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**Loyalty to the Empire as the element of identity of Jewish entrepreneurs in Drohobych.**

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**Abstract**

The article analyses the texts of Jewish intellectuals and entrepreneurs of Drohobych which show demonstrations of loyalty to Austrian-Hungarian Empire and Habsburg dynasty. The article concentrates on few aspects that represent importance of declarations of loyalty for Galician Jewish intellectuals, such as reactions on the visit of emperor Franz Joseph on the factory of local Jewish entrepreneurs and mentions of Constitution of 1867. Declarations of loyalty to Empire were essential elements of the texts, produced as by mascil as well by orthodox milieu, that allowed to show themselves as integral part of the society and approve their status as equal citizens.