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## BOOK NOTES/CRITIQUES BRÈVES

Abella, Irving. *A Coat of Many Colours: Two Centuries of Jewish Life in Canada*. Toronto: Key Porter Books, 1999. viii+ 249 pp.

This is a reissue of Abella's well-known survey of Canadian Jewish history first published in 1990. It contains a new preface giving the author's thoughts on Canadian Jewry's present and future but seems otherwise unchanged.

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de Silva, Aldina, André Myre, Tereza Pinto, eds. *Les Juifs portugais: exil, héritage, perspectives, 1496–1996* (Montreal, Médiaspaul, 1998), 184 pp.

This volume contains articles based on papers presented at a conference commemorating the five-hundredth anniversary of the expulsion of the Jews from Portugal. It was jointly sponsored by the Faculté de théologie of the Université de Montréal and the Centre communautaire juif of Montreal. Beyond the mainly historical articles, written in French with the exception of one in Portuguese, the last two contributions reflect on the relationship between Jews and Christians and its future.

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