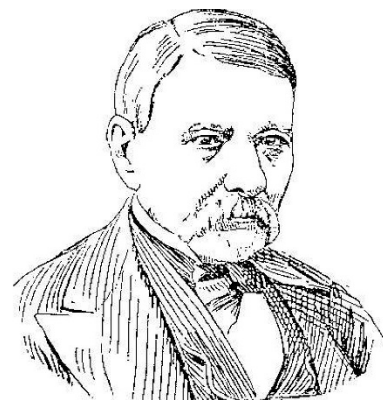


William Brown & Sons

London

- 1830 William Brown (photo 1) apprentices to flute maker Richard Garrett (NLI)
- 1833 Brown starts making cornets
- 1851 Established his own shop at #28 Allen St., London (NLI)
- 1873 moves to #9 Homer, 2 employees (NLI)
- 1883 moves to #2 Tracey St (NLI); serial numbers start at this location and are found up to over 8000
- 1893 working with three sons Charles William (b.1856), Francis (b.1866), and Arthur (b.1870) and two helpers; William dies this year
- c1900 Echo cornet #4320 (photo 2, Nick DeCarlis)
- 1911 moves 250 yards to #323 Kennington St. (NLI); this 1896 map below shows the Tracey St / Kennington intersection which today is completely altered; serial number 10108 on Courtois Arbuckle style cornet is lowest found with new address



- 1928 selling the "Brilliantone" cornet (model marked on #16240 & 16432, photo 3, a presentation cornet marked 1928) and New Radio trumpet

1928 Trumpet #16511 (auction photos below & top right)



1929 Trumpet #16805 (auction photo)



1929 presentation cornet #16987 is dated 1929 (below, Univ. of Edinburgh)



c1930 "Incomparable" model cornets #17137 & 17531

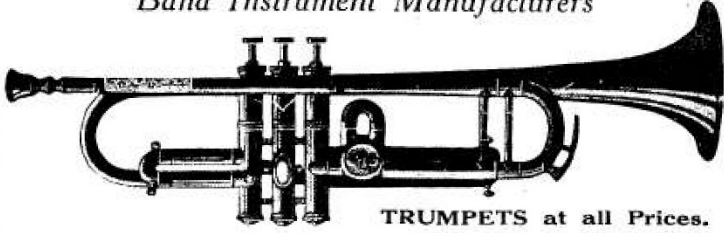


c1932 ad for New Radio trumpet, established over 80 years

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