

**WEKSLER** Dawid Chil (1810?-1897) rabbi.

Initially, at least until 1850, he lived in Koniecpol and, later, in Częstochowa where, following the death of → Icchak Rabinowicz, in the years 1868-1870, he was the rabbi of the city's synagogue until the arrival of → Abram Kopelman from Lida (?-1880).

Following his departure from the city, [Weksler] again performed the duties of a rabbi during the years 1874-1883. Throughout that entire period, he also served as a *dayan* (a member of the Częstochowa Rabbinical Court), occasionally chairing the Court in the absence of the rabbi.

He died on 27th March 1897 in Częstochowa and was buried in the local Jewish cemetery. (His grave has not survived.)

He was married to Taub née Wertman (1808? - 1898), with whom he had three sons

- Lejb Herszlik (1836-1916),
- Mendel (1841?-1876),
- Abram Szmul (1850-1913), who was engaged in trade in Częstochowa and Zawiercie.

Paszkowski, *Przewodnik*, pp. 244, 245; J. Spyra, *Żydowski ksiądz? Rabin w społeczności żydowskiej Częstochowy*, "Częstochowskie Teki Historyczne" 2013/14, p. 148. – APCz, death record Nos. 38/1897, 76/1898 (re: wife) oraz 10/1913; USC Częstochowa, death record No. 57/1916.

**Wiesław Paszkowski**