

Genealogy Tip of the Month: Periodically review your research and notes

Review notes to:

1. Address areas you overlooked previously and gain better perspective.
2. Apply information you have learned since your initial research that makes previously skipped sources or facts relevant – research is a cumulative process.
3. Search new sources – find sources you never knew existed, discover new indexes, obtain better quality documents to replace poor microfilm copies.
4. Fill in research gaps – update your documentation, go back and cite missing sources, reexamine previous assumptions and conclusions.

Sample of some resources I have used (not comprehensive):

- Ancestry.com – new records continually added
- FamilySearch.org – digitized records and indexing (including 1905 NY Census)
- JewishGen.org - databases
- Digitized records
 - Montreal city directories 1842-1977 – website is in French, collection in English or bilingual, depending on year
<http://bibnum2.bnquebec.ca/bna/lovell/>
 - Google News Archive Search
<http://news.google.com/archivesearch>
 - Both paid ProQuest historical newspapers (NYT, LAT, *Chicago Tribune*) and free digitized images
 - List of newspapers currently in Google News Archive
<http://www.google.com/support/news/bin/answer.py?answer=148418#live>
 - List of newspapers acquired and in process for Google News Archive
<http://www.google.com/support/news/bin/answer.py?answer=148418#processing>
 - Library and Archives Canada
 - Genealogical collections include passenger lists, border entry forms, searchable naturalization registers, census images (not indexed)
<http://www.collectionscanada.gc.ca/genealogy/022-908.011-e.html>

Staying up to date on new sources:

- Blogs
 - Eastman's Online Genealogy Newsletter
<http://blog.eogn.com/>
 - Upfront with NGS – National Genealogical Society
<http://upfront.ngsgenealogy.org/>
- Cyndi's List
- JewishGen Discussion Group mailing list
- Jan Meisels Allen updates