

J. W. Pepper Surviving Imported Brass Instruments

Serial #	Date	Instrument	Model	Description
	1877	J. W. Pepper opens his first retail instrument store in Philadelphia at #832 Filbert St		
	1881	Pepper establishes a store in New York City with Henry Moennig at #294 Bowery		
5616	1881	Cornet	Bb	Pepper Importer P&NY presented to E. Brown 1881 [Farrar]
	1882	Henry Distin moves to Philadelphia after March of 1882 and helps start a factory for J. W. Pepper		
	1883	Pepper factory opens on June 1 st at 8 th & Locust St		
5038	1883	Baritone		Pepper Importer Phila & NY
5193	1883	Cornet	Eb	Pepper Importer Phila & NY
5219	1883	Alto	Eb	same
5284	1883	Cornet	Bb	same
5385	1883	Cornet	Bb	same
5389	1883	Cornet	Bb	same
5440	1883	Cornet	Bb	same
5799	1884	Cornet	Bb	Pepper Importer P&NY [Farrar]
5920	1884	Cornet	C/Bb	same
6185	1884	Trombone	Tenor	valves; Pepper Importer Phila & NY
6194	1884	Trombone	Alto vlv	Pepper Importer P&NY
6417	1884	Cornet	Bb	Importer; Phila only
6663	1885	Tuba	Helicon	Importer Phila & NY
6700	1885	Tuba	Eb	same
7554	1886	Cornet	Bb	Superior 1 st Class Pepper Importer P&C [Farrar]
7789	1886	Cornet	Bb	same

1886 Pepper opens a store in Chicago at #149 Wabash Ave and closes the New York store after May

8235	1886	Alto		Pepper Importer Phila & Chicago
8562	1886	Trombone	Tenor	same
8615	1886	Trombone	Eb Alto	valve; same
8752	1886	Trombone	Tenor	same
8831	1887	Helicon	Courtiere	Eb; F. Courtiere Paris Pepper Importer Phila & Chicago
9360	1887	Cornet	Bb	Pepper Importer Phila & Chicago
10869	1888	Cornet	Bb/A	same
10934	1888	Tuba	Eb	same
10987	1888	Helicon	Eb	same
11110	1888	Cornet	Bb	same
11400	1888	Alto	Eb	same
11902	1888	Cornet	Bb	same
12166	1889	Cornet	C	same
12530	1889	Cornet	Bb	same
12902	1889	Alto		same
13246	1889	Cornet	Pocket	P&C; Importer [NMM]
13379	1889	Trombone	Eb Alto	same
13422	1889	Trombone	Tenor	valve; same
13484	1889	Trombone	Alto	valve; same
13570	1889	Alto	Eb Solo	same
13744	1890	Cornet	Bb	Pepper P&C [Farrar]
13756	1890	Cornet	Eb	Z lead pipe; Importer, P&C

13982	1890	Cornet	Bb	Pepper Importer Phila & Chicago; "C" inside sunburst logo on vlv 2
13993	1890	Trombone	Tenor	Phila & NY (possible error here)
14097	1890	Trombone	Tenor	same
14207	1890	Alto	Eb	same
14243	1890	Cornet	Bb	same
14273	1890	Alto	Eb	same
14510	1890	Alto	Eb	same
15608	1891	Cornet	Bb	W. Hillyard London Pepper Importer P&C
15917	1891	Cornet	Bb	Phil.; Importer
16215	1891	Cornet	Bb	same
16484	1891	Trombone	Eb Alto	Pepper Importer P&C
16911	1892	Cornet	Bb	Hillyard
16966	1892	Baritone	Eb	Hillyard
17195	1892	Cornet	Bb	Pepper Importer Phila
17553	1892	Trombone	Tenor	same
17794	1892	Trombone	Tenor	same
17760	1892	Cornet	Bb	same
17886	1892	Trombone	Alto	valve; Importer
18371	1892	Trombone	Tenor	valve; same
18425	1893	Trombone	Tenor	same
18557	1893	Helicon	Eb	
18612	1893	Cornet	Bb	W. Hillyard, Pepper Importer Phila. [Farrar]
18668	1893	Trombone	Tenor	valve; Pepper Importer Phila & Chicago

18690	1893	Trombone	Tenor	slide; Phila only
18923	1893	Cornet	Bb	Phila only
19284	1893	Cornet	Importer	Phil; RLP; DWK
19413	1893	Alto	Eb	P&C
19608	1893	Cornet	Bb	Phila only
20290	1894	Trombone	Tenor	valve
20435	1894	Cornet	C/Eb	Phila only
20700	1894	Trombone	Tenor	P&C
20766	1894	Alto	Eb	Phila only
21315	1894	Cornet	Bb	P&C
21393	1894	Alto		Phila only
21652	1895	Cornet	Bb	P&C
21701	1895	Mellophone	Eb	P&C
21759	1895	Cornet	Bb	P&C
21793	1895	Trombone	Tenor	
21986	1895	Alto	Eb	
22082	1895	Trombone	Tenor	valve; P&C
22085	1895	Cornet	Bb/A	Phila only
22890	1895	Cornet	Bb	same
23156	1895	Cornet	Bb	P&C
23268	1895	Cornet	Importer	P&C
23309	1896	Trombone	Tenor	M. Brisson & Cie Paris Pepper Importer Phila.
23554	1896	Cornet	Bb	Importer; Phila; RLP; looks like B&F made

23558	1896	Cornet	Bb	Phila only
23777	1896	Trombone	Tenor	P&C
23839	1896	Cornet	Bb	Phila only
24395	1896	Trombone	Tenor	valve; P&C
24589	1896	Trombone	Tenor	P&C
24712	1896	Cornet	Bb	Phila only
24837	1897	Alto	Eb	Phila only
25152	1897	Trombone	Tenor	valve; Phila only
25267	1897	Cornet	Bb	Pepper Importer Phila & Chicago
25350	1897	Cornet	Bb	same
25546	1897	Trombone	Tenor	valve
25611	1897	Cornet	Bb	
25633	1897	Trombone	Tenor	Pepper Importer Phila & Chicago (last Chicago horn)
	1897	The Chicago store closes after May 1 st and the name is dropped from the bell marking		
25667	1897	Cornet	Bb	DWK; Pepper Importer Phila.
25796	1897	Tuba	Eb	
25917	1897	Baritone		
26179	1897	Cornet	Bb	same
26391	1897	Trumpet	Bb	same; shepherd's crook bell
26479	1897	Cornet	Bb	
26683	1897	Cornet	Bb	
26700	1897	Cornet	Bb	Pepper Importer Phila.
27072	1898	Cornet	Bb	Z lead pipe; Importer

27451	1898	Trombone	Tenor	same
27535	1898	Cornet	American Favorite	Bb/A Pocket model
27617	1898	Cornet	Pocket	Importer; Phil.
27673	1898	Cornet	Surprise	C/Bb
28391	1898	Alto	Standard	Eb
28394	1898	Trombone	Standard	long model valve
28461	1898	Cornet	Surprise	Bb
28530	1898	Trombone	Surprise	
28592	1898	Trombone	Am. Fav.	Long model valve
28771	1898	Alto	Importer	Solo model
28817	1898	Trombone	Perfected	Tenor valve Eb, Pepper Importer Phila [Farrar]
28950	1898	Flugel Horn	W. Hillyard, London	
29028	1899	Trombone	Standard	Eb Alto valve
29388	1899	Cornet	Perfected	Bb
29551	1899	Cornet	Am. Fav.	Bb
29803	1899	Cornet	20 th Century	Bb
29812	1899	Alto	Perfected	Eb
30067	1899	Trombone	Surprise	
30232	1899	Cornet	Perfected	Bb
30282	1899	Cornet	Perfected	
30508	1899	Cornet	Standard	Bb
30661	1899	Tenor	Hillyard	Eb, Pepper Importer Phila. [Farrar]
30768	1899	Cornet	Importer	Bb

30861	1899	Cornet	Importer	Bb
30866	1899	Cornet	Surprise	C/Bb
30864	1899	Trombone	Surprise	valves
31009	1899	Mellophone	Imperial	
31096	1899	Cornet	Surprise	Bb
31161	1900	Cornet	Surprise	Bb/C, Pepper Phila [Farrar]
31186	1900	Cornet	Surprise	Bb
31323	1900	Trombone	Standard	long model valve
31343	1900	Cornet	20 th Cen.	Bb
31370	1900	Mellophone	Imperial	
31621	1900	Tenor	Standard	Eb [Farrar]
31707	1900	Baritone	Perfected	Bb [Farrar]
31726	1900	Cornet	Surprise	Bb
32158	1900	Cornet	Surprise	Bb
32182	1900	Alto	Perfected	
32266	1900	Trombone	Importer	Tenor valve
32283	1900	Alto	Standard	
32418	1900	Cornet	Surprise	Bb
33118	1900	Cornet	Importer	Bb
33328	1901	Cornet	20 th Cen.	Bb
33488	1901	Trombone	Surprise	
33477	1901	Cornet	Surprise	Bb
33892	1901	Mellophone	Standard	

34006	1901	Cornet	Importer	C/Bb/A
34288	1901	Alto	Standard	Solo
34368	1901	Alto	Importer	
34681	1901	Cornet	Am. Fav.	Bb
34936	1901	Cornet	Surprise	Bb
34946	1901	Cornet	Am. Fav.	Bb
34998	1901	Trombone	Surprise	
35407	1902	Bass	Eb	Berlin valves, Pepper Importer [Farrar]
35886	1902	Trumpet	Surprise	Bb; shepherd's crook bell
36330	1902	Cornet	Surprise	Bb
36792	1902	Cornet	Surprise	Bb; "Purchased by W. J. Imrie in 1902"
37207	1902	Mellophone	Am. Fav.	
37344	1902	Cornet	Perfected	Bb/A

1903 Catalog has American Favorite Besson style cornet, 20th Century cornet, baritone, trumpet & double bell Euphonium, Surprise cornet, Perfected cornet, Premier cornet, & Specialty cornet

37561	1903	Trombone	?	
37890	1903	Baritone	Standard	
37934	1903	Cornet	Am. Fav.	Bb/A
38381	1903	Cornet	Surprise	Bb
38412	1903	Cornet	Importer	Eb
38448	1903	Trombone	Surprise	
38554	1903	Tenor	Standard	Eb [Farrar]
38717	1903	Cornet	Standard	Bb

38875	1903	Alto	Standard	
38498	1903	Trombone	Am. Fav.	Valve
39228	1903	Cornet	Surprise	Bb
39966	1903	Cornet	Am. Fav.	Bb [Farrar]
1904 Catalog has American Favorite cornet, Perfected cornet, Premier cornet, New Specialty cornet, Surprise Cornet, trombone & trumpet-cornet, and Victor cornet and trombone				
40141	1904	Cornet	Am. Fav.	Bb; DWK
40288	1904	Cornet	20 th Cen.	Bb
40313	1904	Mellophone	Imperial	Phil.; Importer
40437	1904	Cornet	Am. Fav.	Bb
40462	1904	Trombone	Am. Fav.	Bb valve; Phil.; no Son [NMM]
40804	1904	Trombone	Perfected	Eb Alto valve
41041	1904	Cornet	Surprise	Bb; said to be from 1904
41068	1904	Trombone	Am. Fav.	
41174	1904	Cornet	Standard	Bb
41228	1904	Trombone	20 th Cen.	Tenor
41336	1904	Trombone	Surprise	valve
41431	1904	Cornet	20 th Cen.	Bb
41624	1904	Baritone	Standard	Bb [Farrar]
42061	1905	Cornet	Am. Fav.	Bb; Phil.
42417	1905	Cornet	20 th Cen.	Bb
42616	1905	Trombone	Surprise	valves
42661	1905	Trombone	Am. Fav.	valves

43282	1905	Cornet	Am. Fav.	Bb
43315	1905	Trombone	Am. Fav.	
43461	1905	Sousaphone	Am. Fav.	Eb rain catcher style; 17.75" bell
43687	1905	Trombone	Perfected	Tenor; 7" bell
44015	1906	Alto	Standard	
44085	1906	Cornet	Surprise	Bb
44142	1906	Cornet	Am. Fav.	Bb
44523	1906	Cornet	Courtiere	Bb; DWK; Courtiere Paris Pepper Importer Phila.
44666	1906	Cornet	Surprise	Bb; DWK
44992	1906	Cornet	Perfected	Bb/A
45479	1906	Cornet	Am. Fav.	Bb/A
45708	1906	Alto	Standard	Eb Solo
45840	1906	Trombone	Perfected	Eb valve [Farrar]
45892	1906	Cornet	Surprise	DWK; RLP; Phila. [Brass Players Museum]
46417	1907	Alto	Perfected	
46513	1907	Trombone	Perfected	Eb valve
46997	1907	Baritone	Perfected	
47653	1907	Mellophone	Am. Fav.	F/Eb/C
48092	1908	Cornet	Importer	Bb/A
48691	1908	Baritone	Importer	Bb [Farrar]
48724	1908	Trombone	Standard	Bb valve; Phil.; no Son
49059	1908	Trombone	Am. Fav.	
49066	1908	Trombone	Perfected	Eb valve

49307	1908	Cornet	Surprise	Bb [Farrar]
49313	1908	Alto	Standard	
49535	1908	Cornet	Perfected	Bb; SWK
49558	1908	Cornet	Surprise	Bb

1909 catalog has American Favorite cornet & trombone, 20th Century trombone; Premier cornet, trumpet & trombone, Specialty trombone, Surprise cornet & trombone, and Standard cornet, trombone, alto, baritone, mellophone, Helicon & tuba.

50039	1909	Trombone	20 th Cen.	Tenor
50045	1909	Cornet	Surprise	Bb
50277	1909	Cornet	Am. Fav.	Bb
50336	1909	Cornet	Am. Fav.	Bb; SWK; RLP; "8" on vlv 2 probably B&F pattern number
50501	1909	Tuba	Perfected	Eb [NMM]
50518	1909	Cornet	20 th Cen.	Bb; Z lead pipe; "Pepper & Son"
50583	1909	Baritone	Standard	Pepper only
50624	1909	Cornet	Surprise	Pepper only
50797	1909	Cornet	Courtiere	DWK; Bb/A w/C tuning slide; looks like B&F made
50835	1909	Cornet	Am. Fav.	Bb; SWK
50947	1909	Trombone	Surprise	Phil; no Son
51130	1909	Euphonium	Standard	same
51180	1909	Euphonium	Standard	same
51311	1909	Trombone	Am. Fav.	Same; 8.125" bell
51344	1909	Cornet	Am Fav.	Bb
51704	1909	Cornet	Surprise	Bb
51850	1909	Baritone	Perfected	

51934	1909	Mellophone	Am. Fav.	Phil.
51958	1909	Alto	Importer	
51974	1909	Mellophone	Standard	
52105	1910	Trombone	Surprise	valve
52127	1910	Cornet	20 th Cen.	Bb; Pepper only
	1910	name changes to JW Pepper & Son		
None	?	Cornet	none	Bb/A; Pepper & Son
None	?	Cornet	Perfected	Bb/A; York Perfec-Tone style probably B&F
None	?	Mellophone	Victor	Pepper & Son Phila.
2122	?	Cornet	Perfected	Pepper & Son; S lead pipe; "Czecho-Slovakia" on receiver
2198	?	Trumpet	Bb	Pepper & Son Phila. (serial # could be wrong)
52306	1910	Trumpet	Surprise	Bb; shepherd's crook bell
52359	1910	Tuba	Importers	Eb; "W. Hillyard London Pepper & Son Importer Phila."
52588	1910	Cornet	Perfected	Bb
53092	1910	Cornet	Standard	Bb; S lead pipe
53162	1910	Tuba	Perfected	Eb
53193	1910	Cornet	Surprise	Bb; Austria
53401	1910	Trumpet	Surprise	Bb; shepherd's crook bell
53457	1910	Trumpet	Surprise	Bb; same
53526	1910	Alto	Surprise	Eb
53648	1910	Cornet	Perfected	Bb
53708	1910	Cornet	Standard	Bb
53716	1910	Cornet	Importers	Bb; Austria

53588	1910	Cornet	Perfected	Bb
53708	1910	Cornet	Standard	Bb
53819	1910	Trombone	Surprise	
54907	1911	Cornet	Surprise	Bb
54939	1911	Cornet	Surprise	Bb
54971	1911	Cornet	Surprise	Bb
55133	1911	Cornet	Perfected	Bb, P&Son [Farrar]
55244	1911	Baritone	Perfected	
55329	1911	Tuba	Perfected	Eb
55954	1911	Trombone	Standard	
56181	1911	Alto	Importers	Eb
56387	1911	Cornet	Perfected	Bb; Austria
56397	1911	Cornet	?	Austria
56876	1911	Cornet	Am. Fav.	Bb/A; fixed lead pipe (FLP)
57035	1912	Cornet	Am. Fav.	Bb/A; removable lead pipe (RLP)
57157	1912	Cornet	Am. Fav.	Bb/A; FLP
57399	1912	Trombone	Perfected	“Austria”
57613	1912	Trombone	Importers	“France”
57928	1912	Cornet	Perfected	Bb/A; York Perfec-Tone style so probably B&F
58018	1912	Cornet	Perfected	Bb/A; York Perfec-Tone copy
58227	1912	Cornet	Am. Fav.	Bb/A; FLP
58247	1912	Alto	Standard	Eb
58286	1912	Alto	Importers	Eb

58468	1912	Trombone	Perfected	valve
58666	1912	Alto	Perfected	valve
58731	1912	Cornet	Am. Fav.	Bb/A; FLP
58854	1912	Baritone	Bb	[Farrar]
58936	1912	Euphonium	Perfected	double bell
58958	1912	Euphonium	Perfected	double bell
59145	1912	Tuba	Perfected	Eb
59383	1912	Trombone	Surprise	
59444	1912	Cornet	Courtiere	Bb; DWK; RLP
59458	1912	Trombone	Am. Fav.	
59555	1913	Cornet	Standard	
59565	1913	Cornet	Am. Fav.	C/Bb/A; RPL
59646	1913	Cornet	Perfected	Bb/A; York Perfec-Tone copy probably B&F
59875	1913	Cornet	Courtiere	Bb; DWK; RLP
59903	1913	Cornet	Perfected	Bb/A; "Austria"; B&F Perfec-Tone copy
60409	1913	Cornet	Standard	Bb, "Austria" on LP [Farrar]
60511	1913	Tuba	Perfected	Eb
60641	1913	Cornet	Am. Fav.	Bb; bell only
60679	1913	Trombone	Standard	valve
60681	1913	Cornet	Standard	Bb/A; Z lead pipe
60696	1913	Baritone	Surprise	
61018	1913	Trombone	Perfected	valves
61047	1913	Trombone	Am. Fav.	Slide; 7.5" bell

61077	1913	Euphonium	Perfected	
61091	1913	Cornet	20 th Cen.	Bb; RLP
61115	1913	Trombone	Standard	said to be marked "Made in France"
61178	1913	Trombone	Perfected	valves
61300	1913	Trombone	Perfected	valves
61615	1913	Mellophone	Courtiere	Eb
61712	1913	Cornet	Perfected	Bb/A; "Austria" Perfec-Tone copy by B&F
61713	1913	Cornet	Perfected	same
61785	1913	Trombone	Standard	valves
61896	1913	Helicon	Standard	Eb
62139	1914	Tuba	Perfected	Eb
62197	1914	Trombone	Surprise	
62200	1914	Trombone	Surprise	
62421	1914	Trumpet	Premier	Bb; shepherd's crook trumpet-cornet design
62542	1914	Trombone	Surprise	
62572	1914	Mellophone	Am. Fav.	
62665	1914	Trombone	Am. Fav.	P & Son; Phil. [NMM]
62688	1914	Cornet	Surprise	Bb
62727	1914	Cornet	Standard	Bb/A; Z lead pipe
63082	1914	Cornet	Standard	Bb/A
63075	1914	Cornet	Am. Fav.	Bb/A; Z lead pipe
63101	1914	Trombone	Perfected	valve
63367	1914	Trombone	Surprise	Italian style valve trombone

63405	1914	Trombone	Standard	valves
63406	1914	Trombone	Standard	valves
63429	1914	Cornet	Perfected	Bb [Farrar]
63460	1914	Cornet	Am. Fav.	Bb/A; Z lead pipe
63622	1914	Alto	Importers	“Austria”; Eb
63647	1914	Cornet	Surprise	Bb/A valve in alternate tuning slide; “Austria”
63682	1914	Trombone	Standard	“France 309” on slide
63723	1914	Cornet	Am. Fav.	Bb/A; Z lead pipe
63920	1914	Tenor	Eb	[Farrar]
64111	1914	Cornet	Perfected	C/Bb/A; York Perfec-Tone copy
64186	1914	Trombone	Am. Fav.	Bb valve, probable B&F mark on 2 nd valve [Farrar]
64424	1914	Cornet	Standard	Bb
64469	1914	Cornet	Standard	same
64543	1915	Alto	Standard	Eb; “B&F” on 2 nd valve
64663	1915	Cornet	Surprise	Bb; FLP; double tuning slide; 4-7/8” bell; 0.454” bore
65165	1915	Baritone	Standard	
65654	1915	Trumpet	Premier	tuning in bell crook
65742	1915	Trombone	Perfected	
65785	1915	Tuba	Eb	
65814	1915	Trombone	Premier	slide; embossed trim
64857	1915	Alto	Standard	P&Son; “1” & “Austria” [NMM]
65826	1915	Cornet	Am. Fav.	P&Son; parts horn only [ebay]
65885	1915	Cornet	Standard	fixed Z lead pipe

65985	1915	Cornet	Standard	same
65986	1915	Cornet	Standard	Bb/A; Z lead pipe
66036	1915	Cornet	Am. Fav.	C/Bb/A
66190	1915	Cornet	Perfected	Bb/A; Z lead pipe
66258	1915	Cornet	Surprise	shepherd's crook trumpet wrap
66530	1915	Tuba	Standard	Eb
66590	1915	Trombone	Perfected	slide with trill valve
66612	1915	Cornet	Surprise	
66758	1915	Cornet	Perfected	Bb/A; Perfec-Tone copy
66819	1915	Cornet	Perfected	Bb/A; same
67045	1916	Cornet	Importers	Bb; FLP w/2 slides; (2)SWK
67109	1916	Baritone	Importers	9.5" bell
67211	1916	Alto	Perfected	Eb
67259	1916	Alto	Perfected	Eb
67296	1916	Cornet	Perfected	Bb/A; Perfec-Tone copy
67313	1916	Cornet	Am. Fav.	Bb/A; Z lead pipe
67536	1916	Cornet	Am. Fav.	Bb; 2 nd valve marked B&F [Farrar]
68038	1916	Trombone	Am. Fav.	Slide
68095	1916	Cornet	Perfected	Bb/A; Perfec-Tone copy
68175	1916	Cornet	Surprise	Bb
68247	1916	Cornet	Am. Fav.	Bb/A; Z lead pipe
68317	1916	Trombone	Perfected	slide
68385	1916	Cornet	Specialty	Bb/A; Perfec-Tone copy

68386	1916	Cornet	Specialty	same
68420	1916	Euphonium	Perfected	9" bell
68682	1916	Trombone	Standard	
68941	1916	Cornet	Am. Fav.	Bb/A; Z lead pipe
69090	1916	Cornet	Standard	Bb/A; Z lead pipe
69106	1916	Helicon	Importers	Eb
69157	1916	Cornet	Surprise	Bb
69295	1916	Cornet	Surprise	Bb
69366	1916	Cornet	Perfected	Bb/A; Perfec-Tone copy
69496	1916	Band Horn	Standard	F/Eb [Farrar]
69825	1917	Cornet	Surprise	Bb
69852	1917	Baritone	Importers	
69856	1917	Bass	Eb	B&F marking [Farrar]
69961	1917	Trombone	Perfected	valve
70096	1917	Tuba	Perfected	Eb
70254	1917	Trumpet	Am. Fav	Bb/A
70301	1917	Mellophone	none	
70357	1917	Trumpet	Am. Fav.	C/Bb/A
70645	1917	Cornet	Surprise	Bb; "Czecho-Slovakia"

Consistent numbers until here then this large jump.

88648	1918?	Cornet	Am. Fav.	Bb; York "Improved Perfect" copy
89850	1918?	Trombone	Am. Fav.	valve

1918 Pepper ends all band instrument sales; perhaps in part to loss of Austrian source due to WWI