

# Stephen T. Gordon

## New York City

- 1846 Stephen Gordon starts music business (*MTR*, Oct 1928)
- 1854 Stephen T. Gordon (1820-1890), pianos, #297 Broadway, NY; moved this year from CT (directory & census)
- 1858-1863 now at #706 Broadway, music & pianos (dir)
- 1864 Stephen T. Gordon, #538 Broadway, New York; music & pianos; now joined by Moses Slater (dir)
- 1866 both at #706 Broadway; they manufacture all their RV brass & German silver instruments (dir & advertisement)
- 1867-1868 Gordon & Slater, #706 Broadway & #41 Greene (dir)
- 1869 Slater leaves to join Martin (dir)
- 1873 now S.T. Gordon & Son, music & pianos, #13 E. 14<sup>th</sup> St, with son Hamilton S. Gordon (1846-1914) (dir)
- 1890 Stephen dies on December 21<sup>st</sup>
- 1892 Hamilton S. Gordon, pianos, #13 E. 14<sup>th</sup> & #37 9<sup>th</sup> Ave.
- 1896 Hamilton Gordon article in *Music Trade Review* shows that he was selling cornets made in Germany. The “High Grade”, the “Unexcelled”, which was the better of the two, and the “Kaiser” cornet (photo 1 next page) with short-action Courtois valves; store at #139 5<sup>th</sup> Ave
- 1900 Hamilton S. Gordon, merchant, Manhattan (census); #139 5<sup>th</sup> Ave, factory at #29 10<sup>th</sup> Ave (ad below from *Music Trade Review*, 1902)
- 1910 Hamilton S. Gordon, music publisher, East Orange, NJ (census)
- 1914 Hamilton Gordon dies (*MTR*, 1928)
- 1928 Hamilton S. Gordon Incorporated started by four sons at #33-35 East 21<sup>st</sup>; moved in Feb from #141 West 36<sup>th</sup> (*MTR*, Oct); sons Leslie (1878-1958), Hamilton (1881-1952), Clarence (1883-?) & Herbert (1884-1974)
- 1940 Leslie, Hamilton & Herbert; music publishers (census)
- Top 3 photos from 1866 catalog; bottom photo of “Gordon High Grade” cornet a stencil sold by son Hamilton; the style would suggest B&F of Austria ([Horn-u-copia.net](http://Horn-u-copia.net))



