

A. Lecomte & Cie.

Paris

- 1850s working with brass maker Gautrot
- 1859 established by Arsene Zoe Lecomte (1818-1892)
- 1860 registered trademark tuning fork & "A.L. & Cie"
- 1862 work force of 100
- 1874 designed a duplex clarion / trumpet
- 1875 registered "A. Lecomte & Cie. Paris" trademark
- 1876 located at Rue St. Gilles 12, Paris; exhibited in Philadelphia, PA
- 1888 first maker to apply part of the Boehm system to the saxophone
- 1889 merged with Massain & Thibouville to add woodwind instruments
- 1890 registered trademark name with "rue St. Gilles 12" added
- 1892 Lecomte dies
- 1898 Charles & Jacques Ullmann are successors

Above information from *The New Langwill Index*

Brass instruments were imported to the US by Lehnert (Phila.), D.C. Hall (Boston), C.J. Whitney (Detroit), & Lyon & Healy. Imports to Canada were by Peter Grossman of Hamilton and A&S Nordheimer of Toronto. Photos from Horn-u-copia.net except bottom two at right author's collection.

