

## Three Noteworthy Families

There were three unique families that were well-known in Częstochowa, regarding whom the city had its long-established assumptions. These three families were the Franks, the Pankowskis and the Behms.

The Frank family were known as “crooked” people, in the sense that their neckties, collars or other items of dress, worn by them, were always askew. The Pankowski family had a reputation for not being [overly] clever and, if someone had a different surname but was descended from the Pankowskis, they were assumed to be fools. The Behm family were known as irritable, nervous people, who always spoke angrily.

As a result, the following witticism circulated in the city: “There is no straight Frank, no clever Pankowski and no mild Behm.”