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- Leeds Jewish Tailors’ Strike, 7th May to 23rd May 1888 (newscuttings: 1888) LQ 331.892 L517
- Report from the Select Committee on Emigration and Immigration (1889) Q 304.8 GRE. Includes eyewitness accounts on Leeds from Alderman Scarr, William Clayton and the Reverend Moses Abraham
- Anglo-Jewry: A Monthly Magazine Specially Devoted to Jewish Interests (includes Leeds Jewry: Volume 1, No.2, April 15, 1910) LQP 296 AN46
- The Soul of the Leeds Ghetto: Yorkshire Evening News cuttings (1925) LQ 296 B912
- Leeds Women’s Zionist Council Bazaar (brochure: 1948) LQ 296 L517
- Leeds Jewry (1953) – F.L. De Baughn; article with letter in response by Louis Saipe LP 296 D35
- Leeds Jewish Representative Council (year book: 1971-2012) L 305.8 LEE
- Jewish Telegraph (June 3, 1976 – present). Newspaper (ask staff for access)
History

- A History of the Jews of Leeds (1985) - Louis Saipe L 305.8 SAI
- Leeds Jewry: The First Hundred Years (1992) – Murray Freedman LP 305.8 FRE
- From the Leylands to LS17: Jewish Leeds in Words and Images (2014) – Diane Saunders LQ 305.8 SAU
- A Sketch of Leeds Jewry in the 19th-century (1975) – A.S. Diamond LQP 305.8 DIA
- Identity, Migration and Belonging: The Jewish Community of Leeds, 1890-1920 (2015) – Aaron Kent L 305.8 KEN
- 'Great Traders’ in Leeds: Born and Bred – James Thompson L 920 T37L. Chapter includes information on Michael Marks
- The 1912 Anarchist Conference as Reported by the Local Jewish Group (1983) – Joseph Buckman LP 321.9 B56

Sociology and Demography

- Will You Still Need Me, Will You Still Feed Me, When I’m 84? (1984) – Doris France L 296 F847
- 1891 Census – Leeds: Lists of Jewish Residents (1994) – Murray Freedman LP 929.3 FRE
- Essays on Leeds and Anglo-Jewish History and Demography (2003) – Murray Freedman LP 305.8 FRE
- See also: Further Essays LP 305.8 FRE
- Chapeltown and its Jews (2003) – Murray Freedman L CHA 305.8

Religion, Education and Social Welfare

- Leeds Jewish Board of Guardians (annual reports: 1893, 1919 & 1922) LP 362.15 L517
- Leeds Talmud Torah: 65th Balance Sheet (1944) LP 296.68 L517
- United Hebrew Congregational Bulletin (1946-1951) LP 296 L517
- The Early History of Sinai Synagogue (1985) – Ernest C. Sterne L 296 STE
- The ‘Jewish’ Schools of Leeds (2001) – Murray Freedman LP 371 FRE
- Photographs of Chassidishe Synagogue (undated) L 296.65 P566

Culture, Literature and Sport

- By Their Deeds: A Novel in Four Acts (1946) – Alan Peters (Dr Isaac Hipshon) L 823 PET. Novel by acclaimed, but now sadly-forgotten, Leeds-based author
- The Kramer Documents (1983) - Jacob Kramer L 927.5 K86. Autobiographical fragments of the Leeds-based artist
- Footprints in the Sand (1986) – Louis Teeman L B TEE. Autobiography telling the story of one families’ journey from the pogroms and ghettos of Europe to the Leyland area of Leeds
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