

HALPERN, R.M.

Montreal.

Klaeger: Franz Schoenbach, Riegersdorf

R.Schuldf.

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den 25. Juli 1939

R. Schuldf.

Betr.: Forderung an R.M. Halpern,
Montreal.

ab ab. VII.

In der obigen Angelegenheit muss leider mitgeteilt werden, dass Ihre Forderung in Hoehe von £ 9.17.6 an die Firma R. M. H a l p e r n , Montreal, als unbringlich angesehen werden muss. Halpern, der Jude ist, muss als zahlungsunfaehig angesehen werden. Gerichtlich gegen denselben vorzugehen hat keinen Zweck, da bei den hohen Gerichtskosten nur weitere Unkosten entstehen wuerden.

Die uebersandten Unterlagen werden mit Ihrem Einverstaendnis vorlaeufig hier behalten, um eventuell zu gegebener Zeit nochmals gegen den Schuldner vorgehen zu koennen.

Die hier entstandenen Kosten in Hoehe von
/ RM 3,- wollen Sie bitte laut Anlage erstatten.

Der Deutsche Konsul

I.A.: *Kudzy*

K/D

Firma

Franz Schoenbach
Riegersdorf
ueber Bodenbach
(Sudetengau).

Anlage: Kostenrechnung Tar.St.9a)
2 RM plus 1 RM.

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DUN & BRADSTREET OF CANADA, LIMITED

THE MERCANTILE AGENCY

BOARD OF TRADE BUILDING

MERCANTILE CLAIMS DIVISION

MONTREAL, QUE.

June 20th 1939.

German Consulate,
317 Keefer Bldg.,
Montreal.

(R. Schuldf)



Your Claim vs.

R.M. Halpern,

5995 St. Urbain St.,

Montreal. \$ £9.17.6.

We are pleased to acknowledge receipt of the above claim.

You will be kept informed of developments. Kindly notify us promptly of any direct communications or payments from debtor.

DUN & BRADSTREET OF CANADA, LIMITED

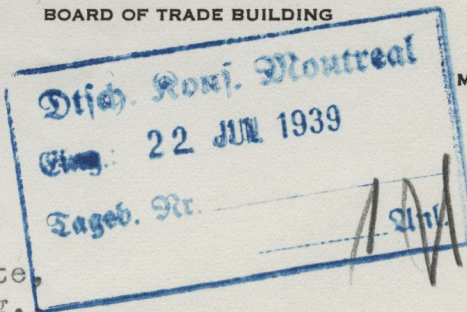
MERCANTILE CLAIMS COLLECTED THROUGHOUT CANADA AND THE UNITED STATES

DUN & BRADSTREET OF CANADA, LIMITED

THE MERCANTILE AGENCY

BOARD OF TRADE BUILDING

MERCANTILE CLAIMS DIVISION



MONTREAL, QUE.

June 21, 1939.

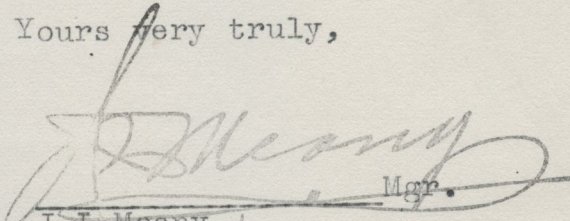
German Consulate,
317 Keefer Bldg.
Montreal.

Dear Sirs:-

16850 re R.M. Halpern.

Enclosed please find copy of report on above debtor.
After perusal please instruct.

Yours very truly,


J.L. Meany.
Mgr.

JLM/VB.

DUN & BRADSTREET OF CANADA, LIMITED The Mercantile Agency

The following report is furnished, at your request, under your Subscription Contract, in STRICT CONFIDENCE, by DUN & BRADSTREET OF CANADA, LIMITED, as your agents and employees, for your exclusive use as an aid in determining the advisability of granting credit or insurance, and for no other purpose.

Please note whether name, business and street address correspond with your inquiry.

HALPERN, Rubin M.

Job. Smallwares

MONTREAL, Que.

5995 St. Urbain St.

CD 10 33 December 29, 1938.

HISTORY

Halpern is 55, married, a native of Poland and a resident of this country since 1924. He was employed as a salesman until 1931, when he started as a manufacturer's agent in a small way and on May 29, 1933, he registered as owner under style, "Overseas Import Co." Discontinued using that style, however, early in 1934 and has since carried on in his own name.

This business was started at a poor time with limited capital and he has been unable to make any headway.

METHOD OF OPERATION

Handles cheaper grades of smallwares and novelties, such as razor blades and toilet requisites, which he sells to chain stores throughout the City on a cash basis.

Carries on from his residence here, which is in a brick encased building, on a side street in a residential section. He gives affairs the necessary attention and no outside help is needed.

FIRE HAZARD

Rents a small dwelling here, where he resides with his family and occupies the lower flat of a three-storey building, maintained in normal condition. Monthly rental is \$15. Surrounding buildings are of similar construction, used for residential purposes.

FIRE RECORD: No fires reported.

FINANCIAL INFORMATION

A detailed statement has never been submitted and on December 29, 1938, he declined furnishing financial details, although admitted that he represents very little in the way of financial resources and is not a seeker of credit. He has very little in the way of visible assets at the present time.

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This business has always been a very small affair, and although he continues to struggle along, it is evident that he is barely clearing living expenses.

PAYMENTS

While no regular credit connections have been established locally, he represents very little in the way of tangible resources which would warrant credit favors.

SUMMARY

THIS IS A VERY SMALL OPERATOR WITH QUITE LIMITED CAPITAL AND NO PROGRESS IS BEING MADE.

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DUN & BRADSTREET

OF CANADA
LIMITED

DUN & BRADSTREET OF CANADA, LIMITED

THE MERCANTILE AGENCY

BOARD OF TRADE BUILDING

MERCANTILE CLAIMS DIVISION

MONTREAL, QUE.

June 24, 1939.

German Consulate,
317 Keefer Bldg.,
Montreal.

Offic. Recd. Montreal

File: 26. JUN. 1939

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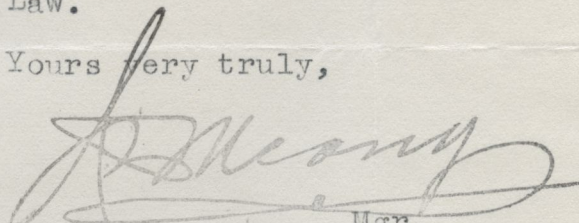
Dear Sirs:-

16850 re R. Schuldf,
vs R.M. Halpern.

Confirming telephone communication of yesterday, the above debtor is under Lacombe Law and as you advised that you would like to fyle same yourself, the following may be of some assistance in so doing.

You must obtain from the Lacombe Law Department regular forms to be filled in to which must be attached a detailed statement of your account, which must be sworn to before a Notary Public or Commissioner of the Superior Court. Debtor must be served with a copy and also the attorney who acted for him when he placed himself under the Lacombe Law.

Yours very truly,



J.L. Neany. Mgr.

JLM/VB.

MERCANTILE CLAIMS COLLECTED THROUGHOUT CANADA AND THE UNITED STATES

June 16, 1939.

R. Schuldf.

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Messrs. Dun & Bradstreet of Canada, Limited,
Mercantile Claims Division,
Board of Trade Building,
Montreal.

Dear Sirs:-

The firm of R.M. Halpern, 5995 St. Urbain Str.,
Montreal, has accepted a Bill of Exchange payable on Sept.
28th, 1938, amounting to £ 8.7.6. On presentation, payment
was refused and the Bill was protested at the request of
the Bank of Montreal. Costs accumulated brought the amount
payable up to £ 9.17.6.

Several requests for payment had no success.
A letter from Mr. Halpern stated that he had no means at
the present time. I should appreciate it if you would
look after this matter, informing me whether it would
pay to sue.

Yours very truly,

The German Consul

by:

(E.Koechlin)

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Riegersdorf, the 10th June 1938 For £8. 7. 6/ D/P
(Bohemia)

Sixty days

By-Sight-days after sight pay this First of Exchange (Second unpaid) to the Order of Bank of Montreal, Montreal, the sum of Eight pounds seven shillings and six pence payable in legal currency at the collecting banks drawing rate for sight bills on London. Value by goods which place to account as advised by invoices of 10-6-1938 Inv. No. 39477.

To Messrs R.M. Halpern,
5995 St. Urbain Street,
Montreal.

(Signed) Franz Schombach.

No. 8278 Rebate for prepayment 5% p.a.

Address of need: Messrs.-----

(Endorsed) Bank of Montreal, Collection Dept. Jun. 29 1938,
Montreal. (Stamp)

On this twenty-ninth _____ day of September _____ in the
year one thousand nine hundred and thirty-eight _____, in the afternoon,
I, GEORGE LYMAN VANVLIET _____, Notary Public for the Province of Quebec,
in the Dominion of Canada, dwelling in the City of Montreal, at the request of the

Bank of Montreal,

in the said City of Montreal, did exhibit the original Bill of Exchange whereof a
true copy is above written, unto _____ R.M. Halpern _____

the Acceptor _____ thereof, at Five thousand nine hundred and
ninety-five (5995) St. Urbain Street, in the said City of
Montreal, _____

and there speaking to a grown and reasonable person _____
did demand payment _____ of the said Bill, unto which
demand he answered:—

"Will settle direct".

Wherefore, I, the said Notary, at the request aforesaid, have protested, and by these said presents do protest against the Drawer ~~and Acceptor and Endorser~~ of the said Bill, and all other parties thereto or therein concerned, for all exchange, re-exchange and all costs, damages, and interest, present and to come, for want of **payment** of the said Bill.

All which I attest under my signature.

Protested in duplicate, one whereof remains of record in my office, under the number **Ten** thousand **six** hundred and **seventy**.
(Two words deleted are null.)

G. L. Hawwhit N. P.

And Afterwards, I, the aforesaid protesting Notary Public, did serve due notice, in the form prescribed by law, a duplicate whereof immediately follows these presents, of the foregoing Protest for non- **payment** of the said Bill thereby protested upon **Franz Schonbach** the drawer thereof as well as endorser thereon and

~~also endorser thereon~~ by depositing such notice directed to **the said Drawer at Riegersdorf, Czechoslovakia,**

in His Majesty's Post Office, in the City of Montreal, on the **thirtieth** day of **September** one thousand nine hundred and **thirty-eight** and prepaying the postage thereon.

In Testimony Whereof, I have, on the last mentioned day and year, at Montreal aforesaid, signed these presents. (Nine words deleted are null)

G. L. Hawwhit N. P.

Montreal, 29th September 1938.

Your _____ Bill of Exchange
for £8. 7. 6. _____ dated at Riegersdorf, _____
the 10th June 1938. _____ upon Messrs. R.M. Halpern, _____
5995 St. Urbain Street, Montreal, Que., and by him accepted
payable at that address, _____
in favor of Bank of Montreal, Montreal, _____
payable Sixty days sight _____ and by
you drawn _____, was this day at the request of the

Bank of Montreal,

in this City, duly protested by me for non- payment.
(One word deleted is null)

To

GL Vee Whit N.P.

Franz Schonbach,
Riegersdorf,
Czechoslovakia.

No. 10670

29th September 1938

PROTEST

AT THE REQUEST OF

Bank of Montreal

OF A

BILL OF EXCHANGE,

DRAWN BY

Franz Schonbach

UPON

Messrs. R.M. Halpern.

DUPLICATE

PROTEST	\$1.00
DUPLICATE	0.50
NOTICES50
NOTICE TO ACCEPTOR	----
POSTAGE05
	<u>\$ 2.05</u>

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JOHN FAIR,
NOTARY,
MONTREAL

JOHN FAIR
NOTARY

Montreal, 29th September 1938.

Your — BILL OF EXCHANGE

for £8. 7. 6. — dated at Riegersdorf,

*the 10th June 1938, upon R.M. Halpern, 5995
St. Urbain Street, Montreal, Que., and by him
accepted payable at that address, in favor of
Bank of Montreal, Montreal,*

payable Sixty days sight

and by you drawn

was this day at the request of the

Bank of Montreal,

in this City, duly protested by me for non-payment.

G. L. Van der P.

To

**Franz Schonbach,
Riegersdorf,
Czechoslovakia.**

BANK OF MONTREAL

P.O. Box 3337

1-1 MONTREAL, QUE.

Branch

Sep. 30th 1938

119 ST. JAMES STREET WEST

The Manager

Franz Schonbach,

Riegersdorf,

Czechoslovakia.

Dear Sir:

We return herewith

~~We enclose for collection~~

draft on

R.M. Halpern

£8.7.6.

Reason "Will settle direct. "

Duly protested for non-payment.

Protest papers attached.

Please favour us with your remittance
for \$2.05 to cover cost of protesting
this item.

Yours truly,

Edgar L. [Signature]
16. Nov. 1938

R. J. WILLIAMS,

[Signature]
Manager

Deutsches Konsulat

German Consulate
317 Keefer Bldg.

Montreal, May 10, 1939

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Mr. R.M. Halpern,
5995 St. Urbain St.,
M o n t r e a l .

Dear Sir,

My letter of April 13th has brought no reply from you and the payment of \$40.00 which you promised to make has not come to hand. Over one month has gone by now and the firm in Germany wish to know how you intend to settle this account. You have accepted the note, and I am sorry to say that I shall have to take further steps now.

Yours very truly,

The German Consul

by:

Koechlin

(E. Koechlin)

K/D

*Ich habe jetzt kein Geld. Wenn
ich noch Geld habe, würde ich
eine Übergabe machen.
Sie müssen also Geduld
haben.
Hochachtungsvoll
R. M. Halpern*

*for maximum
prints for
K/D*

May 10, 1939

R. Schuldf.

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Mr. R.M. Halpern,
5995 St. Urbain St.,
M o n t r e a l .

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Yours very truly,

The German Consul

by:

K/D

(E. Koechlin)

zurueck an Herrn Koechlin

April 13, 1939

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Mr. R.M.Halpern,
5995 St.Urbain St.,
Montreal.

Dear Sir,

I have your letter of April 5th and note that you are trying to get a loan from friends in order to be able to make a payment of \$40.00 in favour of the firm of Franz Schoenbach, Riegersdorf. As mentioned in your letter, the payment will be made by you on Saturday or Monday, the 17th of April.

I have also noted the further contents of your letter and shall endeavor to meet you as soon as this is possible. At the present time I am unable to do so as the Commercial Attaché, Dr.Wagner, is on a business trip and will not be back until the end of May.

Yours very truly,

The German Consul

by:

K/D

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R. M. HALPERN

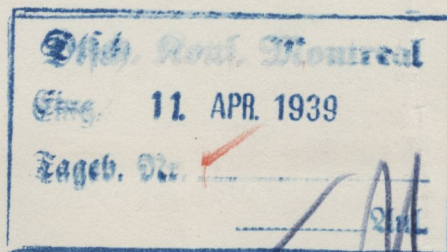
IMPORTERS and MANUFACTURER'S AGENT

5995 ST. URBAIN STREET

MONTREAL
CANADA

April 5th 1939

Mr. E. Koechlin
c/o German Consulate
Montreal.



Dear Mr. Koechlin:-

In reply to your letter of the 1st April 1st /your file R.Schuldf./ and referring to our conversation on the 'phone I must sincerely admit that I have no money at the present to pay my debts. But I am trying to get a loan from friends and if I am successful, I hope to be able to send you \$40.00 on Saturday or Monday.

I live now in dire distress and need and poverty and here is the story of my life which might be interesting to you. I used to do very big business in German merchandise before 1933 in being an agent for various German firms, so instance for Mr. Max Keller of Oberstein a.N. and for Fr. Krupp of Essen in dental and surgical instruments, and also a few others firms. After 1933 when the first boycott broke out, I had to give up my agencies, as most of my connections were of the Jewish people and they have refused to buy immediately after the first persecution in Germany began. I settled to the last cent with Mr. Keller and returned all stock I had from Krupp to Essen as it was impossible to sell the German instruments, although they were better and lower in price than the American and English instruments. If you will ask Mr. Max Keller and the V2A. Stahl Abteilung of Fr. Krupp in Essen, they will confirm every word as mentioned. After I was broken and ruined and remained penniless and jobless and ever since I tried all kinds of things but always without success.

About two years ago I felt the boycott has quieted down a bit and tried again to get German agencies and bring in samples but in the meantime the events of the 10th November last year broke out such as the burning of the synagogues, torturing of people in the concentration camps etc etc. and the boycott has again enflamed with greater vigour than ever and all hope for renewal of connections were without success. That is the reason that I had to return a shipment to Max Keller in January 1938 because he stamped the cards Made in Germany and nobody wanted to buy the merchandise, the same fate met other shipments as the people kept on refusing to buy. *Two of the shipments were no good.*

Now you invite me to come to see you in your office and I ask you how can I come to your office and see the symbol of my degra-

R. M. HALPERN

IMPORTERS and MANUFACTURER'S AGENT

5995 ST. URBAIN STREET

MONTREAL
CANADA

Mr. E. Koechlin Cont. 2

dation and humiliation? I used to visist your office very often and your former officers used to know me but how can I come now. I am a former Deutscher Burger of Posen which is now in Poland as you know and in 1918 all my folks fled to inner Germany when the Pollacks entered the city. I and my brother served in the Great Wat and have distinguissehd ourselves for good and heroic service and what is now? One of my relatives was killed in Dachau by S.A. Leute for no reason at all-he had never mixed in politics. Another relative escaped from Sachsenhausen to Belgium and ~~after~~ suffering tortures and disgrace is now starving in Belgium from hunger and want and living on public charity. Why all these persecut^{ions} are we guilty if the Deutschland has lost the last war? and you should know proportionately we German Jews have given to the fatherland more than anybody else, if therewe were Schieber, so there were Schieber Arian too? So why all these inhuman crueelties?

I must tell you that I cannot come to your office and look at the swastica without a shuddeer in my heart remembering all the sufferings, humiliations and degradations and misery that our people have suffered and are still suffering in our Vaterland. Can you explain me why all these torturings? I feel that I have done for my Vaterland as much if not more than any Arian so why do I deserve this miserable punishment? Where is justice?

I am willing and would ^{glad} ~~glad~~ to see you but not in the Consulate but in any place you would choose, in any downtown cafe and ~~not~~ ^{gladly} in my house and I would gladly explain you more and show you some genuine documents-so that you may judge for yourself and will see that what I told you is not Greuelthatn Propaganda but every word is the truth.

Ich moechte Sie sehr gerne sprechen wenn Sie es wunschen, aber nicht im Consulate, wie ich Ihnen schon erklaert habe.

Indem ich Sie begruesse zeichne

Hochachtungsvoll

R. M. Halpern

April 1, 1939

R.Schuldf.

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Mr. R.M. Halpern,
5995 St. Urbain St.,
Montreal.

Dear Sir,

The firm of Franz Schoenbach, Riegersdorf, Germany, have informed this office that you have received merchandise amounting to £ 8.7.6, according to invoice of June 10th, ^{1938,} for which no payment has been received.

A draft amounting to £ 8.7.6, accepted by you for presentation on August 10, 1938, has not been honoured, for the reason that direct settlement would be made. The cost of protest amounted to £ -.10.-, thus bringing your obligation up to £ 9.17.6.

I am expecting your certified cheque for this amount by return mail.

Yours truly,

The German Consul

by:

K/D

(E. Koechlin)

(zurueck an Herrn Koechlin)

Metallwaren-Fabriken
Franz Schönbach



Telegramm-Adresse:
Schönbach, Riegersdorf-Böheimen
(Riegersdorf-Böheimen ~~West~~)
Fernsprecher Riegersdorf No. 1.
Gegründet 1870.

Riegersdorf, den 26.2.1939.
~~Böheimen~~. Bahnstation Eulau.
über Bodenbach.
Sudetengau. **Dtsch. Kons. Montreal**

Empf. 10. MRZ 1939

Exped. Nr. A

An das
Deutsche Konsulat,
317, Keefer Building,
1440, St. Catherine Street,
Montreal-West.

Betrifft Firma: R.M. Halpern, 5995, St. Urbain Street, Montreal:

Inliegend gestatte ich mir einen Kontoauszug für diese Firma mit £ 9.17.6 zu meinen Gunsten ohne Zinsen, sowie eine Protestaudnahme von Mr. Joahn Fair, Notary in Montreal als auch eine Benachrichtigung der Bank of Montreal vom 30.9. 1938, in welcher ich mit \$ 2.05 belastet werde, sowie meinen Originalwechsel Nr. 8278 über £ 8.7.6 un den Protest Nr. 10670 vom 29. September 1938 mit der Bitte zu überreichen mir bei der Hereinbringung der obigen Schuld behilflich zu sein oder die Sache einen in Frage kommenden Firma gegen prozentuellen Erfolgsanteil zu übergeben. Ich gestatte mir Ihnen mitzuteilen, dass ich entgegen dem der Bank beim Inkasso gegebenen Versprechen: "Will settle direct" bis heute nicht einen Pence von der Firma Halpern erhalten habe.

Ich danke Ihnen für Ihre frdl. Untersützung im Vorhinein allerbestens und bitte Sie um Aufgabe Ihrer Spesen.
Heil Hitler !

Heil Hitler !

Beilagen laut Angabe.
Einschreiben !

R. Schudt.