJS:lg

August 27, 1962

Dr. Robert E. Streeter  
The University of Chicago  
Department of English  
1050 East 59th Street  
Chicago 37, Illinois

Dear Dr. Streeter:

You may recall that we communicated at the beginning of the summer concerning the completion of my dissertation, and spoke vaguely then of the possibility of my coming to Chicago to meet with you and with Dr. Bowman, whom you assigned to my committee. I have this summer completed three of the four major sections of the paper and would like very much to meet. I need to be sure that I am on the right track, and do want to tie up any loose ends.

Would it be possible for you to meet with me on either Wednesday the 19th or Thursday the 20th of September? If either of these dates is feasible, I would appreciate your setting up an appointment for me with Dr. Bowman.

With all good wishes, I remain

Cordially yours,

DANIEL JEREMY SILVER

DJS:lg

August 31, 1962

Mr. Herbert Zafren  
Librarian  
Hebrew Union College  
Clifton Avenue  
Cincinnati 20, Ohio

Dear Mr. Zafren:

I am returning under separate cover, with thanks,  
your copy of Graetz' Leket Shoshanim.

I wonder if the Library would be kind enough to send  
me Abraham Geiger's Tzitzia U. Perahia Poetry of the  
Spanish and Italian School, Leipzig 1856.

Many thanks.

DANIEL JEREMY SILVER

DJS:lg



August 31, 1962

Librarian  
Bodleian Library  
Oxford, England

Dear Sir:

I have found, in Davidson, I., Thesaurus of Medieval Hebrew Poetry, reference to a manuscript of the poetry of Meshullam b. Solomon, referenced as Shirim Meforim Ms. Bodleian 1970 according to the listing of Neubauer, A., Part I, 654:4. There are various page referenced beginning about 202 and running through 233. I would appreciate it if the relevant manuscript pages could be photostatted. I will, of course, defray all expense.

Does this reference include any transcription by Neubauer and/or annotation by him?

Many thanks in advance for your cooperation.

Cordially yours,

DANIEL JEREMY SILVER

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THE UNIVERSITY OF CHICAGO  
CHICAGO 37 • ILLINOIS  
THE DIVISION OF THE HUMANITIES  
1050 EAST 59TH STREET

*Office of the Dean*

September 4, 1962

Daniel Jeremy Silver  
The Temple  
University Circle at Silver Park  
Cleveland 6, Ohio

Dear Rabbi Silver:

I have checked with Professor Bowman: both he and I will be in the city on the 19th and 20th.

How would 2 p.m. Wednesday, September 19, be for my conference with you? Then I can set an appointment with Professor Bowman for 3 p.m. If this doesn't work out for you, I am sure that we can create another tandem appointment at some other time during these two days.

My office is in Classics 13.

Sincerely yours,



Robert E. Streeter  
Acting Dean  
Division of The Humanities

RES:ask

September 5, 1962

Dr. Robert E. Streeter  
Division of the Humanities  
The University of Chicago  
1050 East 59th Street  
Chicago 37, Illinois

Dear Dr. Streeter:

I am deeply grateful for your letter of September 4th. Unfortunately, Temple responsibility has interposed for the 19th and it will now be possible for me to be in Chicago only on the 20th of September. I can be there early or late and am entirely at your disposal. If consecutive hours are impossible for you and Dr. Bowman I will be perfectly happy to wait about. There is quite a bit of work I can do in the Library.

Hoping that I will not inconvenience you too much on the 20th, I remain

Most sincerely yours,

DANIEL JEREMY SILVER

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THE UNIVERSITY OF CHICAGO  
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1050 EAST 59TH STREET

September 6, 1962

Daniel Jeremy Silver  
The Temple  
University Circle at Silver Park  
Cleveland 6, Ohio

Dear Rabbi Silver:

I will be very happy to see you at  
ten o'clock on the morning of the 20th.

Since you will be free to spend some  
time on campus, the appointment with  
Dr. Bowman will be arranged when he  
returns this Friday from vacation.  
I will be able to tell you the exact  
time when I see you.

Sincerely yours,



Robert E. Streeter

RES:ask



October 5, 1962

Mr. Herbert Zafran  
Hebrew Union College Library  
Clifton Avenue  
Cincinnati 20, Ohio

Dear Mr. Zafran:

I am mailing under separate cover this date Das Jüdische Unterrichtswesen by Dr. M. Guedemann, with thanks. I would appreciate it if the Library would mail to me Studies of the Research Institute for Hebrew Poetry (Hebrew), Vol. IV (Jerusalem, 1933).

With all good wishes, I remain

Cordially yours,

DANIEL JEREMY SILVER

DJS:lg

November 23, 1962

Dr. Solomon Zeitlin  
Drake Hotel  
15th & Spruce Streets  
Philadelphia 2, Pennsylvania

Dear Dr. Zeitlin:

As I mentioned to you in our brief phone conversation a week past, I have a first draft manuscript of my thesis which I should like to go over with you. I wonder if it will be possible to spend either Monday, December 3 or Tuesday, December 4 with you. The time, of course, at your convenience, although I hope to go over this material in sufficient detail.

With all good wishes and many thanks, I remain

As always,

DANIEL JEREMY SILVER

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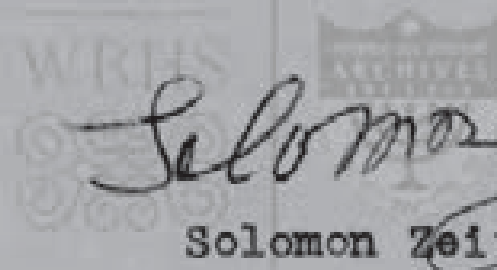
November 26, 1962

Rabbi Daniel J. Silver  
The Temple  
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Rabbi Silver:

I have just received your letter.  
Tuesday, December 4th will be all right. I  
shall expect you for lunch about one o'clock.

Cordially yours,

  
*Solomon Zeitlin*  
Solomon Zeitlin

November 28, 1962

Dr. Solomon Zeitlin  
Drake Hotel  
15th & Spruce Streets  
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

Dear Dr. Zeitlin:

I have confirmed plans to be with you at one o'clock  
Tuesday, December 4th and deeply appreciate the  
opportunity.

With all good wishes,

Cordially yours,

DANIEL JERRY SILVER

DS:lg



Dr. Solomon Zeitlin  
Drake Hotel  
15th at Spruce Street  
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

Dec. 6, 1962

Dear Dr. Zeitlin:

I am again most grateful to you for your time and hospitality. It was a pleasant and instructive day.

I am enclosing Chapter 3. I am also enclosing two individual sheets, one marked 12a, to be inserted between pages 12 and 13 of Chapter 2; the second marked 24 to be substituted for the current page 24, Chapter 2. These involved corrections and additions which were being typed here even as we talked. I hope to have subsequent chapters to you in short order.

Again, many thanks.

Cordially yours,

DANIEL JEREMI SILVER

DJS:lg

December 17, 1962

Dr. Solomon Zeitlin  
Drake Hotel  
15th & Spruce Streets  
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

Dear Dr. Zeitlin:

I am enclosing herewith Chapters 4 and 5 of my thesis. They are in approximately the same form as the three chapters which you already have in hand.

Again may I say how much I appreciate your attention to this material and express to you my best wishes for a most healthy and happy New Year.

Cordially yours,

DANIEL JEREMY SILVER

DJS:lg

*Air Mail Special*

December 17, 1962

Dr. Raymond A. Bowman  
Department of Oriental Languages  
University of Chicago  
Chicago 37, Illinois

Dear Dr. Bowman:

I am enclosing herewith Chapters 1 through 5 of my thesis, tentatively entitled Maimonidean Controversy and Maimonidean Criticism -- 1180-1240. I hope to have the concluding chapters to you by the first of the year.

This material is complete except that I have not included in the notes the many extended Hebrew source quotations. These will, of course, be included in the final draft. A careful systematic revision of the notes must also be made, to see that the ibids and op cits are in correct order, etc.

I recognize, too, a need for an occasional paragraph explanatory of my method, and the chapters as they now stand are a bit stark, but I do hope that the material will meet with your approval. Dr. Zeitlin is in possession of this material and I have already had one most pleasant session with him about it.

One practical question. I understand that in addition to the thesis manuscript I must submit an abstract. I wonder if you could enlighten me as to its suggested length and academic purpose.

With many thanks for your kind attention to this manuscript, and with my very best wishes for a healthy and happy New Year, I remain as always

Most cordially yours,

DANIEL JEREMY SILVER

DJS:lg

December 31, 1962

Dr. Raymond A. Bowman  
Department of Oriental Languages  
University of Chicago  
Chicago 37, Illinois

Dear Dr. Bowman:

I am enclosing Chapters 6 and 7 of my thesis and an Introduction. I have become increasingly aware of the need to tie the various chapters together and I hope that these few pages set the theme. I propose adding a line or two elsewhere also, to tighten the material.

With all good wishes for the New Year and many thanks for your continuing assistance,

Cordially yours,

DANIEL JEREMY SILVER

DJS:lg



December 31, 1962

Dr. Solomon Zeitlin  
Drake Hotel  
15th at Spruce Street  
Philadelphia 2, Pennsylvania

Dear Dr. Zeitlin:

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With all good wishes for the New Year, and many thanks for your continuing assistance,

Cordially yours,

DANIEL JEREMY SILVER

DJS:lg

January 14, 1963

Dr. Solomon Zeitlin  
Drake Hotel  
15th at Spruce Street  
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

Dear Dr. Zeitlin:

Enclosed please find copies of Chapters 8 and 9 of the thesis. These complete the substantive material, but a concluding section is required and I am now working on it.

Looking forward to the weekend, with all good wishes,  
I remain

Cordially yours,

DANIEL JEREMY SILVER

DJS:lg

January 21, 1963

Dr. Raymond A. Bowman  
Department of Oriental Languages  
University of Chicago  
Chicago 37, Illinois

Dear Dr. Bowman:

I am including the final two chapters of my thesis. The last chapter needs a summation which ought to bring together the basic themes of the paper. I want to get a bit of perspective on the writing and the benefit of your thought before I set it down.

I had occasion this date to go over the work page by page with Dr. Zeitlin. He was most helpful and most kind in his comments. Actually, except for the shading of a word here and there, he felt that the thesis could stand in its present form. His only specific suggestion was that I broaden slightly the material on the Mishnah Torah in Chapter 2. This will be neither a difficult nor an extensive undertaking. If you would care to correspond with him about the paper, his address is: The Dropsie College, Broad & York Streets, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

As I have indicated right along, the paper needs to be given continuity. This I do not feel will be a difficult undertaking, and I should like to get about the business of writing the final document for the University for presentation this Spring. I am most anxious, therefore, to receive your comments. If they can be noted in a letter I will be deeply appreciative. If you wish me to come to Chicago in the next few weeks I will be happy to present myself.

In advance, my thanks for your consideration. With all good wishes, I remain

Most cordially yours,

DANIEL JEREMY SILVER

DJS:lg

January 22, 1963

Dr. Robert E. Streeter  
Division of the Humanities  
The University of Chicago  
1050 East 59th Street  
Chicago 37, Illinois

Dear Dr. Streeter:

I have gone over my entire thesis page by page with Dr. Zeitlin and have forwarded it to Dr. Bowman. Dr. Zeitlin was most kind in his comments, and as soon as I receive Dr. Bowman's advice I will begin the actual presentation document. I am in possession of the manual for writers of term papers, theses and dissertations put out by the University of Chicago Press and presume that this sets out the ground rules to be followed.

I am wondering if you would be kind enough to inform me how many copies are to be presented and if there are any restrictions as to the type of paper to be used. Also I am eager to know the requirements for the abstract which is required and the number of copies which are desired of it. If all goes well I hope to have the thesis to you by the end of March. Thank you in advance for your attention to this matter, and with all good wishes, I remain

Most cordially yours,

DANIEL JEREMY [REDACTED]

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January 22, 1963

Mr. Lester Zussman  
The Jewish Publication Society  
222 North 15th Street  
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

Dear Mr. Zussman:

I understand that the Jewish Publication Society has a small pamphlet listing the accepted abbreviations of the standard Hebrew texts and books. I wonder if this could be forwarded to me. I will, of course, remit its cost.

Many thanks.

Cordially yours,

DANIEL JEREMY SILVER

DJS:lg

January 22, 1963

Mr. Morton Pomerantz  
Hebrew Union College  
Clifton Avenue  
Cincinnati 20, Ohio

Dear Mort:

I wonder if you would do one short bibliographic task for me. Yitzhak Baer wrote an article in Volume 2 of Diqir, Berlin 1924. I would like to find out its exact title and pagination. I wonder if you could look this up for me in the library.

With all good wishes and many thanks, I remain as always,

Cordially yours,

DANIEL JEREMY SILVER

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THE UNIVERSITY OF CHICAGO  
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1050 EAST 59TH STREET

*Office of the Dean*

January 28, 1963

Rabbi Daniel Jeremy Silver  
The Temple  
University Circle at Silver Park  
Cleveland 6, Ohio

Dear Rabbi Silver:

I am delighted to learn of your progress on the dissertation. For detailed information on such matters as the type of paper to be used, I suggest that you inquire directly of Mr. Geoffrey Plampin, Dissertation Secretary of the University, who distributes, I believe, a set of instructions for typists. We shall need two copies of the dissertation here: one for the University and one for the library of the Committee.

For your information I enclose a copy of the Manual of Academic Regulations, which has a section (pp. 22-25) on the dissertation. I also enclose a dissertation-approval card which you should ask Dr. Zeitlin and Dr. Bowman to sign after they have accepted the thesis. This can be done on the basis of an approved final draft, prior to the preparation of the actual presentation document.

Please write me if you have other questions, or if I have not been clear on any of these points.

Sincerely yours,

*Robert E. Streeter*

Robert E. Streeter  
Acting Dean  
Division of the Humanities

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January 30, 1963

Mr. Geoffrey Flampin  
Dissertation Secretary  
The University of Chicago  
Chicago 37, Illinois

Dear Mr. Flampin:

Dr. Robert E. Streeter has suggested that we write to you for instructions for typists of dissertations. I am typing the doctoral dissertation for Rabbi Daniel Silver, which he will submit to the Committee on the History of Culture. I have already begun this work and am using Crane Crest 20 lb. bond for the original and first carbon. When you send the instructions, would you be good enough to advise whether this paper is suitable?

Thank you for your courtesy in this matter.

Cordially yours,

Mrs. M. L. Goldstein  
Secretary to Rabbi Silver



THE UNIVERSITY OF CHICAGO  
CHICAGO 37 • ILLINOIS  
OFFICE OF THE DEAN OF STUDENTS

January 31, 1963

Mrs. M. L. Goldstein  
The Temple  
University Circle at Silver Park  
Cleveland 6, Ohio

Dear Mrs. Goldstein:

The paper that you propose using for Rabbi Silver's dissertation is satisfactory. However, I am concerned about the correctness of the footnotes, etc. Usually the student submits the dissertation to this office for advice before the final typing is begun. This reduces (or eliminates) the number of corrections that might otherwise be necessary. If he has closely followed the style set forth in the Turabian Manual in preparation of the manuscript, and if you follow the Manual in properly setting up the pages, then there should be little difficulty with the dissertation.

The final typed copy that is ready for microfilming and binding is due in this office no later than three weeks before Convocation, which would be May 17 for June graduation.

Sincerely yours,

*Geoffrey C. M. Plampin*

Geoffrey C. M. Plampin  
Dissertation Secretary

GCMP:gv

Dr. Zeitlin

February 1, 1963

February 1, 1963

Dr. Solomon Zeitlin  
The Dropsie College  
York and Broad Streets  
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

Sincerely yours,

Dear Dr. Zeitlin:

Again I cannot tell you how deeply grateful I was for the valuable time which you gave me and for the many suggestions which I am now busy incorporating in my text. I am making the necessary adjustments and corrections and I know that the book will be much improved.

Enclosures

I received from Dr. Robert Streeter, the Dean of my Division at the University of Chicago, the enclosed card which needs to be signed when the members of my committee are satisfied with the basic draft of the thesis. The relevant paragraph in his letter reads as follows:

"I also enclose a dissertation-approval card which you should ask Dr. Zeitlin and Dr. Bowman to sign after they have accepted the thesis. This can be done on the basis of an approved final draft, prior to the preparation of the actual presentation document."

I trust that what you have read so far meets this requirement; if not, please advise what you wish me to do to meet it. As I indicated to you, I am attempting to move ahead toward receiving a degree this spring.

Dr. Zeitlin

February 1, 1963

I am enclosing a return mail envelope for the card, and any further suggestions which you wish to jot down will be for my benefit. Again, my deep gratitude.

Mrs. Bertram Krohngold was thrilled with the volume which you sent her. I know you have made a friend there for life.

Sincerely yours,

Daniel Jeremy Silver

DJS:bfm

Enclosures





February 4, 1963

Mr. Geoffrey C. M. Plampin  
Office of the Dean of Students  
The University of Chicago  
Chicago 37, Illinois

Dear Mr. Plampin:

Thank you for your letter of January 31st. Rabbi Silver and I are indeed using the Turabian Manual and attempting to follow it in all details. I am enclosing a few sample pages which will indicate to you the style we are using. If you have any suggestions, or find any serious errors, I would appreciate your advice. The enclosed pages are extra copies; you may destroy them when you have finished with them.

Thank you for your courtesy.

Sincerely yours,

Mrs. M. L. Goldstein  
Secretary to Rabbi Daniel Silver



February 22, 1963

Dr. Herbert Zafren  
Librarian  
Hebrew Union College  
Cincinnati 20, Ohio

Dear Dr. Zafren:

I am returning under separate cover, with thanks,  
Jonah Gerundi's Sharrei Teshubah.

I wonder if you would be so kind as to lend me for  
a brief time Nachmanides' Torah ha-Shem Temimah.  
The edition is immaterial.

With many thanks,

Sordially yours,

DANIEL JEREMY SILVER

DJS:lg

March 19, 1963

Dr. Robert E. Streeter  
The Division of the Humanities  
University of Chicago  
1050 East 59th Street  
Chicago 37, Illinois

Dear Dr. Streeter:

I am wondering if a date and time has been set for my oral examination. The thesis is in its final typing and I can have an abstract to you in ten days or so.

With all good wishes and many thanks,

Cordially yours,

DANIEL JEREMY SILVER

DJS:lg

March 25, 1963

Mrs. Barbara Posner, Secretary  
Office of the Dean of Students, Humanities  
Adm. 305  
University of Chicago  
Chicago 37, Illinois

Dear Mrs. Posner:

I am enclosing my check for you to complete my registration for this quarter. In light of our conversation towards the end of February, it is my understanding that I must be registered during the term in which I propose to graduate. I have already completed the card with the Registrar, indicating that desire.

Thanking you for your attention to this matter,  
I remain

Most cordially yours,

DANIEL JEREMY SILVER

DJS:lg

April 3, 1963

Dr. Robert E. Streeter  
Division of the Humanities  
The University of Chicago  
1050 East 59th Street  
Chicago 37, Illinois

Dear Dr. Streeter:

Enclosed please find fifteen copies of the Abstract of my thesis. It is my understanding that the oral examination is to take place Monday, April 22nd, at 1:30 P.M.

Again my thanks for your consideration.

Sincerely yours,

DANIEL JEREMY SILVER

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THE UNIVERSITY OF CHICAGO  
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THE DIVISION OF THE HUMANITIES  
1050 EAST 59TH STREET

*Office of the Dean*

April 3, 1963

Rabbi Daniel Jeremy Silver  
The Temple  
University Circle at Silver Park  
Cleveland 6, Ohio

Dear Rabbi Silver:

The National Research Council keeps a record of all recipients of the Ph.D. degree, and the enclosed questionnaire is their method of initiating the record.

Will you please complete the questionnaire and turn it in to your department chairman at your oral examination (or, in the absence of the chairman, to whoever conducts the examination), to be transmitted by him to this office. This is part of the requirement for the degree.

Yours sincerely,

*Robert E. Streeter*

Robert E. Streeter  
~~Acting~~ Dean

RES:ask

April 4, 1963

Dr. Robert E. Streeter  
Division of the Humanities  
The University of Chicago  
Chicago 37, Illinois

Dear Dr. Streeter:

I am returning herewith the Survey of Earned  
Doctorates form sheet which you sent to me.  
This way I am certain that it is returned.

Sincerely yours,

DANIEL JEREMY SILVER

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THE UNIVERSITY OF CHICAGO  
CHICAGO 37 - ILLINOIS  
OFFICE OF THE DEAN OF STUDENTS

February 6, 1963

Rabbi Daniel Silver  
The Temple  
University Circle at Silver Park  
Cleveland 6, Ohio

Dear Rabbi Silver:

Your secretary wrote last week asking about typing your dissertation. I asked her to send some sample pages for my comments, which she has done. After looking at them, I find that you should do a considerable amount of editing before she types the final copy.

- 1) Dashes are made by two hyphens without spacing before, after, or between.
- 2) Names are not inverted in footnotes.
- 3) Volume numbers are always in Roman numerals, regardless of their style in the original.
- 4) Omit the words "vol." and "p." when both numbers are given.
- 5) Facts of publication are within parentheses in footnotes.
- 6) Is "Thorn" in note 1, p. 17, the place of publication or the publisher. Sometimes the student may elect to omit the publisher in the footnotes (only), but he may never omit the place.
- 7) A second reference to a journal article--when using Method B, which allows for op. cit. and loc. cit.--the author's surname (unless more than one with the same name), loc. cit. (meaning "in the place cited") and the volume and/or page number are sufficient.
- 8) The Manual explicitly states the style for classical references.

These comments and those I have made on the sample pages begin to show the directions in which you have erred. Further, I specifically described the kind of paper that is acceptable for the original and first carbon. The erasable type used for these sample pages may be used only for any carbons that you are having made for your own possession.

I am inclosing a sample title page for style.

Sincerely yours,

*Geoffrey C. M. Plampin*  
Geoffrey C. M. Plampin  
Dissertation Secretary

GCMP:gv



April 30, 1963

Dear Mr. Silver:

I am returning a number of pages to you for correction. There are several errors that were continuously made by you or your typists which have to be rectified:

- 1) Word divisions at the end of a line must conform with Webster's Dictionary.
- 2) When cf. begins a sentence it must be capitalized: Cf.
- 3) When the name of the editor or the translator follows the title of a book it is written: Abraham Maimonides, Teshubot Rabbenu Abraham b. ha-Rambam, ed. A. H. Frieman and S. D. Gotein NOT A. H. Frieman and S. D. Gotein (eds.). This latter form is used when the editors precede the title. Trans. or ed. is understood as translated by or edited by. See page 117, note 2 for correct form.
- 4) Avoid carrying over only one word or less than a half line to a new page. These short lines are called "widows." It is better to add the line at the bottom of the page and go over the inch margin or to take off an extra line and have more than an inch margin.
- 5) Ellipsis dots must be regularized.

When you return your corrections (no later than May 17), send a check, payable to the University of Chicago, for \$13.95 to cover microfilm charges and also give us a short title for the spine of the bound dissertation that does not exceed 46 spaces.

Sincerely yours,

Geoffrey C. M. Plampin



April 12, 1963

Dr. Robert E. Streeter  
The University of Chicago  
Division of the Humanities  
1050 East 99th Street  
Chicago 37, Illinois

312 MI 3-0800

Ext 2861

Dear Dr. Streeter:

I am mailing under separate cover two completed copies of my dissertation. I understand that these must receive a certificate of approval before they can be deposited with the Dissertation Secretary. I should very much like to complete such formalities (including the payment of microfilming costs, etc.) concurrently with my oral examination on Monday, April 22nd. You will, I am sure, appreciate the problems of travel and geography involved.

Sincerely yours,

DANIEL JEREMY SILVER

DJS:lg

May 6, 1963

Mr. Geoffrey C. M. Flaspin  
Office of the Dean of Students  
The University of Chicago  
Chicago 37, Illinois

Dear Mr. Flaspin:

I am enclosing herewith the retyped pages which have been corrected according to your specifications.

As short title for the spine of the bound dissertation, I would suggest, "The Maimonidean Controversy, 1180--1240."

I am enclosing my check for \$13.95 to cover the microfilm charge.

With all good wishes, I remain

Cordially yours,

DANIEL JEREMY SILVER

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May 8, 1963

Rabbi Daniel J. Silver  
The Temple  
University Circle at Silver Park  
Cleveland 6, Ohio

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Dear Rabbi Silver:

You overlooked a correction on page 154, note 5.

So far I have not received your microfilm charge of \$13.95 which is to be made payable to the University of Chicago. Would you also give us a short title for the spine of the bound copy of your dissertation that does not exceed 46 spaces.

Sincerely yours,

*Geoffrey C. M. Plampin*  
Geoffrey C. M. Plampin

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*mailed 5/10/63  
Duplicate check  
Page 154  
Title*

May 17, 1963

Dr. Robert E. Streeter  
The University of Chicago  
1050 East 59th Street  
Chicago 37, Illinois

Dear Dr. Streeter:

I have not as yet heard from any office of the University concerning the date of this year's Convocation, time, dress, etc. I presume that there is some office from which I could easily find this information if I were in Chicago, but I wonder if you would not do me the kindness of filling me in, or at least telling me with whom I ought to be in communication.

With many thanks for your consideration, I remain as  
always,

Most cordially yours,

DANIEL JEREMY SILVER

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October 29, 1963

Dr. Daniel J. Silver  
The Temple  
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Dr. Silver:

At last I am happy to return to you the manuscript Maimonidean Criticism and the Maimonidean Controversy 1180-1240. I was unable to return it sooner because I had some trouble with my eyes. The manuscript reads well, it is a continuous presentation of events. Your ability to synthesize is praiseworthy. It will make an excellent book which will enrich Jewish literature. Without doubt you display great originality. The manuscript reveals careful study of the sources as well as the literature. When published it will be a contribution to the history of that period and useful to both scholars and laymen. I congratulate you on your achievement. Your pleas for Solomon and Jonah are convincing.

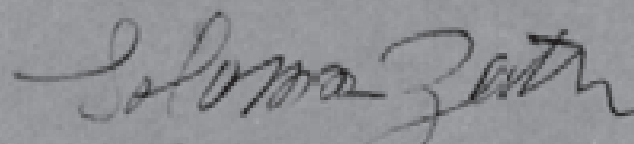
Unfortunately I was unable to read all the notes due to the difficulty with my eyes and the poor typing. I did not verify all the translations but shall do so when I get the proofs.

I phoned your dad the other day in connection with the seventy-fifth anniversary celebration of the JQR but was informed that he is out of the country. Then I tried to talk to you but you were out of the building.

Will you please let me know when your dad returns as I am anxious to see him. If I should go to Cleveland I shall first get in touch with him. When I go we shall have the opportunity to discuss your manuscript at length.

With all my best wishes to you and for the success of your forthcoming book

Cordially yours,

  
Solomon Zeitlin

HISTORIANS HAVE VARIOUSLY EXPLAINED THE CONTROVERSY

1) GRAETZ

2) NEUMANN

3) SARACHEK

4) ZINBERG

5) ZEITLIN

6) DAER

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