

Firth, Hall & Pond

New York City

All brass instruments found are labeled "Firth, Hall & Pond New York" and date from 1833-1847. All are keyed bugles.

John Firth: 1798-1864

- 1810 to US from England
- 1812 served in war w/William Hall
- 1813 worked for Edward Riley in NYC
- 1815 started his own shop at 8 Warren St.
- 1817-19 now at 9 Frankfurt St.
- 1820 now at Hester St.

Thaddeus Firth: 1821-1913

son of John

Edward I. Firth: 1836-?

son of John

William Hall: 1796-1874

- 1812 served in war with John Firth
- 1813 worked for Edward Riley in NYC
- 1820 joined John Firth at 8 Warren St.

James F. Hall: 1823-?

son of William

Sylvanus B. Pond: 1792-1871

- 1825 established music store in Albany, NY
- 1833 moved to NYC to join Firth & Hall

William A. Pond: 1824-1885

son of Sylvanus

William A. Pond, Jr.: 1845-1884

son of William, Sr.

Firth & Hall:

- 1821 established at 362 Pearl St.
- 1832 moved to 1 Franklin Square

Firth, Hall & Pond:

1833-47 store at 1 Franklin Sq.

Firth, Pond & Co.:

- 1847-55 store at 1 Franklin Sq. with sons Thaddeus & Wm
- 1856-62 now at 547 Broadway; S.P. retires in 1850

Firth, Son & Co.:

- 1863 established at 563 Broadway with John, Thaddeus & Edward
- 1867 sold business to Oliver Ditson



William Hall & Son:

- 1847 established at 239 Broadway with James (dir)
- 1851 #239 Broadway & #1 Park Place (dir)
- 1854 #239 Broadway only (dir)
- 1856 #239 Broadway & #16 White (dir)
- 1864 now at #543 Broadway
- 1866 now listed as dissolved

William A. Pond & Co.:

- 1863 established at 547 Broadway w/son
- 1874 547 Broadway & 39 Union Square, inst. importer
- 1878 move to 25 Union Square
- 1879 25 Union Sq. & 25 E. 15th St.
- 1881 selling Distin band instruments made by Boosey & Co. of London; sole US agents, 25 Union Sq.
- 1888-90 25 Union Sq., estate of William Pond only

Music Dealers and Publishers.

 **THE ORIGINAL**
Distin Band Instruments,

Made by **BOOSEY & CO.,** London. **W. A. POND & CO.,** 25 Union Square, New York, Sole Agents for the United States. Full Price List on application.

Boosey & Co. brass instruments found marked with “Wm. A. Pond & Co. Sole US Agents” date to between 1874 and 1886 which fits with Pond’s death in 1885. After this, Boosey instruments are sold through Root & Sons in Chicago.



Boosey cornet marked Pond & Co., c.1879

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