LEDER Markus (1864–1942), teacher, head of Jewish schools, social activist. He was born on 12th June 1864 in Sieradz, the son of Aron and Emilia + Leder.

From circa 1885, Leder worked as a teacher. He taught Jewish religion in the local Jewish boys’ school at ul. Mikołajewska 8 (Katedralna 13) and, also in 1914-1927 and 1930-1939 in the eight-grade Waclawa Golczewska-Chrzanowska Girls’ Gimnazjum (from 1920, the J. Słowacki Girls’ Gimnazjum Żeńskie).

In 1914-1918, Jewish schools in Częstochowa came under his general management. (Leder was a senior teacher.) From 1918, he passed the examination for general school teachers. From the beginning of the 1920s to 1926, he was a teacher and the manager of the No. 12 Public Elementary School.

Leder was socially active. He was a member (treasurer) of the Society for the Protection of the Health of the Jewish Population TOZ. On behalf of TOZ, he organised various events for those youngest, including “Children’s Day” holidays.

He was deported by the Germans during the liquidation of the ghetto in Częstochowa (September-October 1942) and perished in the Treblinka extermination camp.

In 1889, in Kowal, he married Ita née Bodzanowska (12th January 1864 Kowal-), the daughter of Mordka and Chana née Halfron. They had two daughters - Adela (15th May 1890 Częstochowa-) and Sara (2nd February 1897 Częstochowa-).


Juliusz Sętowski