

BELLS IN AND AROUND BIRMINGHAM: A SURVEY AND HISTORY

(PART 3: APPENDICES)

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APPENDIX 1

Bells supplied to Birmingham traders for unspecified locations

Gillett & Johnston of Croydon and predecessors

Date	Supplied to	Diam	Note	Cwt.	Qrs.	Lbs.	Possible destination
1886	Scatchy & Co	24		2	2	16	Despatched 10 June 1886 (no.915)
1898	Hunt & Sons	24		2	3	23	
1906	Chance Bros	38		10	3	8	"Lighthouse Works" – Fog bell (no.2083)
1906	Chance Bros	38		11	0	14	"Lighthouse Works" – Fog bell (no.2084)
1909	Chance Bros	12		0	1	11	"Lighthouse Works" (no.2267)
1938	Chance Bros	43	F sharp	16	1	10	Chance Bros. Flange top. 728Hz (no.6023)

The order books clarify the reason for the supply of bells to Chance Bros. The relevant entries are as follows: 16 October 1906, Chance Bros & Co, Lighthouse Works, Smethwick, near Birmingham, One 10 cwt fog bell to drawing, One 10 cwt do, 16 parts copper 4½ parts tin, Named Chance Brothers and Co. Limited, Lighthouse Works, near Birmingham. To be cast in presence of representative who will take away a sample, estimated weights 11-0-8 and 10-3-14, actuals 11-0-14 and 10-3-8 (total 21-3-22), at £7 per cwt; 31 October 1906, Chance Bros & Co Ltd, Smethwick, Birmingham, 1 Revolving Machine to Drawing & Specification, workmanship & materials of highest possible quality, Driving shaft to make 2½ Revs. Per minute, to go 18 hours with once winding, fitted with "governor" to give an uniform motion net £12, spare spring extra; 6 March 1909, Chance Brothers & Co Ltd, Lighthouse Works, near Birmingham, 1 12" diameter bell, no fittings, the name Chance Brothers & Co Limited, near Birmingham, to be cast on bell. On rail, net £4. 20 March 1909, clapper & bolt to sketch £1; There is no order book for 1938

Order for clock bells for Walsh, Lovett & Co, 10 Ludgate Hill, Birmingham, for an eight-day turret clock striking hours on a bell of 8 cwt and quarters on 4 bells, bells 3¾, 4¼, 5, 6½ and 8 cwt. To be erected in a damp church. For export? [Bells for Walsh, Lovatt & Co 1882-4 listed in Vol.0 pp.42-44, 1. Five bells despatched 12 Dec 1882, 1 28 Sept.1882 no.588 26" 3-0-2, 2 24 Oct.1882 no.595 28¼" 3-3-17, 3 24 Oct.1882 no.594 30½" 4-2-26, 4. 28 Aug.1882 no.579 34" 6-1-16 and 5. 24 Oct.1882 no.593 37" 7-3-19

Another set for Walsh, Lovett & Co, 1884, listed in Vol.0 pp.50-51 - for shipment to Calcutta, despatched 5 August 1884 (*sic*), 1 May 1884 no.745 26½" 4-0-17, 2 6 Aug.1884 (*sic*) no.754 27½" 4-0-0, 3 6 Aug 1884 no.751 29" 4-1-4, 4 May 1884 no.731 32" 6-2-24, and 5 6 August 1884 no.755 35¼" 8-0-12

Mears & Stainbank of Whitechapel and predecessors

5 August 1837 – F. (*sic*) Hiley Esq, Builder, Birmingham. To a Bell 4-0-27 £29.13.9, Clapper 14s, Stock, Wheel, Ironwork £5.5.0, total £35.12.9

17 August 1837 – E.V. Wilkes [Birmingham], Bell 1-0-4½ £6.15.11, and clapper 7s, £7.2.11

22 Sept. 1837 – Charles Wilson & Sons, Birmingham. To a Bell 2-3-22, £18.11.3, Clapper 12s.

13 Nov. 1839 – D.R. Hill Esq, Birmingham. To a Bell 0-2-9 £4.1.3, Clapper, Stock crane & neck &c, £2.18.0

10 Sept. 1840 – Mr. E.V. Wilkes, Birmingham, To 1 Bell 4-0-23 @ 15½d £30.8.4, and clapper £1, £31.8.4.

27 October 1840 – B.H. Harris, Livery Street, Birmingham. To 1 Bell 4-3-23 £35.16.10½, and clapper £1, £36.16.10½

1 January 1841 – W & S Steen, Birmingham, bell 0-1-21 and clapper, £3.7.10

9 March 1841 – Hall & Wood, Birmingham. To a Bell 3-3-3 @ 16d £28.4.9. Clapper £1.0.0. Total £29.4.9

10 May 1841 – Mr. Bernard H. Harris, Birmingham. To a Bell 4-0-16 @ 15½d £29.19.4. Clapper £1.0.0. Total £30.19.4

24 July 1841 – Wilmot, Roberts & Daniell, Birmingham, bell 0-3-15 @ 15d, £6.3.9, clapper 3.9, total £6.7.9

22 March 1842 – Messrs. Jarratt, Wolverhampton. To a bell 2-0-6, £13.8.4, clapper 10s, stock wheel etc, £4.14.6, Casks & Case 18s, Wharfage etc., £1.10.0, £21.0.10

18 August 1842 – Mr. George Horton, Birmingham, To a Bell 7-3-17 £51.12.6, clapper £1, £52.12.6; Daybook 28 August 1842 – Mr. George Horton, Birmingham, By Cash £50. [index says "St.Lukes Birmingham, 1 7¾ cwt]

7 Dec.1842 – E.F. (*sic*) Wilkes, Birmingham, To a Bell 0-2-10 @ 15d, £4.2.6, clapper 3.6, £4.6.0; paid 12 Sept.1843

18 Sept.1843 – D.R. Hill Esq, architect, Birmingham, To a bell 0-2-16 £4.7.0, clapper 4s, £4.11.0

1 January 1844 – Messrs. Rabone Bros, Birmingham. Bells 0-1-22½, 0-2-5¾, 0-2-20¼ and 0-3-19¾, with clappers, £17.9.6

23 January 1844 – George Horton, Birmingham. To a Bell 1-3-27 £13.0.2, Clapper 10s.

1 July 1844 – Messrs. Branston & Gwyther, Birmingham. To a Bell 2-3-18 £19.0.4, clapper 12s. [*Probably for St.Paul's, Warwick*]

9 January 1845 – Messrs. Rabone Brothers, Birmingham. To 12 bells – five 16", 3 17", 2 18" and 2 19", total 13-3-21 [individual weights not given] £87.17.0 and clappers, total £91.18.0

22 March 1845 – Scholefield & Sons, Birmingham, two 11" bells 0-1-4¼ and 0-1-4, two 12" bells 0-1-12 and 0-1-12, two 13 each bells 0-1-23½ and 0-1-23¾ (both with clappers) total 2-0-23½, £14.6.11

5 June 1845 – W. & S. Steen, Birmingham. To a 24 inch bell 2-3-26 @ 14d £19.9.8, and clapper 14s.

23 July 1845 – H. Knight, Birmingham, To a Bell 5-0-18 @ 14d, £33.14.4, ironwork 15s, booking 1.6, total £34.10.10; paid 29 Aug. 1845

12 Feb. 1846 – E.V. Wilkes, Birmingham. To a 19 Inch Bell 1-2-20 @ 14d, £10.19.4, Clapper 8s, booking 4d, total £11.7.8

23 April 1846 – B.H. Harris & Co, Birmingham. To a Bell 2-3-4 @ 14d £18.4.0, clapper 10.6., total £18.14.6; paid 1 May 1846

16 May 1846 – William Udall & Co, 43 Bromsgrove Street, Birmingham. To a bell 8-2-15 @ £6/6/0 £54.7.11, clapper £1, £55.7.11

22 May 1846 – Joshua Scholfield & Sons. Various bells (12 in all from 15 to 20 inches diameter, largest 1-3-11 – with clappers), totalling 12-1-7, £82.3.5

12 June 1846 – W & S Steen, Birmingham. To a bell 3-0-2 @ 14½d £20.8.5, Clapper 14s, Wharfage etc 2s.

6 July 1846 – Messrs. Branston & Gwyther. To a 12 Inch Bell 0-1-10½ @ 15d £2.8.2

18 Sept. 1846 – E.V. Wilkes, Birmingham. To a 16 Inch Bell 0-3-16½ @ 14d £5.17.3, clapper 4.6.

16 Dec. 1846 – R.W. Winfield, Cambridge St Works, Birmingham. Bells and clappers marked with numbers, no.149 3-2-22, 150 3-2-8, 151 3-0-25, 152 3-0-22, 153 2-0-10½, 154 1-3-6 (total 17-2-9½) @ 14½d, total £122.15.10

31 May 1847 – Samuel Hiron, Paul Sq, Birmingham. By old bell 9-2-25 less staple and dirt 10 9-2-15 nett @ 10d £44.19.2; Daybook 17 July 1847 – Samuel Hiron, Paul Square, Birmingham. To a bell 8-3-25 @ 14d £58.12.6, clapper £1; paid £14.19.10 11 Sept.1847

20 Jan.1848 - Rabone Brothers & Co, Warwicks. To two 15" bells 1-1-8 and one 17" bell 1-0-11, all supplied with clappers. £17.17.9

29 January 1848 – J. Rae, Broad Street, Birmingham. To a 13 Inch Bell 0-1-23 @ 15d £3.3.9, clapper 3s.

21 March 1848 – Thos Short Junr, 1 Graham Street, Birmingham. To a Bell 2-2-24 @ £6/15/4 £18.7.4. Clapper 12s. Stock, crane neck etc £2.10.0. Cask and packing 7s.

24 March 1848 – Samuel Allport, Birmingham. To a Bell 5-0-1, clapper (no prices)

9 May 1848 – Samuel Allport, Birmingham. To a Bell 4-2-15 @ £6/15/4 £31.7.2, clapper £1, Cask packing and dock charges 12.6, freight cocket entry bills of lading and brokerage £2.14.4

6 June 1848 – Henry Knight, Birmingham. To a 15 Inch Bell, 0-2-20½ @ 14d £4.9.3, clapper 4s

7 September 1848 – Wilmot & Roberts, Birmingham. Bell 3-0-12, £18.2.6 and clapper 14s

25 Sept.1848 – C.S. & J. Daniel, 208 Moseley Street, Birmingham. Bell 2-0-20½ and clapper

4 Jan.1849 – James Bennett & Son, Worcester Wharf, Birmingham. To 1 18 Inch Bell 1-1-1½ @ 14d £8.5.1, clapper 9s.

16 August 1849 – S. Taylor, 282 Bradford St, Birmingham. To a 14 Inch Bell, 0-2-8¼ @ 14d £3.15.0. Clapper 0.3.6. [*possibly Hampton in Arden school bell*]

23 October 1849 – R.W. Winfield, Cambridge St Works, Birmingham. Three 19" bells (1-2-22½, 1-2-23 and 1-2-24 – total 5-0-13½) and three 20" bells (1-3-6½, 1-3-7½ and 1-3-13 – total 5-1-27), total 10-2-12½ with clappers, £67.18.3

25 Jan. 1850 – Wm. Woods (*sic*) & Sons, Birmingham. To a Bell 2-1-19 @ 13d £14.13.7. Clapper 12s. Stock, Ironwork, Crane Neck & Brasses £2.10.0; Daybook 10 Sept. 1850 – Woods & Son, Birmingham. Cash £17.15.7

15 Feb. 1850 – Charles Smith & Son, Birmingham, To a 13 Inch Bell 0-1-24¼ @ 13d £2.16.7, clapper 3s, a No.7 Bell plain 1¼ lbs 1s.4d, a do turned & lackd 1lb 2oz @ 1/10 2s.1d.; Daybook 20 April 1850 – cash £3.3.0

1 May 1850 – Robert Turner, Hampton Street, Birmingham. To a 13 Inch Bell 0-1-22 @ 14d £2.18.4, clapper 3s.; Daybook 23 June 1850 – cash £3.1.0

24 May 1850 – Rabone Brothers, Birmingham. To 1 11 Inch Bell 32¼ lbs @ 14d £1.17.8

2 August 1850 – C. Smith & Son, Gt. Charles St, Birmingham. To 1 16 Inch Bell 0-3-14½ @ 13d, £5.6.9, clapper 4s.6d.

29 August 1850 – Rabone Brothers & Co, 23" bell 2-2-25 and clapper, four 20" bells and clappers 1-2-22, 1-3-1, 1-2-16, 1-2-21

29 August 1850 – Rabone Brothers & Co, 23" bell 2-2-25 and clapper, four 20" bells and clappers 1-2-22, 1-3-1, 1-2-16, 1-2-21½, three 16" bells and clappers 0-3-19, 0-3-24, 0-3-20, total 12-1-8½, £77.13.1

4 November 1850 – Rabone Brothers & Co, To a Bell 11-1-9, do 5-3-7 (total 17-0-16) @ 6/6/- £108, 2 Clappers £2, 2 Casks & Packing £1.2.0.

21 Feb. 1851 – J. Rae, 150 Broad Street, Birmingham. To House Bells 1-0-22 @ 1/- £6.14.0, hamper 2s.6d.

3 March 1851 – Hodgkins & Booth, Birmingham, To a Set of 10 Chime Bells, Key F sharp, Tenor 14. 14s

1 April 1851 – J. Rae, Birmingham. To a 10½ Inch Bell 0-1-0½, @ 1/- £1.8.6

29 April 1851 – J. Talbut, 38 Church St, Birmingham. To a 16 Inch Bell 0-3-16¼ @ 1/- £5.0.3, clapper 5s.

29 July 1851 – G. Horton, 5 Ways, Birmingham, To a bell 0-1-25 @ 1/- £2.13.0, Clapper 3s.

2 Aug.1851 – J. Talbut, Birmingham, To 1 13 Inch Bell 0-1-24½ @ 1/- £2.12.6, 1 do 0-1-25¾, £2.13.6, filing up do 15s.

2 Aug.1851 – Hardwick & Sons, Bradford St, Birmingham. To a Chime of 3 Bells, 1-2-27, 2-1-12, 3-0-18 (7-1-1) @ 1/- £40.13.0, 3 clappers, 3 stocks wheels & ironwork, £14.10.0

15 Aug.1851 – John Meyer, Merchant, Birmingham, To a Bell 2-3-15 @ 1/- £16.3.0, Clapper Stock Ironwork Crane neck & Brasses £5, Cask and Packing 7s.d.

29 August 1851 – Joseph Talbut, Birmingham. To 2 10 Inch Bells 0-1-19¼, £2.7.3, 1 18 Inch Bell 1-1-14 @ 13d £8.6.10, Clapper 8s.6d.

17 Sept.1851 – E.T. Wilkes, By Old bell 2-1-21, less staple & dirt 3, 2-1-18 @ £4/4/- £10.2.6, charges 3.4; Daybook 30 Sept.1851 – E.J. Wilkes (*sic*) Lower Priors, Birmingham. To a Bell 2-2-1 @ 6/6/- £15.16.2, Clapper 12s.; Daybook 9 Oct.1851 – E.T. Wilkes, Birmingham – draft £4.15.0

22 Sept.1851 – Messrs. Rabone Brothers, To a Bell 2-2-3 £15.18.4¾, clapper 10.6, stock lever & brasses £2.15.0

6 Oct. 1851 – Wood & Sons, Birmingham. To House Bells 0-2-6 @ 13d £3.7.2, Basket 11d.

22 Oct. 1851 – J. Rae, Birmingham. To a 15 Inch Bell 0-3-8½ @ 13d £5-0-2, clapper 4s.6d.

17 Feb.1852 – J. Talbut, Birmingham. To a 14 Inch Bell 0-2-6½ @ 12½d. £3.5.1, clapper 3s.6d.

21 Feb.1852 – J. Wright, Saltley Works, near Birmingham. To 101 Bell Mouth Buffer Guides 3-3-15 @ 9½d £17.4.5.; Daybook 27 Feb.1852 – J. Wright, Birmingham, To 101 Buffer guides 3-3-18 @ 9½d £17.6.9; Daybook 15 April 1852 – J. Wright, Birmingham, By 21 buffer guides 0-2-13 and 21 buffer guides 0-3-15½; Daybook 6 June 1853 – J. Wright, Saltley Works. To 141 Castings 5-3-16 £33

20 May 1852 – J. Talbut, Birmingham. To a 13 Inch Bell 0-1-24 @ 12½d £2.14.10. No clapper

6 July 1852 – Rabone Brothers & Co, To 1 12 Inch Bell, 2 11 Inch do 0-3-22¼ @ 14½d £6.8.1

22 Nov. 1852 – Rabone Brothers & Co. To a Bell 1-2-27½ @ 15½d £12.12.6, clapper 10.6, stock ironwork crane neck & brasses £2.10.0, cask packing & Wharfage 8s.6d.

11 December 1852 – S.Thomas, Birmingham, To A 13 Inch Bell 0-1-24-10 @ 15d £3.5.9

24 January 1852 – H.A. Holden, 96 Suffolk Street, Birmingham. To a Bell 3-0-19, a bell 2-3-19, and "a bell sent to Bristol" 2-0-11 (total 8-0-21) all with clappers. Bells £57.6.3, clappers 14s, 14s and 0s.6d.

24 May 1853 – H.A. Holden, 96 Suffolk Street, Birmingham. To 4 no.15 Bells handles @ 17/6 £3.10.0, hamper 1s.8d.

23 June 1853 – A. (*sic*) Knight, Ann Street, Birmingham. To a bell 2-3-25, 15d, £20.16.3

2 Sept. 1854 – E.V. Wilkes, Birmingham. To a 17 Inch Bell 1-0-7 @ 7/10/0 nett £7.19.5, clapper 7.6.

2 May 1855 – J. Scholefield & Sons, Birmingham. To a set of 49 Hand Bells, complete chromatic scale, Tenor 25 in G, £22.5.0, cask and packing 7s.6d.

5 June 1855 – W & S Steen, Bradford Street, Birmingham. To a 16 Inch Bell 0-3-18½ @ £8/8/0 £7.13.9, Clapper 7½ off 5s.; paid by draft (£7.18.9), 16 Nov.1855

21 June 1855 – Charles Maschwitz Junr, 18 New Hall Hill, Birmingham. To a 15 Inch Bell 0-2-18¼ @ 16½d and clapper (4s), a 13 Inch Bell 0-1-22 14oz and clapper (3s), a 10½ Inch Bell 26lbs 6oz, total 1-1-11 8oz £10.8.4.

9 October 1855 – Rabone Bros, six 18" bells (weights given – total 7-3-10³/₄) and six clappers, and four 21" bells (weights given – total 8-0-9¹/₂) and four clappers

28 January 1856 – W & S Steen, Birmingham. To a 20 Inch Bell 1-3-6¹/₂ @ £8/8/0 £15.3.9, Clapper 10s.6d

19 February 1856 – Udal & Symons, 43 Bromsgrove St, Birmingham. To 4 sets of 4ea Lattin Horse Bells 14lb 14oz £1.19.8, Basket and carriage to Yeovil

27 May 1856 – J. Wilson, Soho Hill, near Birmingham. To a Bell 2-1-17 @ £7/18/8 £19.1.1, clapper 10s.6d. [possibly Birmingham, St.Matthias]

12 June 1856 – W & S Steen. By old bell 1-1-1, staple & dirt 2lb, 1-0-27 @ £6/8/0 £7.18.0;
5 July 1856 - 1856 – W & S Steen, Birmingham. To a 17 inch Bell 1-0-6³/₄ @ £8/8/0 £8.18.2, New wood & leather to clapper 2s.6d, A Wheel for Bell £2

19 Sept. 1856 – S. Booth & Co, Birmingham. To a 17 Inch Bell 1-0-21¹/₂ @ 16¹/₂d £9.3.7, Clapper 7.6, Basket & Wharfage 3s

29 Sept. 1856 – S. Briggs, Birmingham. To a 17 inch Bell 1-0-4 @ 18d £8.14.0, Clapper 7s.6d.

9 June 1857 – E.V. Wilkes, Birmingham. To a Bell 2-2-4 @ £8/8/6 £21.6.0, Clapper 12s.6d.

1 July 1857 – B.H. Harris, Livery St., Birmingham. To a Bell 5-0-16 @ £8/8/0 £43.4.0. Clapper £1

1 February 1858 – Muntz & Co, Patent Brass Tube Works, French Walls, Near Birmingham. To a Bell 3-0-1 @ £8/8/0 £25.5.0., Clapper 16s, Stock, Wheel, Ironwork & Brasses £5.5.0.

7 August 1858 – S. Briggs, 329 Bradford Street, Birmingham. To a 17 Inch Bell 1-0-7³/₄ and clapper

14 May 1862 – B & H Thompson, 152 Great Charles Street, Birmingham – bell 8-3-20 and clapper, £67.16.6

7 May 1867 - Henry Elwell, Charlotte St, Birmingham, To 3 Bells 3-3-8, 4-1-21, 5-0-9, total 13-1-10 @ 7/0/0 £93.7.6., 3 clappers £3, Packing & delivering bells £1.10.0, total £97.17.6

April 1897 – Willis, Birmingham. Bell with Doncaster head, 29¹/₈ 5-0-7

John Taylor & Co. of Loughborough

Undated entries in old notebook, but all c.1838-1842

Birmingham: Bell 47¹/₄", 17-0-25, replacing an old bell of 17-2-24 – c.1841

Small bells

25 November 1872 – Mr. Selby, Birmingham, bell 22¹/₂" diameter, 2-3-6

November 1881 – Birmingham, 12¹/₄" diameter [weight not given] inscribed SANTA ISABEL

March 1885 – Birmingham, Scholfield, Goodman & Sons, 24" bell, 4-0-4

Rabone Bros, Broad Street, Warwicks: Two bells - forwarded 17 July 1908. Diameters 23" and 34⁵/₁₆", weights 2-2-25 and 8-1-1. Supplied with elm stocks and clappers. Inscriptions (the same on both) were OBSEQUIO DEL SR. CORONEL, JOSÉ SALTOS / AD TEMPLO DEL

SEÑOR DE LOS MILAGROS / DE LA VILLE DE "DAULLE", / EL 14 DE SETIEMBRE DE 1908. / SIENDO CURA PÁROCO, EL DOCTOR VIRGILIO ASTUDILLO. Taylors' inscription book also notes, smaller (24") for PONCE and larger (34") for MERCEDES / 1908

John C. Wilson, Glasgow (records at Glasgow University Archives – UGD 17 etc)
21 Sept.1866, 22" bell, 236 lbs [2-0-12], no.902, supplied "without tongue" to Ed. Villers Wilkes, Birmingham
29 January 1924, 20" bell, 174 lbs [1-2-6], no.2810, supplied as a "turret bell with wheel mountings" to Parker Winder & Achurch Ltd, Birmingham

Other information on founders

Bellfounders listed in 1851 census (from 1851 census disk – *per* Anne Willis, May 2003)

- James Barwell
- William Blews (father) and William H.M. Blews (son)
- John Evans, 104 & 105 Moland St, Aston, aged 63, bell & brass founder; his sons John Evans (unmarried, 32) and William Henry Evans (unmarried, 27), both bell and brass founders, born at Aston
- Samuel Marklew, 17 Court No 1 Windsor St, Aston, aged 43, brass founder, and his son Joseph Marklew, aged 18, bell founder

Directory entries (directory dates in brackets) concerning the above

- Allport, Samuel, jeweller and watch and clock maker, 83 Bull St (1846)
- Bennett, James & Son, stone masons, Worcester Wharf (1850)
- Booth, S & Co, factors, King Edward's Road (1854)
- Briggs, Samuel, builder [etc], Bradford Street (1850s)
- Daniel, Charles & Samuel & James, brass founders, 208 Moseley Street (1850)
- Hall & Wood – not identifiable (1841-2)
- Harris, Bernard H, brass founder, and agent to the Alliance Assurance Office, 198 Livery Street (1841); B.H. Harris & Co, metal merchants and refiners, 81 Paradise (1863)
- Hill, Daniel R, architect and surveyor, 25 Waterloo Street (1842)
- Hiley, F – not mentioned 1835, 1841, 1842
- Hiron, Samuel, die sinker, seal engraver, medallist, press & tool maker, stamper, piercer, page embosser and envelope maker, 52 St.Paul's Square (1845)
- Knight, Henry, mechanical engineer and manufacturer of church, turret and house clocks, 15 Ann Street (1845); clock maker, 15 Ann Street (1850)
- Rabone Brothers & Co, merchants, Broad Street, Easy Row (1845, 1850)
- Rae, J – not mentioned 1846, 1850
- Scholfield, Joshua & Sons, merchants, Minorities (1845)
- Short, Thomas junior, commission merchant, 1 Graham Street (1846); merchant, 2 Temple Row West (1850)
- Steen, William and Samuel, merchants and factors, 98 Bradford Street (1841, 1845)
- Udall, William & Co, cast & stamp brass founders and general factors, 43 Bromsgrove Street (1846)
- Taylor, S – not mentioned 1846 or 1850 [but S. Briggs, builder, later at same address]
- Thompson, B and S H, merchants, 152 Great Charles Street (1863)
- Wilkes, Edward Villers, coppersmith, dealer in metals, pewterer and factor, Lower Priory (1845)
- Williams, Charles – not identifiable (1835-1842)
- Wilmot, Roberts & Daniel, factors and merchants, 4 Summer Row (1842) [*see also* later entries for Daniel and for Wilmot & Roberts]
- Wilmot & Roberts, factors, 4 Summer Row (1850)
- Winfield, Robert Walter, original patentee and manufacturer of metallic bedsteads and chairs, gas fittings tubes and general brass founders, Cambridge Street Works, Cambridge Street, Easy Row (1845)

- Wood, William & Sons, merchants, 12 Bath Street (1850)

APPENDIX 2 – Birmingham founders

In his book *Musical Handbells – A Comprehensive History of the Bells and their Founders* (Phillimore, 2000) William Butler gives a thorough account (Chapter 14 – pp.96-102) of “Founding in Birmingham”. This covers the brassfounders and manufacturers of small bells as well as the larger firms – Blews, Barwell and Carr – who made church bells.

Bells that may have been made by unidentified Birmingham founders (*from memory – check all these*)

1834	Hockley Heath	Warwicks	
1836	Amington	Warwicks	
1838	Goldicote House	Warwicks	
1846	Moor Abbey	Herefs	
1849	Stockton	Worcs	Just dated 1849 [Mears]
1849	Yardley Wood	Worcs	[no – present bell supplied 1896]
1859	Smethwick, St.Paul	Staffs	
1860	Harborne, St.John	Staffs	
1862	Spennall	Warwicks	Blank
1864	Amington	Warwicks	Blank
1867	Sparkbrook, Christ Church	Warwicks	Just dated 1867
1871	Balsall Common	Warwicks	Blank
1879	Wribbenhall	Worcs	Probably Mears

Note from Eric Speake in a letter dated 20 March 1979 reporting a 16” bell at Gentleshaw, near Cannock, by James Barlow. Church 1839-1847. West's Warwickshire Directory of 1830 p.307 and PO Directory 1845 both list (under Birmingham, Brass founders): Barlow, James - tea and house bell founder, tea urn and brass candlestick manufacturer, Staniforth Street, Birmingham

Press coverage of Blews's first efforts (1867) includes mention of small bells cast by other firms, including Dowler

CHURCHES NOT YET INCLUDED

The following churches outside the City area but within the Diocese of Birmingham may fall outside the scope of this published version of the survey – as may some of those noted above. They are included here for future reference and possible incorporation

AMINGTON
 AUSTREY
 BADDESLEY CLINTON
 BADDESLEY ENSOR
 BALSALL COMMON
 BARSTON
 BAXTERLEY
 BENTLEY HEATH
 BENTLEY in SHUSTOKE
 BICKENHILL
 BIRCHMOOR

CATHERINE DE BARNES
CHADWICK END
CHESSETTS WOOD
COLESHILL
CURDWORTH
DORDON
DORRIDGE [text already included above]
DOSTHILL
ELMDON [text already included above]
FREASLEY
GRENDON
HAMPTON IN ARDEN
HOCKLEY HEATH
HURLEY
KINGSBURY
KINGSWOOD
KNOWLE
LAPWORTH
LEA MARSTON
MAXSTOKE
MEREVALE
MIDDLETON
MINWORTH, St.George
NETHER WHITACRE
NEWTON REGIS
NUTHURST
OVER WHITACRE
PACKWOOD
POLESWORTH
SALTER STREET
SECKINGTON
SHIRLEY
SHUSTOKE
SHUTTINGTON
TANWORTH IN ARDEN
TEMPLE BALSALL
UMBERSLADE BAPTIST CHURCH
WARTON
WATER ORTON
WISHAW
WOOD END