

Charles (Karl) Missenharter

New York City

1829 Karl Moritz Missenharter (photo 1) born in Ulm, Germany

1856-61 worked at father's brass inst. factory in Ulm (*NLI*)

1861-69 worked in Stuttgart (*NLI*); pocket cornet (photo 2, Missenharter.com) is from this factory

1869 Chas. Missenharter, mus inst, #186 1st Ave, NYC (dir)

1870 now at #88 3rd Ave, NYC (directory); first serial numbers probably start at 5000

1871-76 at #108 E. Houston St, NYC (dir)

1877-80 at #327 Bowery, NYC (dir)

1880 move to #204-208 E. 23rd St by July (ad in *NY Clipper*)

1881-92 at #204-208 E. 23rd St. (dir)

1891 sold business to Harry Coleman of Philadelphia in August; Charles to stay on for now to supervise production in NY (*Music Trade Review*)

1892 Coleman moved the factory to Phila. on October 21st (*Music Trade Review*)

1895 Harry Coleman dies at age 52 from a heart attack; 10,000 people lined the streets for the procession (news article)

1899 Charles Missenharter dies (obit)

1909 last ad found for Coleman store at #228 N. 9th St.; 1907 ad is looking for experienced brass worker

1912 Carl Fischer ad shows his location at #228 N. 9th so he must have bought Coleman out by then

1918 Fischer ad still shows him at #228 N. 9th; cornet #12009 is marked Philadelphia and may be from this era

1919 Fischer now gone from Philadelphia

1920 Carl Fischer in NY selling Missenharter Excelsior line of band instruments (ad)

1925 Carl Fischer in NY selling Besson & Missenharter cornets

Mouthpieces found are for cornet (this page), trombone & tuba.



Trombone mouthpiece from NY (photo 1)

Tuba mouthpiece from NY (photo 2)

