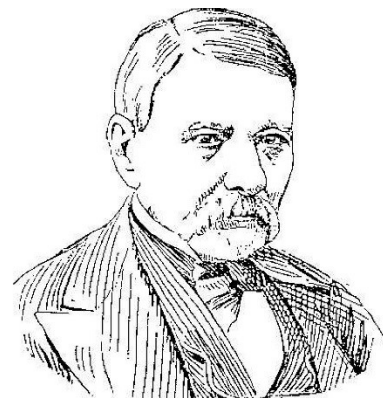


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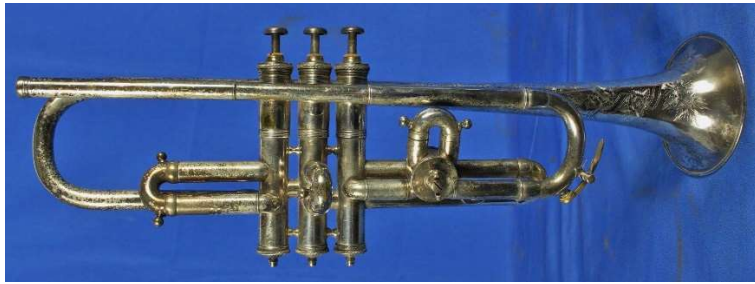
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- 1830 William Brown (photo 1) apprentices to flute maker Richard Garrett (*New Langwill Index*).
- 1833 Brown starts making cornets.
- 1851 Established his own shop at #28 Allen St., London (*NLI*).
- 1873 Brown moves to #9 Homer; 2 employees (*NLI*).
- 1883 Brown moves to #2 Tracey St (*NLI*). Serial numbers start at this location and are found up to over 8000.
- 1893 Brown is 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 Brown 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 Now selling the "Brilliantone" cornet (model marked on #16240 & 16432, photo 3, a presentation cornet marked 1928) and New Radio trumpet (ad).

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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