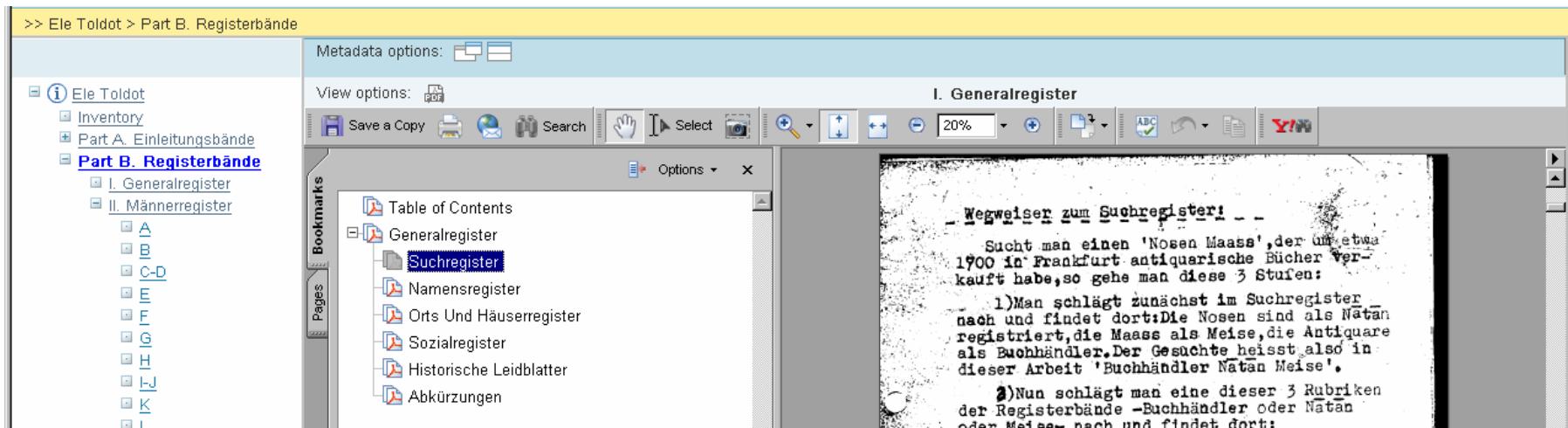## How to find a person in 'Ele Toldot' (adapted from '*Wegweiser zum Suchregister*')

As an example, let us look for a person by the name of *Nosen Maass*, who was an *Antiquar* – he dealt in old books -, and he lived in Frankfurt around the year 1700. As a first step, we have to find out, how *Ele Toldot* uses the names *Nosen* and *Maass*, and the proper term for the word *Antiquar*.

1.) First, we go to the search index (*Suchregister*), by clicking on *Part B: Registerbände* where we find the *Suchregister* after opening the 'Bookmarks'.

Scrolling down in the *Suchregister* to the letter 'N', we learn that everybody by the name of *Nosen* is indexed as *Natan*;

scrolling back up again to the letter "M" informs us that every *Maass* is indexed as *Meise*;

and we'll find *Antiquar* listed as a *Buchhändler* (a book dealer).

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Ansbach              Anspach
Anschel,Anselm;       ▔▔ᵛ▔▔
  Anselmus            Aser
Antiquare  ·         Buchhändler
Apfel (ohne Zusatz);  goldner.Apfel
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Therefore, the man we are looking for, is called *Natan Meise* the *Buchhändler*.

2.) We now open the *Männerregister* (the index of men's names) to the letters "N-O"; look in the Bookmarks for the section "NA"; and scroll down to the name *Natan*.

Ele Toldot lists all the *Natans* chronologically by their dates of death. Since we know that 'our' Natan lived around the year 1700, we can easily find him by scrolling down the long list, until we find Nosen Meise, who was a *Buchhändler* in the early 1700s:

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Nos̄ ṉ	Mos̄e	– Metz	gld.Schwert, schwz.Bär rot.Schwert	9.IX. 1709	v	
Nat̄ᵉ	.	– Wingert	.	.	v	b/1. 171.
Nōsᵉn	Ziskind	– Bonn	weisser Löwe	11.VI. 1710	v	
Nōsᵉn	Gümprib	– Bingen	goldner Adler	17.VI. 1710	–	b/2. XII. 172.
Nat̄ᵉ	Mōsᵉ	– Slos Smuts	wilder Mann	10.II. 1712	v	
Nōsᵉn	Zelig- man	– Falke	Mannheim Heidelbg. Gelnhsn.	8.XII.	v	
Nat̄an	Mōsᵉ	– Spanier Stadthagen	.	.	v	b/u. 171.
Nōsᵉn	Amsᵉl	– Meise	gld.Strauss	16.V. 1714	v	štadl. mōrt. Buchhdlr.

Natan.

We find him listed as *Nosᵉn* (son of) *Amšel*. The ↔ in the third column indicates that he was neither a c*ohen* nor a l*evi*. His surname is listed as *Meise*, and his address indicates the house *gld. (goldener) Strauss*. He died on 16. V. 1714 (May 16, 1714), and he was a š*tadlan* and a *Buchhändler* , carrying the title *mōrenū*.

3.) We now go to *Ele Toldot*'s main part, *Part C.*, opening it to the year 1714 (*Natan Meise*'s year of death), and we scroll down to the exact date of 16. V. 1714 (May 16, 1714).

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          Nōsᵉn Meise.                16.V.1714.
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    Ho.1674: g' Nōsᵉn Māz tsū gůldᵉm Štrauz b
        (rlN:) Āšer (= atN:) Anšᵉl z"l
    starb 2.Sīwan 474.

    sk.474=73: ...bgrb.b/s.Vater...

    MF.155-4: ..štadlān u.26 Jahre p'.Erhielt
        d.Titel .morenu...

    Et.180-1.

    Kōs 2 dg"a: ...gildᵉn Štraus.(Eintritt:)
        Sīwan 452.(Bild:) Strauss.

    Vf.J.79: Ausf.Lebensbschrbg.Er war Inhbar.
        der 'Maas'schen Buchhandlung'.

  Haus:      goldner Strauss.

  Vater:     Amšᵉl z.Meise b' Lejzᵉr = 23.IV.1684.
  Mutter:    Gutlin b' Herts Bonn = 4.XI.1763.

  Er heir.   a)        Ellihᵉn b' Zussᵉl Kŏmᵉ = 8.X.168
             b)1686 Gejlᵉ aus Metz b' Geršon k"ts = 1
               IX.1701.
             c)um 1702 Gellihᵉn b' Wajbᵉš Schiff k"ts
               = 17.III.1709.
             d)um 1710 die Wweₐd.Bendit Schnappᵉr sg'
               Frůmmᵉt b' Menkᵉ Hecht sg"l = 14.I.
               1724.(Sie heir.als Wwe.Nōsⁿ z.wss.Och

  Kinder:    a)Lejzᵉr Meise z.Štrauss = 24.XI.1693.
             b)Šlŏmᵉ Meise z.gld.Anker = 20.III.1764.
             c)Eljᵉ Meise z.gld.Strauss,dann z.gld.
               Anker,= 14.I.1735.
             d)Herts Meise z.gld.Arche,dann zź.gld.
               Strauss,= 17.IV.1716.
             f) / g) Töchter s.umsthd.
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Here we learn about his parents, his four marriages and about his children.