Klemm & Brothers

Philadelphia

- 1819 Klem starts a music store at #1 N. 4th St (*NLI*).
- 1823 John George Klemm (1795-18??) sold instruments made by G & A Klemm of Germany.
- 1824 Now at #3 S. 3rd St., J.G. Klemm, musical inst. maker.
- 1825 Move to #287-1/2 High St.; pianoforte factory started.
- 1831 Klemm & Brother, importer of musical instruments, pianoforte & music ware store, #287-1/2 High St.
- 1837 Klemm & Brothers, #287 Market St (dir).
- 1838 Manuf. & importer of Kent bugles & key & valve trumpets.
- 1840 #275 Market St., Klemm & Bros., importers of mi (dir).
- 1857 Klem moves to #705 Market St (dir).
- 1876 Frederick dies this year.
- 1880 Moves to #1427 Girard St (this address is John's residence in 1890). Edward listed as no occupation and George as retired importer (census).
- 1881 Moves to 227 S. 6th St.; E.M. & G.J. Klemm (dir).
- 1890 John George Klemm is shown at 227 S. 6th St but no occupation given; no Klemm & Bro. listed.
- 1896 #340-42 Philadelphia
- 1900 Neither surviving brother is in the instrument business.
- **John George Klemm:** (1795-?) listed in 1819-31; emigrates to Phila. in 1819 (Johan); no census records found
- **Frederick August Klemm:** brother of JG (1797-1876); emigrates to Phila. c.1815
- **John George Klemm:** son of FA (1836-1926), 1870: importer of musical inst.; 1880: retired importer; 1900: landlord
- **Edward Meinel Klemm:** son of FA (1839-1909); 1870: importer; 1880: no occ.; 1900: capitalist (census)
- **S. M. Klemm:** listed as a merchant in 1864 at 705 Market St. (this is probably an error, should be E.M.)
- Frederick Augustus Klemm: son of FA (1833-1853)

The dates of city directory listings above are incomplete and would require a more thorough search to find all the dates the different men worked.





