

**GROSMAN** (GROSSMAN) Lazarus (Lazariusz), Lejzer (1820–1892), bookseller, trader, industrialist. He was born on 5th January 1820 in Częstochowa, the son of Herszlik (circa 1796–) and Dwora née Balsam.

On 8th August 1853, Grosman received permission, from the Governate of Warsaw, to establish and run a bookshop in Częstochowa. In archival documents dated 1858-61, he is mentioned as a bookseller. (To 1861, Grosman is also mentioned in registers of business owners.) Presumably, in 1861, he closed or sold the bookshop.

In 1862, in a listing, prepared for taxation purposes by the Częstochowa municipal authorities, he is already mentioned as a lime trader. In 1863, he set up a lime kiln on ul. Dojazdowa (Piłsudskiego). The plant, which had four lime kilns, was located near the Warsaw-Vienna Railway Station. The lime produced was either sold on the premises or shipped to both Warsaw and Łódź. In 1876, he was employing fifty-six people. At the end of the 1880's, he probably leased out the lime kilns and, later, sold them to J. Warszawski.

From the 1870s, he belonged to the Association of Agricultural Settlements and Craft Shelters (which organised correctional facilities for juvenile offenders and cared for them upon release). He was a donor towards this purpose.

He died on 9th August 1892 in Częstochowa and was buried in the local Jewish cemetery.

In his marriage with Rozalia née Buchner (5th January 1827 Warsaw-), the daughter of → Abram Buchner, he had three sons → Jan, → Stanisław and → Michał.

Sobalski, *Przemysł częstochowski*, pp. 44, 57, 158, 159; Spątek, *Zarys dziejów księgarstwa*, p. 201. – *Rocznik Tow. Osad Rolnych 1880*. – Materials (copy of death record) from the ODDC collection.

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