

**Discoveries in the Fragments Collection in the 2019 Moldovan Gift  
to the UPenn Libraries**  
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**Description:** The Geography and Map Division of the Library of Congress provides cartographic and geographic information for all parts of the globe. It has custody of one of the largest cartographic collections in the world. What started as a collection of 47,000 maps in 1897 has grown to over five million maps, which includes a sizable number of maps in Hebrew and on the Jewish world. This presentation will highlight this collection, focusing on the Hebrew language maps and Judaica maps and a nod to some of the unique maps to pique your interest.

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