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Thank you very much for your note and the reference. I have ordered the catalogue now; but I have no great hope that it will arrive any time soon.

I liked talking to you; I hope we will have a bit more time at the next rencontre so that in New York or Boston.

I am currently reading with some bewilderment Joseph Buloff's From the Old Market place. It reminds me, with due distinction!, of some of Isaac Babel's stories and simultaneously of R. Vishniac's photos. There's an element of terror in Eastern European Jewish adolescence — and not all of it results from the presence of the Cossacks. One might conceive of a monograph probing the "terror of Jewish adolescence in Eastern Europe". Do you know Morris Raphael Cohen's auto biography at all, A Dreamer's Journey? It is frightening.

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coming to think of it the imaginary mono-
graph might actually turn into a very exciting
panel at the next AJS. One might do different
things: examining Jewish adolescence in different
parts of the world: Eastern Europe in the late 19th-century,
in Canada in the thirties; in New York in the
twenties; in Germany under Nazi-terror
(you know Deborah Dwork's Children with a Star?)

You could do something Yiddish, I could do
something about Vienna or New York; Sacvan
might do Canada; and I'm sure that
it's easy to find a chair and a fourth
speaker.

But that's just an idea; and you may not
like it at all. (or you may have better
things to do!)

Best,

MLC